

What do my property taxes pay for?

Learn about what services and programs you get for your taxes by first looking at how taxes are calculated based on the median residential assessment value and the tax rates. Take a look:

\$206,760

Kenora's single detached residential home assessment value

2024 taxes collected based on \$206,760

\$3,112

This is the amount needed to provide municipal services and programs, as well as for payments to school boards and other community service providers.

**General tax rate
0.01352555**

\$2,796

Paid to the municipality

**Education tax rate
0.00153**

\$316

Paid to school boards

The \$2,796 tax dollars collected are then shared between the City of Kenora and other community service providers.

**City of Kenora
\$1,950 or 70%**

\$ 663	Transportation -bridges and road maintenance, paved and gravel roads, sidewalks, culverts, street lights
\$ 479	Recreation and Culture -parks, recreation facilities, library, museum, art centre
\$ 316	General Government -HR, finance, IT, clerks, Mayor and Council
\$ 292	Protection \$ 222 Fire Services \$ 70 Other - By-law enforcement, building inspection, facilities, property management, emergency measures, 911 emergency access, Police Services Board
\$ 172	Planning and Development -tourism, economic development, building, planning
\$ 20	Recycling
\$ 8	Cemetery Operations

**External Organizations
\$846 or 30%**

\$ 408	Ontario Provincial Police
\$ 256	Kenora District Services Board \$113 Land Ambulance \$108 Social Housing \$ 20 Ontario Works \$ 15 Childcare

\$ 134 Pinecrest Home for the Aged

\$ 48 Northwestern Health Unit

Note: amounts reflect gross expenditures

Services NOT covered by tax dollars:

- water and wastewater services
- garbage (solid waste) collection and disposal

These services are funded by user fees (bag tags, water usage) and other sources of funding from Provincial or Federal Governments.



Final Tax Due Date: July 26, 2024

Property tax questions?
Contact Tax Collector at 807-467-2034
or propertytax@kenora.ca

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From the Tax Collector's Desk

Here are some common questions and answers about Property Taxes

What are property taxes?

Property taxes are levies imposed by local governments to fund public services and infrastructure, such as roads, parks, emergency services, etc.

What happens if I don't pay the full balance on my tax bill by the due date?

Failure to pay property taxes can result in penalties and interest. Ontario municipalities charge a total of 1.25% on the total arrears.

What is a pre-authorized payment plan?

A Pre-Authorized Payment (PAP) plan allows the City of Kenora to withdraw funds directly from your bank account to pay the upcoming tax bill.

What types of Pre-Authorized Payment (PAP) plans does the City offer?

The City offers two types of PAP plans: monthly and semi-annual.

The monthly option is financed over 11 months and runs from September to July annually. Withdrawals occur on the 15th of every month. The semi-annual plan occurs twice a year, the full lump sum is withdrawn on tax due date.

I just received my Tax Bill. Can I register for a payment plan?

The monthly plan is unavailable during a billing period. Once you pay the balance off in full, you are eligible to register. The semi-annual plan is available to ratepayers.

Who is MPAC and what do they do?

MPAC stands for the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation. They are a not-for-profit corporation that provides property assessments in Ontario. In return, municipalities use the MPAC valuation to calculate your property taxes.

Why am I required to pay education taxes when I don't have kids?

It is a Provincial mandate that all ratepayers are charged a portion of Education Tax. Municipalities must collect and remit payments to the appropriate school boards as per the provincial tax rates. Education taxes are essential to maintaining and improving the quality of public education.

How can I change my direction of school support?

School support is defaulted to the English Public Board. If you would like to change your support, an application for Direction of School Support must be completed and submitted to MPAC. Applications can be found at your local school board or through MPAC.

How to do I apply for a Pre-Authorized Payment plan?

To apply for a PAP plan, you must complete the Property Pre-Authorization Payment Form, along with a void cheque or the pre-authorized debit from your bank. Find the form on [Kenora.ca/Paying Property Taxes](https://kenora.ca/Paying-Property-Taxes) or at City Hall.

