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MEMORANDUM

TO: CVSWMD Member Municipalities
FROM: Cathleen Gent, General Manager
DATE: October 12, 2020

RE: CVSWMD FY22 Preliminary Budget and Per Capita Assessment – Public Hearing

Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District (CVSWMD) is holding a public hearing remotely on Monday, October 26th at 4 PM to take public comments regarding the preliminary FY22 budget and capital assessment. Comments may also be made in writing until Thursday, October 29th at noon. Information is attached about attending the public hearing, along with details about the preliminary budget and options for offering comments.

Please note that the per capita assessment for member municipalities is set at \$1 per person for FY22. This rate has been in place for numerous years, with the exception of FY21. In June, the CVSWMD Board reduced the per capita assessment rate to \$.50 for FY21 in response to the COVID-19 financial challenges anticipated for this year. Looking ahead to FY22, which begins in July 2021, the Board of Supervisors is optimistic that grant and regular revenue streams will again be available to municipalities so that the \$1 per capita assessment can be maintained. Should that not be the case, the Board of Supervisors will consider moving the per capita assessment to a lower rate before adopting the final FY22 budget in May or June of 2021. Municipal officials are encouraged to comment on the municipal per capita assessment or any other aspect of the budget.

Please note that CVSWMD continues to work toward the purchase of land and construction of the Household Hazardous Waste collection facility. The FY22 budget will be adjusted as that project takes shape. CVSWMD will communicate with member municipalities with any budget changes associated with that project.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about the FY22 budget or CVSWMD programming.

Thank you for your ongoing partnership with CVSWMD!

Public Hearing Notice

CVSWMD Hearing on Per Capita Assessment

and Preliminary FY 2022 Budget

Monday, October 26, 2019, 4:00 pm

Zoom Meeting ID: 880 2584 1101

Zoom Meeting Password: 878765

Zoom Meeting Call-In Number: +1 929 205 6099 US

Login at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88025841101?pwd=MjdrWDNocmk5dkZmODZJL1J6L2N0Zz09>

Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District (CVSWMD) will hold a hearing to take public comments and discuss the per capita assessment and the preliminary draft budget for fiscal year FY2022 (beginning July 1, 2021).

There is no proposed change in the FY22 Per Capita Assessment of member towns. Copies of the FY2022 preliminary draft budget summary are available by appointment at the CVSWMD office at 137 Barre Street from 8 AM to 4 PM, Monday-Friday, on our website cvswmd.org or by email, below.

Written comments on the budget, per capita assessment, and programs are welcome until noon, on Thursday, October 29, 2020. Comments may be sent by email to administration@cvswmd.org or US mail: 137 Barre St, Montpelier VT 05602.



