

# YUMA COUNTY



## Popular Annual Financial Report

For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018

"Yuma County Government is dedicated to providing customer-focused service to enhance the health, safety, well-being and future of our entire Community"

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## MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

Dear Citizens of Yuma County,

The Yuma County- Financial Services Department is pleased to present our sixteenth Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR).

This report provides a summary of the County's financial information in a simple, easy to read format. We hope this report gives you a better understanding of County Government, local economic factors, and our financial condition.

Information in this report is taken from our 2018 Yuma County Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). The CAFR contains management's representations concerning the finances of Yuma County in the form of financial statements. The CAFR was prepared in conformance with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), was audited by Arizona State, Office of the Auditor General and received an unmodified opinion, the best audit opinion possible.

This Popular Annual Financial Report summarizes the financial activities of the primary government of Yuma County. The reports and statements contained within are condensed and simplified from our 2018 CAFR; containing all Yuma County governmental funds, based on GAAP, and account for all of Yuma County's expendable financial resources. Governmental funds seek to present and determine our financial position, not determine income. The modified accrual basis of accounting is used in this report, which means revenues are recognized when measurable and available, with expenditures recognized when incurred.

The Popular Annual Financial Report of Yuma County was introduced as a means of increasing public confidence in County government and its elected officials through easy, user-friendly financial reporting. The PAFR is unaudited; however, it is consistent with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and governmental reporting standards used in the CAFR preparation.

As you review this report, we invite you to share any questions, concerns or comments you may have. We also encourage you to review Yuma County's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, which is presented in the nature of full disclosure.

For more detailed information on the County's PAFR, CAFR, or other publicized financial reports; please visit our County's Administration Building, located at 198 S. Main Street; any of our County Libraries; or login to our County's website:

<https://www.yumacountyaz.gov/government/financial-services/reports>

Respectfully,



Gilberto Villegas Jr.  
Chief Financial Officer.



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### **Financial Services Department's Mission**

Our mission is to provide all customers with professional, courteous and reliable services that are timely, accurate and valuable. To improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the agency and its related functions in furnishing support, training, and financial information pertinent to determining the financial position of the County that is interesting, relevant, and user friendly.

## AWARD:



Government Finance Officers Association

## Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting

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**Yuma County  
Arizona**

For its Annual  
Financial Report  
for the Fiscal Year Ended

**June 30, 2017**

*Christopher P. Morill*

Executive Director/CEO

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) has given an Award of Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting to Yuma County for its Popular Annual Financial Report for fiscal year ended June 30, 2017. The award is a prestigious national award recognizing conformance with the highest standards for preparation of state and local government popular reports.

To receive the award, a governmental unit must publish a Popular Annual Financial Report whose contents conform to program standards of creativity, presentation, understandability and reader appeal. The award is valid for a period of one year only, and Yuma County has received the award for the past sixteen (16) consecutive years.

We believe our current report continues to conform to Popular Annual Financial Reporting requirements, and we are submitting it to the GFOA to determine its eligibility for another certificate.

## YUMA COUNTY, ARIZONA

Yuma County, bordered by California to the West and Mexico to the South, was founded in 1864 as one of the four original counties established by the first Territorial Legislature. It maintained its designated boundaries until 1983 when voters resolved to split Yuma County into La Paz County in the north and a “New” Yuma County in the south.

In 1540, just 48 years before Columbus stumbled upon the New World, 18 years after the conquest of Mexico by Cortez, and 67 years before the settlement of Jamestown, Hernando de Alarcon visited the site of what is now the City of Yuma. He was the first European to set foot in the area and to recognize the best natural crossing of the Colorado River.

From the 1850’s to 1870’s steamboats on the Colorado River transported passengers and goods to various mines, military outposts and served the ports of Yuma, Laguna, Castle Dome, Norton’s Landing, Ehrenberg, Aubry, Ft. Mohave, and Hardyville.

For many years, Yuma served as the ‘Gateway to the West’ bringing thousands from around the world in search of gold. In 1870 the Southern Pacific Railroad bridged the river and in 1915 the ‘Ocean-to-Ocean’ bridge became the first highway crossing the Colorado River

Yuma County’s 5,522 square miles of desert land accented by rugged mountains contains an abundance of arable land in its valleys, irrigated by the Colorado River. The diverse economy of Yuma County is based on a variety of agricultural, tourism, service, wholesale and retail industries as well as hosting two military installations. Government services is another of its principal industries for employment.

The ten principal employers are:

<b>Employer</b>	<b>Total Employment</b>
Yuma Union High School District	3,100
Yuma Proving Ground	2,382
Yuma Regional Medical Center	2,300
Yuma County	1,437
Yuma Elementary School District #1	1,400
City of Yuma	1,275
TRAX International	1,125
Arizona Western College	987
ACCT	900
Convey Health solutions	900
<b>Total County Employment</b>	<b>95,153</b>

Source: Greater Yuma Economic Development Corporation

During the winter months, population doubles with winter visitors affectionately known as ‘snow birds’.

Yuma County provides an ample range of governmental and community services. These services can be divided into two categories: mandated and optional. Mandated services are services the County is required to provide by either Federal or State legislative bodies. Optional services are services the County is not required to provide, but chooses to do so for the overall benefit of its citizens, as guided by the citizens.

Mandated: Superior and Justice Courts, Adult and Juvenile Probation/Detention, Law Enforcement, Public and Legal Defenders, Recording of Deeds, Indigent health and mental health care, Immunization and disease control, Sanitation inspections, Rabies and vector control, Treasury functions, Land use planning and zoning, Building code enforcement, Elections and Voter registration, School Superintendent, and Road maintenance.

