

Town of Cornelius

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The Town

★ Municipality = city, town, village

★ In Mecklenburg County

- One city - Charlotte
- Six towns - Cornelius, Davidson, Huntersville, Matthews, Mint Hill and Pineville

★ No legal difference between a city, town or village – is preference of the residents

Cornelius

- ★ Incorporated in 1905

- Economy: Mills and farms
- Impacted by closing of mills, creation of Lake Norman, building of I-77 and growth of Charlotte

- ★ Population

- 25,000 citizens today

- ★ Area

- 15 square miles

Government

★ Town Board

- Mayor and Town Board of Commissioners
- Nonpartisan election every 2 years

★ Council-Manager Government

- Elected Town Board sets policies
- Professional Town Manager administers policies and manages town government

★ Code of Ordinances (local laws/rules)

<http://www.cornelius.org/index.aspx?NID=176>

Town services

★ Planning

- Zoning, planning and land use

★ Public Works

- Sidewalks, streets, garbage, recycling, stormwater

★ Parks & Recreation and Cultural Services

- Parks, athletics, arts programs, festivals

★ Public Safety

- Police, Animal Control
- EMS/Fire

★ Town Government

- Operations, Finance

Who runs the town?

The Mayor and Town Board



Elected, nonpartisan

- Mayor and Town Board
- Establishes priorities on community needs, sets policy, establishes the budget, levies taxes, creates ordinances

Town Manager

Anthony Roberts

and

- **Hired** by Town Board
- Responsible for daily operations of the town

Town Board Meetings

★ Town Board Meetings

- 1st and 3rd Monday each month
 - 7PM at Town Hall
- Who can attend? Anyone

★ Website: www.cornelius.org

★ Follow town government

- Meeting agendas and minutes
<http://corneliuspublic.novusagenda.com/>
- News <http://www.cornelius.org/CivicAlerts.aspx>



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www.cornelius.org

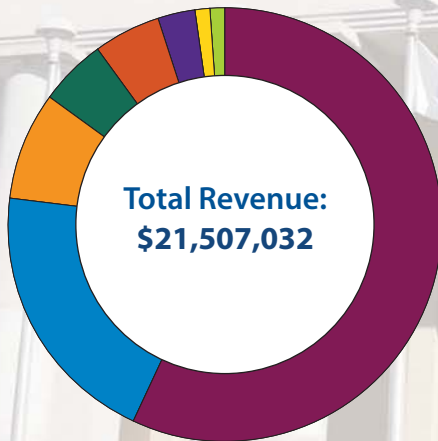
FY 2015-2016 Town of Cornelius County Budget Summary

FY 2016 Town of Cornelius

Tax Rate:

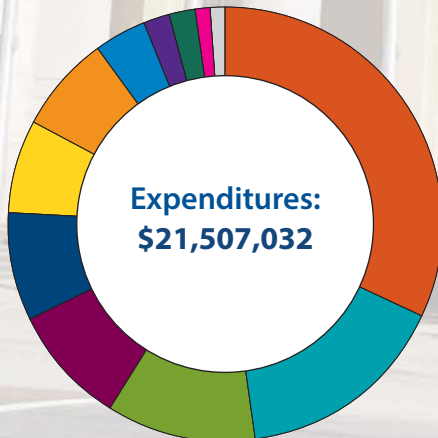
\$0.24 per \$100 of assessed value
(\$1.0557 combined with Mecklenburg
County rate)

Where the Money Comes From:



- 57% - Property Tax - \$12,329,702
- 20% - Shared Revenue - \$4,387,711
- 8% - Other Revenue - \$1,689,622
- 5% - Charges for Services and Fees - \$992,500
- 5% - Other Taxes - \$914,103
- 3% - Powell Bill - \$716,559
- 1% - Grants and Investments - \$263,150
- 1% - Appropriated Fund Balance - \$213,685

How the Money is Used:



- 32% - Police and Public Safety - \$6,795,417
- 16% - Debt Service and Capital Projects - \$3,428,240
- 11% - Parks and Recreation - \$2,301,455
- 9% - Solid Waste and Sanitation - \$1,904,822
- 8% - Fire and Rescue - \$1,817,644
- 7% - Administration and General Government - \$1,613,900
- 7% - Public Works - \$1,510,748
- 4% - Tourism and Culture - \$823,472
- 2% - Planning - \$544,942
- 2% - Powell Bill - \$479,500
- 1% - Storm Water - \$209,400
- 1% - Governing Body - \$77,492