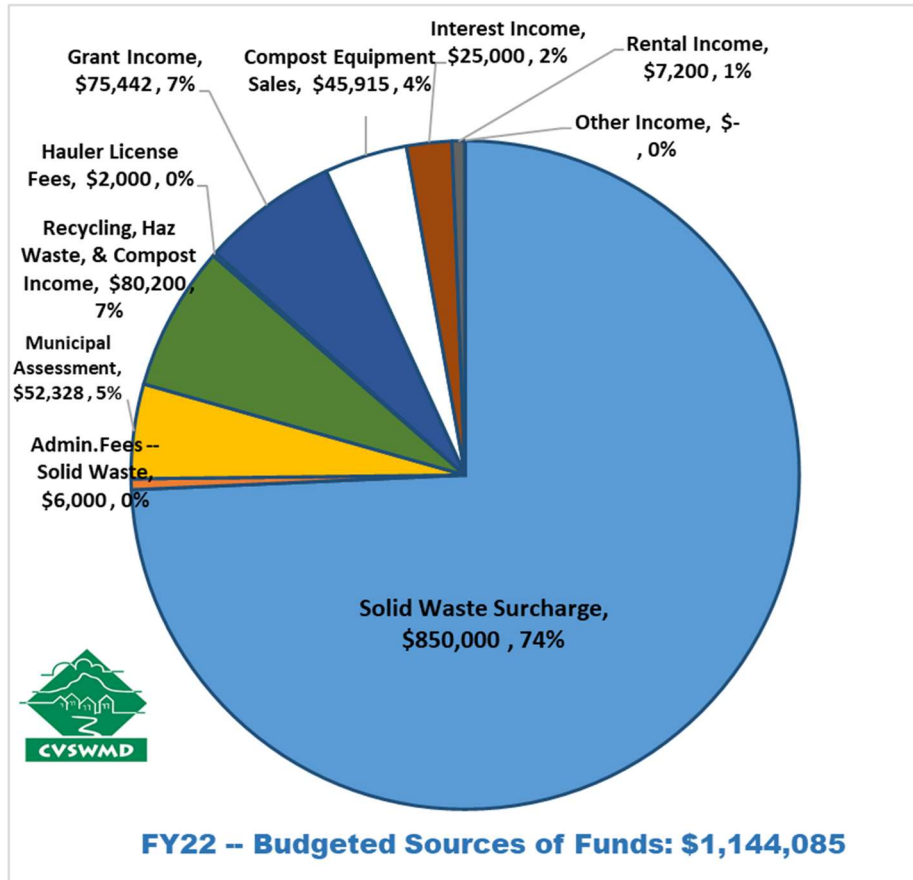
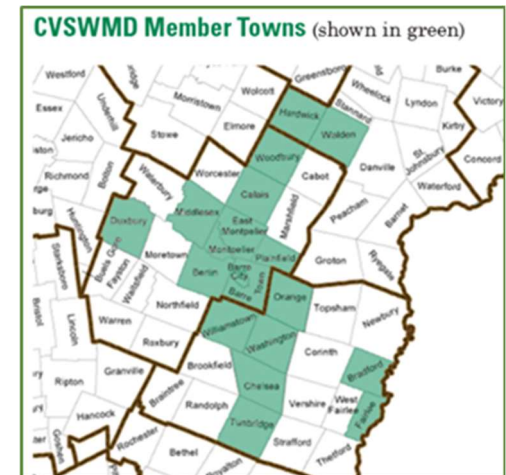
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FY-2022 Budget Summary