Optional: Libraries, Parks, Solid waste collection, Improvement districts, New road construction, Cable TV franchise, AIDS / cardiovascular injury prevention programs, Flood control, Emergency management (other than for hazardous materials), Public housing, Economic development, and Job training.

Along with providing the standard County services such as administration, tax collection and roads, Yuma County also maintains the Jail District, Library District, Flood Control District, Health District and many Improvement Districts.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

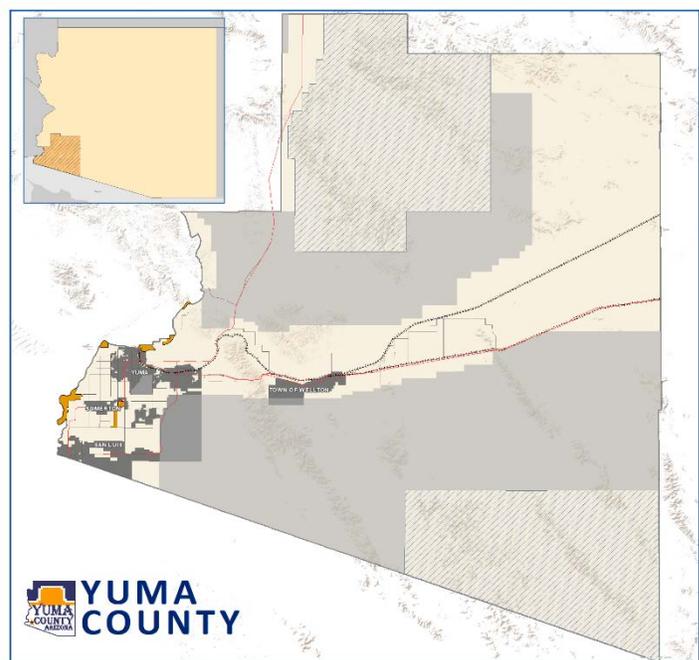


The governing body of Yuma County is the Board of Supervisors. A five-member Board of Supervisors (the Board) carries out the governmental and administrative affairs of the County. Each member is elected from a designated district to serve a four-year concurrent term. The Board members collectively select the chair.

The Board is empowered, by state law, to adopt ordinances, establish programs, levy taxes, appropriate funds, appoint officials, zone property and regulate development in the unincorporated areas of the County. In

addition, members represent the County on numerous intergovernmental agencies.

The Board is also responsible for establishing the policies of the County to provide guidance to the various County departments, and appointing a County Administrator who is responsible for the general administrative and overall operations of the various departments of the County. Additionally, the Board furnishes budget authority to all other County Elected Officials and the Court System.

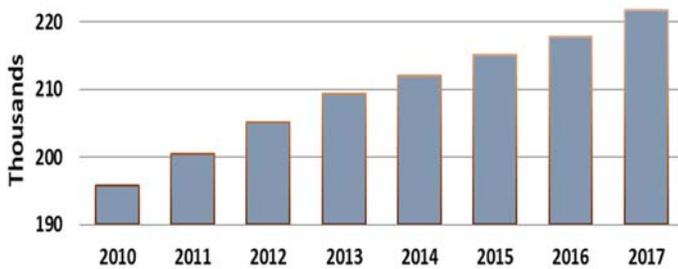


Not only has Yuma County received the PAFR Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting for the past **16** years; it has also received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the past **17** years, as awarded by the Government Finance Officers Association for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).

## POPULATION

As of December 31, 2017, Yuma County’s estimated annual population had grown by **13.23%** since the 2010 census (195,751) to a total estimated population of **221,648**. This is above the State of Arizona’s growth rate of **8.96%** during the same period. State’s current total population is estimated at **6,964,897**.

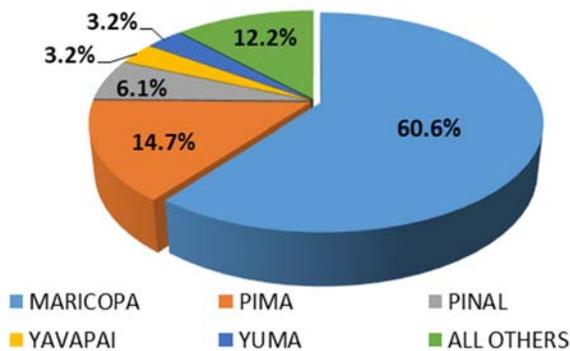
Yuma County Population Growth  
Source: Arizona Dept of Administration



Yuma County represents **3.2%** of the total state population. Ranks fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) within the fifteen counties within the State:

### State of Arizona

Percentage of Population by County  
Source: Arizona Dept of Administration

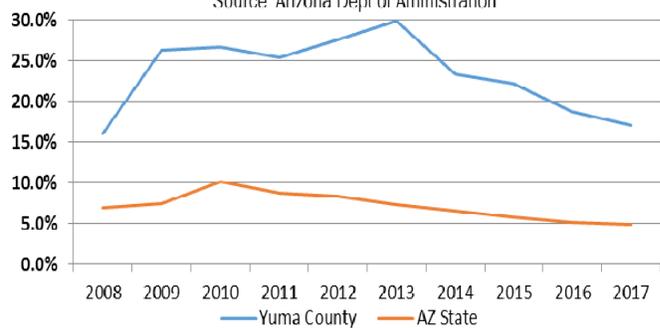


The majority of the population of Yuma County resides in the City of Yuma (45.8%). The Cities of San Luis, Somerton, Town of Wellton and unincorporated areas account for 15.9%, 7.7%, 1.4% and 29.2% respectively.

## EMPLOYMENT

Yuma County’s unemployment rate on December 31, 2017 was **17.1%**, a (1.6)% **decrease** from the previous year’s. Historically, the County averages 23.29% (last 10 years) unemployment due to a large agricultural labor population. The chart below shows a 10 year history of Yuma County unemployment rates, not adjusted for seasonal workers, against the State of Arizona’s unemployment rates during the same periods.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE  
Calendar Year  
Source: Arizona Dept of Administration

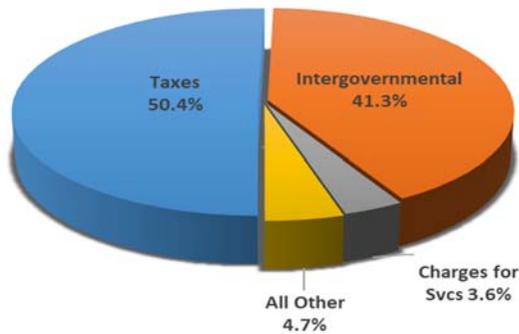


The Arizona Department of Administration reports the net change in employment for Yuma County compared to last year was a nominal increase of 500 new jobs, while the State of Arizona saw an increase of 61,400 as of the end of the fiscal year June 30, 2018:

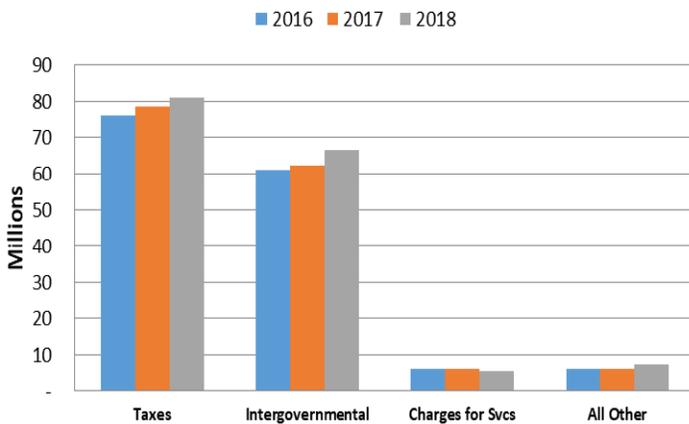
Sector	Yuma Co	AZ State
Private Services	600	21,900
Mining & Construction	-	13,200
Manufacturing	100	36,700
Trade, Transport & Utilities	(200)	7,300
Education and Health	200	13,000
All Govt	(100)	(700)
All Other	(100)	(30,000)
<b>Net Change</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>61,400</b>

### REVENUES- Governmental Funds

Yuma County’s Governmental Revenues totaled \$160,997,249 for fiscal year 2018. The majority (91.7%) of this year’s revenues are from two sources: **Taxes** (primarily property and sales) and **Intergovernmental** (Federal and State contributions including shared sales taxes).

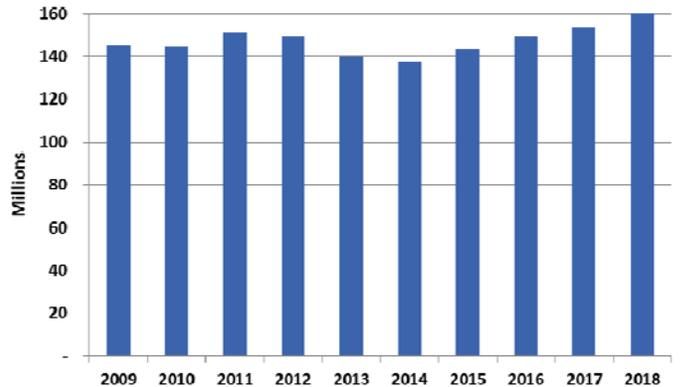


Below is a three year history of the three major governmental revenues. Fiscal year 2018 saw a **4.86%** increase over 2017; which in turn recorded a **2.85%** increase from fiscal year ending 2016 total revenues.



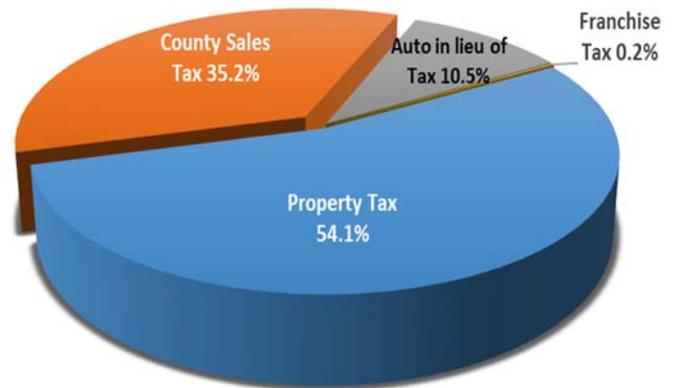
Governmental funds are used to account for all of Yuma County’s expendable financial governmental financial activities. Also, they are comprised of general, special revenue, debt service, and capital project funds

Below is a ten year historical perspective of total governmental revenues. Total revenues over a ten year history have averaged a **0.9%** growth rate.



### REVENUES- Local Tax Revenues

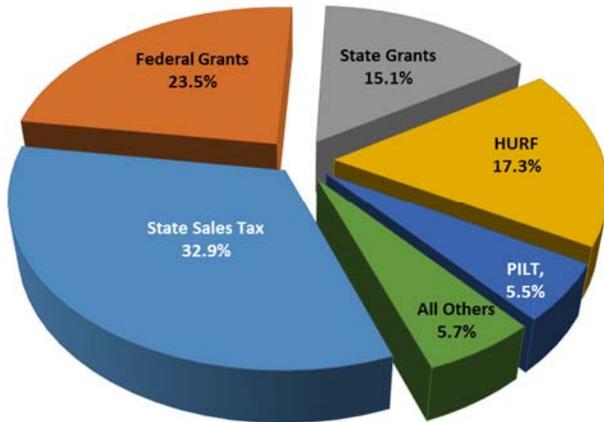
The largest local tax revenue source in the County Funds is Property Tax, which is based on assessed valuation. *Property taxes* accounted for **54.1%** or **\$43,909,474** of total local tax revenues; meanwhile, *County sales taxes* represented **35.2%** or **\$28,560,140** of the total local tax revenues of \$81,173,976.