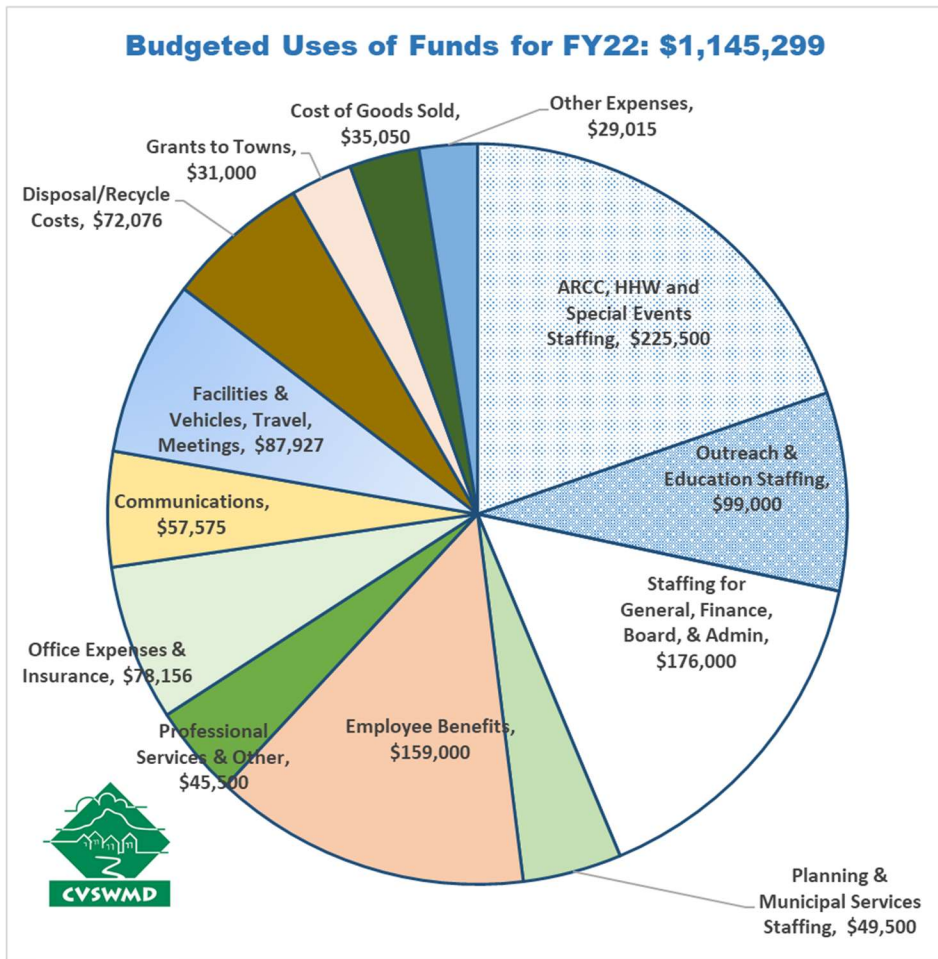
The Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District is a union municipality, created by the General Assembly for the “purpose of providing for disposal of solid waste generated by member municipalities and their residents. The means of disposal may include collection, transportation, resource recovery, recycling, land disposal, or any combination of theseⁱ.” CVSWMD is one of more than a dozen solid waste management entities recognized by the State of Vermont, and consists of 19 member municipalities. CVSWMD member municipalities will pay a yearly assessment of \$1 per resident, in FY20, totaling less than 5% of our annual budget. For FY21, the CVSWMD Board of Supervisors reduced the per capita assessment to \$.50 (fifty cents) per person in recognition of the COVID-19 related potential financial challenges faced by member municipalities. The Board may reduce the level again to \$.50 in the final version of the FY22 budget, depending on the course of COVID-19.

The largest source of CVSWMD income (74%) comes from the surcharge assessed on all solid waste generated in member



communities, and paid through fees charged by commercial haulers. Other income sources are State and Federal grants, fees on disposal of Construction/Demolition waste, user fees for processing Household Hazardous Waste, income from reprocessing recyclable materials, and user fees at our Additional Recyclables Collection Center (ARCC) in downtown Barre City, Vermont.

Information on the following page provides a breakdown of all CVSWMD expenses into traditional financial categories. CVSWMD has 8 FTE (full-time equivalent) and 6 part-time staff, including officers and administrative, communications, and operations staff. CVSWMD provides grants to member municipalities, contracts for a range of professional



services and materials transfer services, and has an active outreach and citizens’ awareness program as part of the District’s **Solid Waste Implementation Plan**, which we are required to submit to the State of Vermont – see <http://www.cvswwd.org/our-plan.html> for details.

COVID-19 is having an impact on program delivery during FY21 and may continue to do so in FY22. The FY22 budget is not built on any assumptions that COVID-19 adjustments will be needed, but the Board of Supervisors will consider that factor before the budget is finalized in May or June 2021.

Disposal of hazardous waste, recycling of materials, and other CVSWMD activities all have costs, as does managing the programs administratively. CVSWMD strives to provide the public with high quality outreach and education CVSWMD staff work with all the public schools in the District to support environmental education and composting. CVSWMD continuously works to increase our efficiencies and lower cost to District residents for our programs. CVSWMD is currently developing a Household Hazardous Waste facility in central Vermont. Upon securing a site and finalizing an operating budget for a permanent facility, CVSWMD will revise the FY22 budget to expand Hazardous Waste collection services.

ⁱThe CVSWMD charter can be viewed at <http://legislature.vermont.gov/statutes/fullchapter/24APPENDIX/403>