Franchise Tax: applied to cable companies.  
Auto in Lieu of tax: automobile licensing.

**REVENUES- Intergovernmental**

*Intergovernmental revenues* (\$66,561,299) are received from governmental entities outside Yuma County, such as the State or Federal government. *State Shared Sales Taxes* are applied to certain sales transactions state-wide; *Grants from State or Federal Agencies* are available to the County by meeting certain requirements and are restricted for use; *Highway User Revenue Fund* comes from a State tax applied to gasoline purchases; *Payment in Lieu of Tax (PILT)* is a Federal contribution for federal land use instead of property taxes; and *All Other* includes other State mandated share revenues and other agencies reimbursements mostly for infrastructure agreements.



**Did you know?**

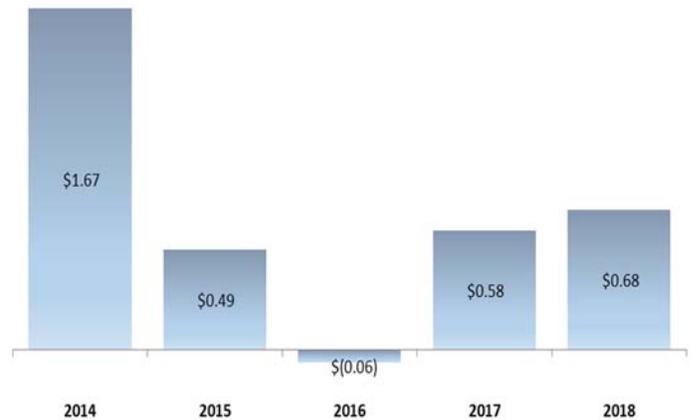
- In October 1849, Lt. Cave J. Couets established Fort Calhoun on a hill overlooking the Yuma Crossing to protect emigrants heading toward California in search of gold.
- In December 1852, the first steamer on the Colorado River reached Yuma.
- In June 1936, I.A. Eddy of Yuma developed the first home evaporative cooler.

Source: Arizona State Library Archives

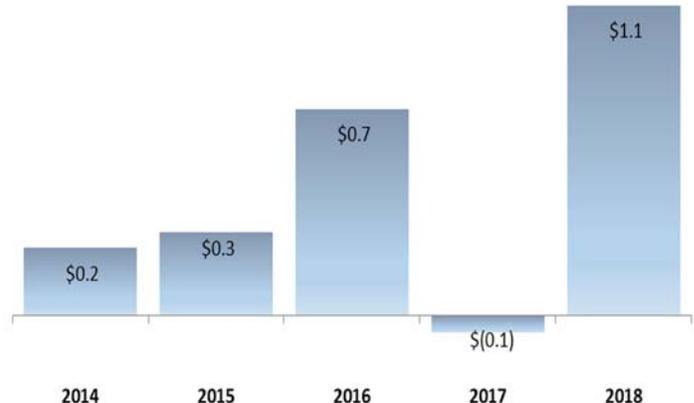
**REVENUES- Budget to Actual**

Yuma County’s annual budget serves as a guide for County officials and appointed staff on how to responsibly manage the resources entrusted to them. It is important to continuously review the actual activity against the estimates made during budget. Tax revenues are difficult to predict as they are subject to volatile economic forces; thus Yuma County budgets conservatively.

**Property Taxes:** Actual collections exceeded the budgeted amounts by **1.62%** or \$683,000. The five year average variance between budgeted and actual revenues is **1.71%**. Below is a chart showing property tax variance in millions of dollars.



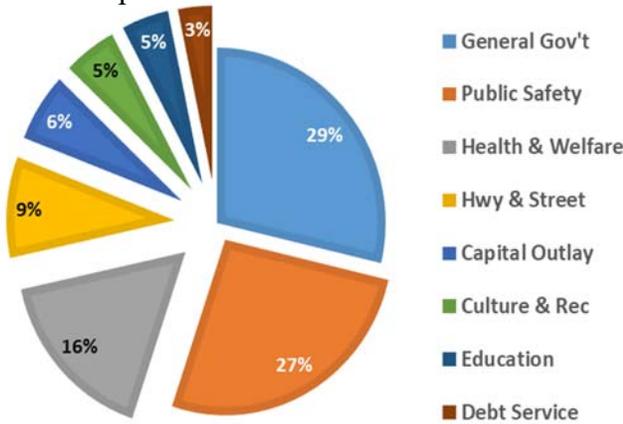
**State Sales Taxes:** Actual state shared sales tax revenues collections were very close to the budgeted amount. The chart below shows the five year budget to actual variance for State Shared Sales Tax revenues in millions.



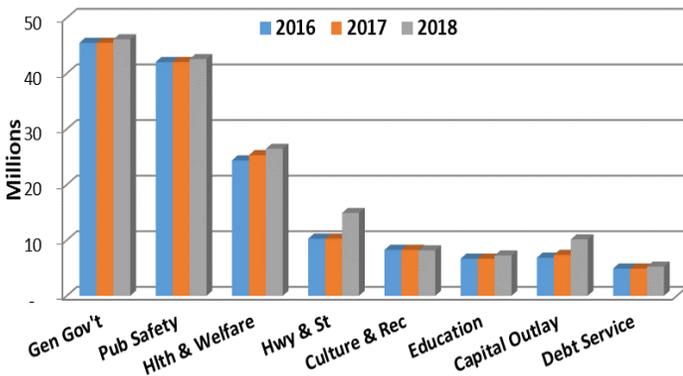
### EXPENDITURES- Governmental Funds

In fiscal year 2018 total governmental revenues increased by \$7.5 million as compared to 2017 and expenditures saw an increase of \$10.5 million. Expenditures at June 30, 2018 were \$160,850,001.

Functions provide a good reference about the services Yuma County provides. Major expenditure functions included *General Government, Public Safety, and Health and Welfare*; combined make up for 72.0% of total expenditures.

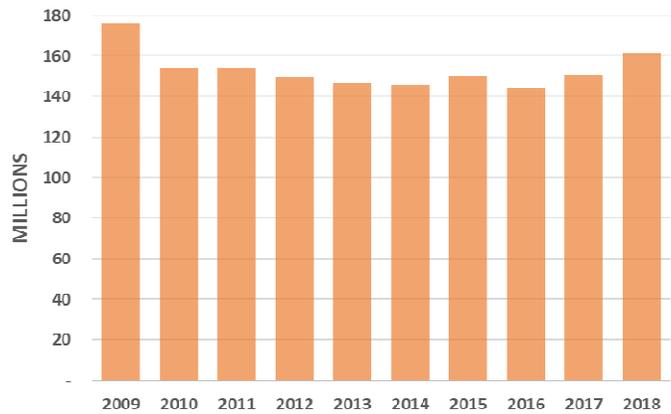


Below you will find a three year history of governmental funds expenditures.



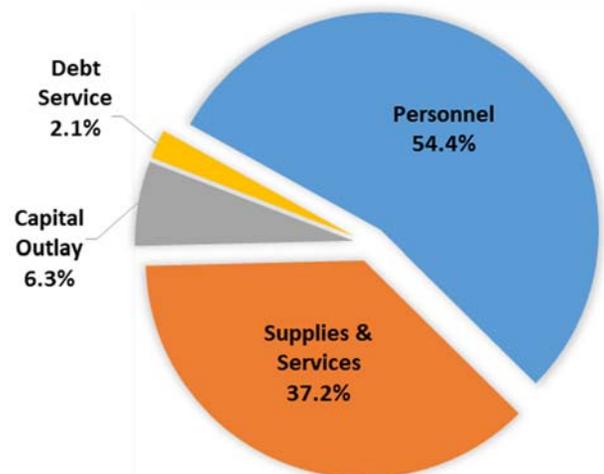
CAFR & PAFR can be found by visiting our website [www.yumacountyaz.gov](http://www.yumacountyaz.gov):

Below is a ten year historical perspective on total expenditures. Fiscal year 2018 saw an increase of 7.0% over the prior year. The main driver for the increase in current fiscal year was the additional investment in infrastructure, particularly highways and streets. This function recorded a 50% increase or \$5.0 Million.



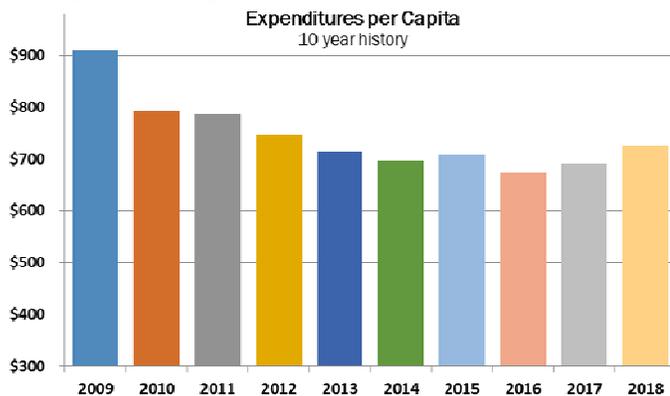
### EXPENDITURES- Classes

Total expenditures can be segregated into four classes for more detailed analysis: *Personnel, Supplies and Services, Capital Outlay, and Debt Service.*



**EXPENDITURES- Per Person**

Expenditures per person (capita) as per latest population estimates, increased from prior year at a rate of 5.1% or \$35. However, for the last ten year average, the cost per person has been reducing at (2.3)% rate. For fiscal year 2018 the expenditure per person in Yuma County was \$726; \$16 behind the ten year average of \$742.



**EXPENDITURES- Long Term Debt**

Yuma County has principal debt outstanding of **\$53,755,720** in general obligations, pledged revenues, special assessment bonds, rural development loans, and capital leases.

The components of the total outstanding debt (principal) consists of (1) **\$35,265,000** on the 2005 voter approved general obligation debt issued to build, expand, and renovate public libraries throughout the County; (2) of **\$6,016,000** in General County pledged revenue debt obtained to refinance a bond obtained in 2013 for the East County Facility and acquire and renovate a building the County purchased to house administrative offices; (3) of **\$2,232,000** recently issued to upgrade and replace decaying infrastructure; (4) of **\$3,669,992** in Jail District pledged

revenue debt issued in 2011 for refunding a prior bond issue; (5) of **\$2,209,000** recently issued to upgrade and replace decaying equipment in the Adult Detention Center; (6) of **\$2,724,074** rural development loans to be paid with special assessment, and (7) **\$1,639,654** capital lease outstanding.

Below is a six year comparison of Long Term Debit Principal per person, reflecting an increase of \$4 from fiscal year 2017. Current long term debt (principal) per person is **\$223**.



Yuma County uses a conservative approach to issuing long term debt. For information on the County’s Debt Management Policy visit our website at:

<http://www.yumacountyaz.gov/departments-and-services/county-administrator/policies>.

**Long Term Debt- Bond Types Defined**

*General Obligation Bonds-* bond backed by the general taxing power and good name of the issuing government

*Pledged Revenue Bonds-* bond issued with a pledge or guarantee that repayment will be made solely from revenues generated by a specific source

*Special Assessment Bonds-* bonds secured by pledges from special assessments levied against the benefiting property owners.

## Statements- Financial Activity (Sources & Uses)

The Sources & Uses statement of activity as well as the Benefits & Burdens statement are presented on a non-GAAP basis; however, they employ the same accounting basis as that used in preparation of the CAFR. For

more detailed information, please review the CAFR on our website at:

<http://www.yumacountyaz.gov/government/financial-services/reports>

### Sources & Uses

Year Ended June 30, 2018 (in Millions)\*\*

SOURCES:	General Fund		All Other Governmental Funds	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Taxes/Special Assessments	\$ 48.94	\$ 47.33	\$ 32.55	\$ 31.66
Licenses & Permits	0.66	0.57	0.48	0.46
Intergovernmental	26.47	25.17	40.09	37.00
Charges for Services	3.79	4.24	1.97	2.13
Fines & Forfeits	1.73	1.49	1.53	1.58
Miscellaneous	0.56	0.35	2.22	1.56
<b>Total Revenues:</b>	<b>82.15</b>	<b>79.15</b>	<b>78.84</b>	<b>74.38</b>
<b>USES:</b>				
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
General Government	41.20	41.17	4.93	4.34
Public Safety	13.26	12.70	29.31	29.35
Highways & Streets	-	-	14.89	10.28
Health, Welfare, & Sanitation	13.52	12.86	12.91	12.45
Culture & Recreation	0.01	0.01	8.19	8.26
Education	0.38	0.39	6.88	6.30
Capital Outlay	1.16	0.82	8.98	6.55
Debt Service	0.09	0.09	5.16	4.81
<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	<b>69.61</b>	<b>68.03</b>	<b>91.24</b>	<b>82.34</b>
<b>Other Financing Sources &amp; Uses:</b>				
* Transfers In	0.02	0.00	14.71	15.37
* Transfers Out	(8.92)	(9.54)	(5.81)	(5.84)
Other Proceeds (Uses)	0.89	0.57	5.11	0.03
<b>Total Sources &amp; Uses:</b>	<b>(8.02)</b>	<b>(8.96)</b>	<b>14.01</b>	<b>9.56</b>
<b>Excess Sources Over/Under Use</b>	<b>\$ 4.53</b>	<b>\$ 2.16</b>	<b>\$ 1.62</b>	<b>\$ 1.60</b>

\* Transfers In/Out are sources transferred from one fund to another within the organization.

\*\* Figures are rounded, allow for rounding variance.

The 4.9% increase in County-wide revenues was primarily due to a Property taxes collection increase of 3.1%. Total

expenditures experienced an increase of 7.0%. This structural imbalance, revenues less than expenses needs to be addressed.

**Statements- Financial Position (Benefits & Burdens)**

**Benefits & Burdens**

Year Ended June 30, 2018 (in Millions) \*

	General Fund		All Governmental Funds	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
<b>Benefits (Assets &amp; Deferred Outflows)</b>				
Cash & Investments	\$ 19.51	\$ 14.69	\$ 59.40	\$ 62.54
Receivables (net of allowances)				
Property Tax/Special Assessments	0.61	0.73	2.84	3.17
Other	0.11	0.10	0.82	0.83
Due from other Funds/Govts	6.86	5.44	9.03	8.93
Other Assets	0.43	0.21	4.78	1.20
<b>Total Benefits:</b>	<b>\$ 27.52</b>	<b>\$ 21.18</b>	<b>\$ 76.88</b>	<b>\$ 76.66</b>
<b>Burdens (Liabilities &amp; Deferred Inflows)</b>				
Owed to Vendors	\$ 0.92	\$ 0.64	\$ 2.32	\$ 3.85
Owed to Employees	1.53	1.51	1.41	1.39
Due to other Funds/Govts	2.30	0.69	3.05	2.97
Deposits held by Cnty as Trustee	0.04	0.03	0.95	1.04
Debt Service (Principal/Interest)	-	-	1.11	0.93
Other Liabilities	0.75	0.85	3.02	3.10
<b>Total Burden:</b>	<b>\$ 5.54</b>	<b>\$ 3.73</b>	<b>\$ 11.87</b>	<b>\$ 13.27</b>
<b>Benefits Over/ Burdens</b>	<b>\$ 21.98</b>	<b>\$ 17.45</b>	<b>\$ 65.01</b>	<b>\$ 63.39</b>

\* Figures are rounded, allow for rounding variance.

***Financial Reports Defined***

***Financial Activity Statement:*** Also known as the Income Statement, provides a record of sources (revenue) and uses (expenditures) of providing County services.

- Excess Sources Over/(Under) Uses: Represents a Gain/(Loss) for the current year, similar to Net Income.

***Financial Position Statement:*** Equivalent to the Balance Sheet, provides the benefits (assets and deferred outflows of resources) available to the County as well as the burdens (liabilities and deferred inflows of resources).

- Benefits Over/(Under) Liabilities: Represents the entity's Net Worth/Net Equity (components of which may be restricted in use due to various actions and statutes).

**Taxes- Sales Tax**

Yuma County currently has three active “transaction privilege (sales) taxes” which are: 1) General, 2) the Jail District, and 3) the Health District. The “sales” taxes are collected by the State of Arizona and are remitted to the County on a monthly basis.

**HOW ARE MY TAXES USED?**

County Sales Taxes	Rates	All Governmental Funds		Net Change	
		2017-18	2016-17	\$	%
General Purposes	0.5	\$ 12,846,034	\$ 12,580,917	\$ 265,117	2.1%
Jail District	0.5	12,846,259	12,580,956	265,303	2.1%
Health Services District	0.1	2,867,514	2,805,527	61,987	2.2%
<b>Total County Sales Tax</b>	<b>1.1%</b>	<b>\$ 28,559,807</b>	<b>\$ 27,967,400</b>	<b>\$ 592,407</b>	<b>2.1%</b>

Total County “sales” taxes increased 2.1%; 1.0% or \$249,011 less than the previous fiscal year. Reflection of the always fluctuating local economy.

General Purpose sales taxes are collected to provide the necessary services to the citizens of Yuma County, including operational costs.

Jail District sales taxes are utilized only for the operation and maintenance of the adult detention center. No taxes are spent in the County’s General operations and/or other Districts. The voter approved tax is set to expire in December 2035.

Health Services District sales tax is utilized for operation and to provide certain mandated health services to the constituents of Yuma County.

**Taxes- by Category**

There are numerous categories and taxable activities with the sales taxes, the major categories for Yuma County are listed below, along with a comparison of current and ten years ago.

Category	2018	2009	% Change
Retail	\$ 7,953,857	\$ 6,358,895	25.08%
Restaurants & Bars	1,481,180	1,015,188	45.90%
Utilities	1,311,764	1,304,627	0.55%
Contracting	1,001,843	2,233,515	(55.15%)
Rental of Personal Prop	393,232	326,983	20.26%
Hotel / Motel	330,729	271,693	21.73%
Communications	188,851	272,153	(30.61%)
Amusements	57,648	75,961	(24.11%)
Publishing	8,161	10,693	(23.68%)
All Other	118,769	67,501	75.95%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 12,846,034</b>	<b>\$ 11,937,209</b>	<b>7.61%</b>

Sales for current year were \$28,559,807 compared to prior year collections of \$27,967,400. Projection for the future growth of the local economy would be minimal due to the flat receipts.



**Did you know?**

The State of Arizona does not have a “Sales Tax”, instead it is a Transaction Privilege Tax (TPT), and it is a tax assessed to the vendor for the privilege of doing business in the State, but is usually passed onto the consumer.

**Taxes— Property Tax**

**Primary Assessed values:** The primary assessed valuation is a legislated valuation, which provides taxes for general operations (General Fund). The County’s primary property tax rate for fiscal Year ending June 30, 2018 is 2.5016 per \$100 valuation.

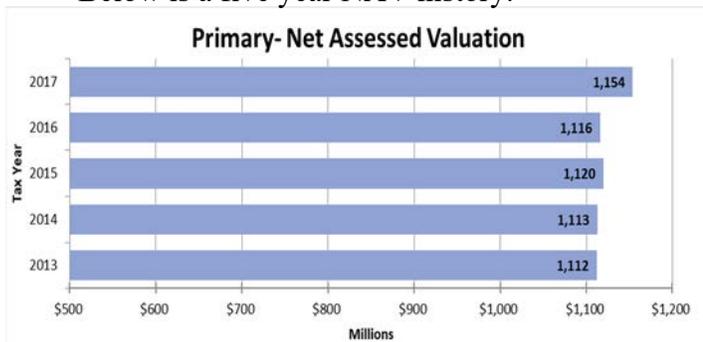
**How is Residential Property Tax calculated?**

Full Cash Value: \$100,000  
 Assessed Valuation: 10%  
 Primary Rate: 2.5016

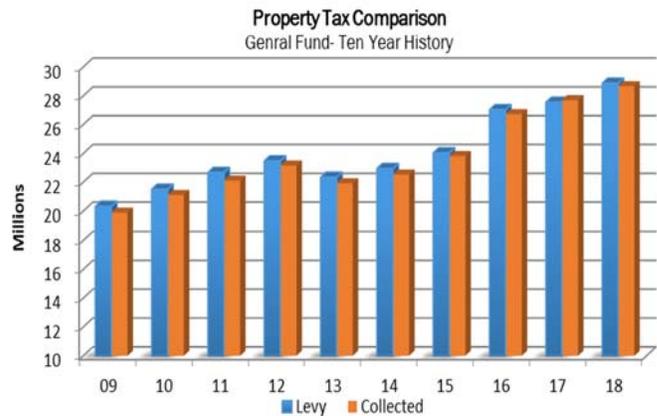
$\$100,000 \times .10 = \$10,000$   
 $\$10,000 \div 100 = \$100$   
 $\$100 \times 2.5016 = \$250.16$

**Secondary Assessed values:** The secondary assessed valuation is not restricted by statute; as such it is a better indicator of market conditions and currently is the basis for Yuma County’s Flood Control and Library Districts. Their rates this tax year were 0.2794 and 0.9034 respectively (Library debt 0.2582 and operations 0.6452).

**Net Assessed Valuations (NAV):** In “tax year” 2017, the net primary assessed valuation increased **3.41%** to \$1,154 million. For tax year 2015, the State legislature decided to make the net secondary assessed valuation the same as the net primary value. Below is a five year NAV history.



**Tax Collections- Current GF:** Real estate and personal property tax collections for the General Fund (general operations fund) tax levy were at 97.61% for FY 2018; a 0.87% decrease in current year collections.



**Tax Collection- Total Collected:** Total property taxes collected amounted to \$41,028,432 out of the \$43,100,143 total levied. The \$2,071,711 is expected to be collected during the next fiscal year.

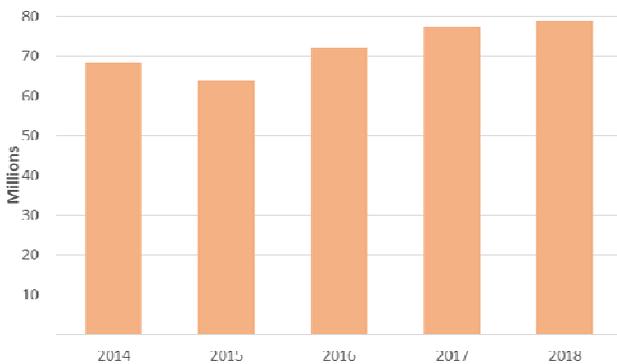
**Look Ahead:** In August 2018, the Yuma County Board of Supervisors voted to increase the General Fund’s 2019 tax rate to \$2.5288 for a levy of \$29,826,372 (net of estimated uncollectible); total library district rate (operations and debt service) did not change from \$0.9034, total levy was \$10,631,429; and flood district tax rate was decreased to \$0.2522 for a tax levy of \$2,448,496. The Board of Supervisor mitigated the increase in the General fund tax rate by decreasing the Flood tax rate. This to minimize the impact on taxpayers’ taxes.

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**OPERATIONS – Net Assets**

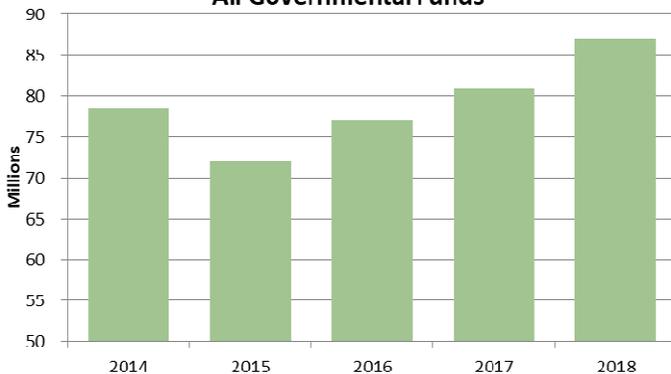
At close of fiscal year 2018, the General Fund (general operations) maintained adequate cash and fund balance to carry forward to fiscal year 2019 for continued operations. General Fund saw a cash and investments decrease of (32.9)% from 2017 while All Other Governmental Funds saw a cash and investments increase of 2.2%.

**Cash Balances at Year End  
All Governmental Funds**



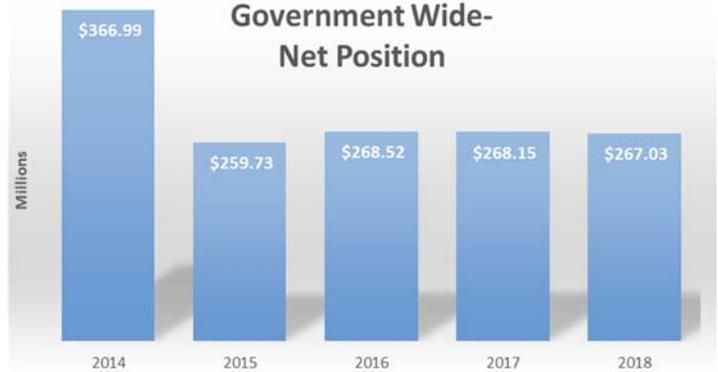
General Fund balance saw an increase of 25.9% or \$4,526,551 over prior year. All Other Governmental Funds saw an increase of 2.6%. Combined for All Governmental funds, fund balance increased by 7.6%.

**Fund Balances at Year End  
All Governmental Funds**



**Government-Wide (GW):** Provides reader with a broader overview of the County’s finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business. GW-Net Position (the difference between the sum of Assets and Deferred Outflows; AND the sum of Liabilities and Deferred Inflows) may serve as an indicator of the County’s overall financial condition. Net Assets for FY 2018 decreased over prior year by (\$1.12) million. Here is a five year GW-Net position history.

**Government Wide-  
Net Position**



The nominal Net Position decrease was mainly due to a 7.0% increase in expenses particularly in highways and streets, this obeys a Board directive to aggressively pursue a road maintenance and replacement schedule. The County’s investment in infrastructure is to continue into next year.

**Net Position Composition**

- (1) Net investment in capital assets, (land, buildings, machinery, equipment)
- (2) Restricted funds (subject to external restrictions)
- (3) Unrestricted funds (not subject to external restrictions).

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**Strategic Plan**

The Strategic Plan, last adopted by the Board of Supervisors in 2012, identifies a number of objectives the County intends to achieve and is measured in 5 - year increments. Objectives of the plan are integrated into the annual budget and provide performance measures in each agency budget. The Updated Strategic Plan continues to be developed at time of printing.

**Comprehensive Plan**

The Comprehensive Plan last adopted on February 22, 2012 is a 10 - year plan that identifies the desired physical development of the County. In addition to providing plans for land, open space, environment, and water resource development, the plan identifies strategies to bring about the desired improvements.

**Capital Improvement Program**

This program is a 5 - year plan of improvement projects, adaptive to the economic environment of the County. The program is administered on projects with expected costs of more than \$100,000 mainly construction with associated debt.

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**County Mission** *Yuma County Government is dedicated to providing customer-focused services to enhance the health, safety, well-being and future of our entire community.*

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**County Administrator-** Susan K. Thorpe (Right)

The mission of the County Administrator's Office is to ensure that the residents of Yuma County receive professional, high quality and cost effective services from all County departments; that Yuma County government is transparent in all respects; and, that County personnel are accessible and accountable to the people of Yuma County that we serve.



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