

# CITY OF BRISTOL, CONNECTICUT

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## Popular Annual Financial Report



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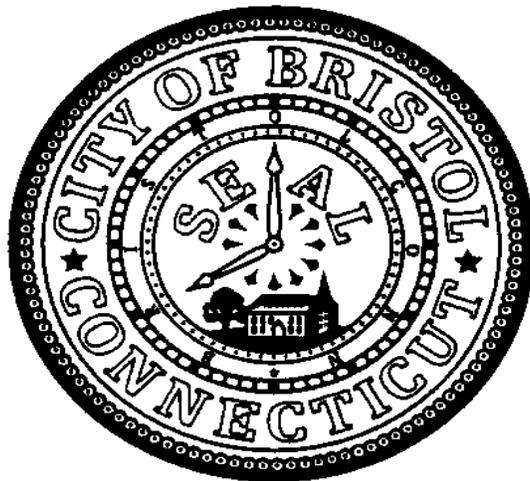
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## FINANCIAL MESSAGE

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June 30, 2018

*Christopher P. Merrill*  
Executive Director/CEO

Dear Citizens of Bristol, Connecticut,

I am pleased to present the City of Bristol's Popular Annual Financial Report, (PAFR) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019. This is Bristol's nineteenth PAFR, and is formulated as an easy-to-read version of the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) that is published on a yearly basis.

The CAFR is a detailed account of the City's financial statements, notes, schedules, and statistics. The CAFR was prepared in conformance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), audited by Blum Shapiro, and received an unmodified opinion. The CAFR is available in the Comptroller's office, the City Clerk's office and via the internet.

The PAFR is designed to provide citizens with an overview of the City's revenue, expenditures and general information, in a simplified interpretation of the CAFR. All financial data presented in the PAFR is derived from the CAFR and is consistent with GAAP. The PAFR is prepared by the Comptroller's staff and is not obligated to be audited under GAAP rules. The PAFR does not include Bristol's Component Unit - Bristol/Burlington Health District.

Both the PAFR and the CAFR can be found on the City's website at [www.bristolct.gov](http://www.bristolct.gov).

Thank you for your interest in the City of Bristol's government and how it functions. Please feel free to comment on the PAFR, and offer any suggestions to my office at [dianewaldron@bristolct.gov](mailto:dianewaldron@bristolct.gov)

Respectfully submitted,

Diane M. Waldron,  
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## GOVERNMENT STRUCTURE, LOCAL ECONOMIC CONDITION AND OUTLOOK

### Historical Background

Bristol, formerly made up of the parishes of New Cambridge and West Britain, was settled in 1785. In 1911, Bristol was incorporated and became known from that time on as the City of Bristol. Bristol is a suburban City located sixteen miles southwest of the state capital city of Hartford with a broad based economy. In October, 2018 Standard and Poor's reaffirmed the City's AA+ rating citing a strong economy and budgetary performance and very strong financial management, budgetary performance and flexibility and a very strong debt and contingency liability position. The City has varied manufacturing and industrial sectors that add to the relative stability of the local economy. Major industries with headquarters or divisions located within the government's boundaries include ESPN, the nation's first and largest all-sports television network. The City currently has a land area of 26.60 square miles and serves a population of approximately 60,000.

### Description of Government

The City has operated under the mayor-council form of government since inception. Policymaking and legislative authority is vested in the governing council, which consists of a mayor and a six-member council. The City's mayor is responsible for carrying out the policies and ordinances of the governing council and for overseeing the day-to-day operation of the City. The council is elected on a partisan basis by district. The mayor is elected at large. The mayor and the council members are elected to two-year terms. The Board of Education appoints a Superintendent of schools who is responsible for administering the City's school system. The City Council is responsible, among other things, for passing ordinances, adopting the budget (in conjunction with the Board of Finance in a Joint Meeting of the two bodies) and for appointing the heads of departments. Various Boards and Commissions establish individual department policies and procedures. The City is empowered to levy a property tax on both real and personal property located within its boundaries.

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## Economic Condition and Outlook

Unemployment rates and the number of unemployed people, not seasonally adjusted, have started trending downward. Connecticut's 2019 3.8% unemployment rate is very close to the national rate of 3.7%, and is predicted to remain stable. Locally, Bristol's 4.2% average unemployment rate is still somewhat higher than national and regional averages.

Top 10 Employers				
Employer	Nature of Business	Employees	Rank	2019
				Percentage of Total City Employment
ESPN	Sports Broadcasting	4,200	1	12.00%
City of Bristol & Board of Education	Municipality	1,601	2	4.57%
Bristol Health	Health Care	1,160	3	3.31%
Faneuil, Inc	Call Center	350	4	1.00%
Amazon	Distribution Center	350	5	1.00%
Sheriden Woods Health Care Center	Health Care	200	6	0.57%
IDEX Health & Science LLC	Health Care	175	7	0.50%
Stop & Shop	Grocery Store	150	8	0.43%
Quality Coils	Manufacturing	125	9	0.36%
The Pines at Bristol	Health Care	115	10	0.33%
Total		8,426		24.07%

Source: Bristol Development Authority

The ESPN worldwide headquarters remains the City's largest employer, accounting for 12.0% of the City's workforce. ESPN's growth in Bristol is assured by on-going development of 20 adjoining acres. Their newest digital center, comprises over 193,000 square feet of office space and four technologically advanced production studios.

The City continues to be a leader in manufacturing, producing a wide variety of precision-crafted goods such as tin ware, bells, coaster brakes, hard wares, clocks, screw machine products, electronic items, timing devices, and robotic-based automation systems. Specialty manufacturers produce for a diverse array of industries, including medical devices, surgical equipment, aerospace, and automobile items. The City also benefits from the Bristol Hospital and its 120,000 square foot downtown medical facility.

As a result of a variety of business expansion and relocation incentives including tax abatements through Enterprise Zone programs to promote development, renewed investment, and new employment opportunities, the City of Bristol expects its Grand List to continue to grow while providing quality employment opportunities for residents. Major employment centers within Bristol include the worldwide headquarters of ESPN, the Bristol Hospital, and a host of high-tech manufacturers, retailers and healthcare services throughout the City. The most recently opened 60,000 square foot Amazon Delivery Station or "last mile" distribution facility in Bristol will employ between 500-1,000 employees, dependent on season.

The City's high-profile technology parks are designed to bring manufacturers and similar businesses to Bristol. The 229 Technology Park, located off heavily traveled CT Route 229, hosts nearly 30 businesses with upwards of 1,000 employees. Standout businesses include Otis Elevator, IDEX Corp., Bauer Inc., and the Covanta trash-to-energy plant. Just down the street, the City's newest technology park - Southeast Bristol Business Park - is approximately 51 acres available to host new and innovative companies. The infrastructure was a jointly funded project of the State and the City. The acreage will ultimately accommodate approximately 750,000 square feet of new space. Bristol's new business park already has five tenants, including CMI Specialty Products, Precision Threaded Products, GMN USA, AMKO, and the PODS portable storage company's 130,000 square foot distribution center.

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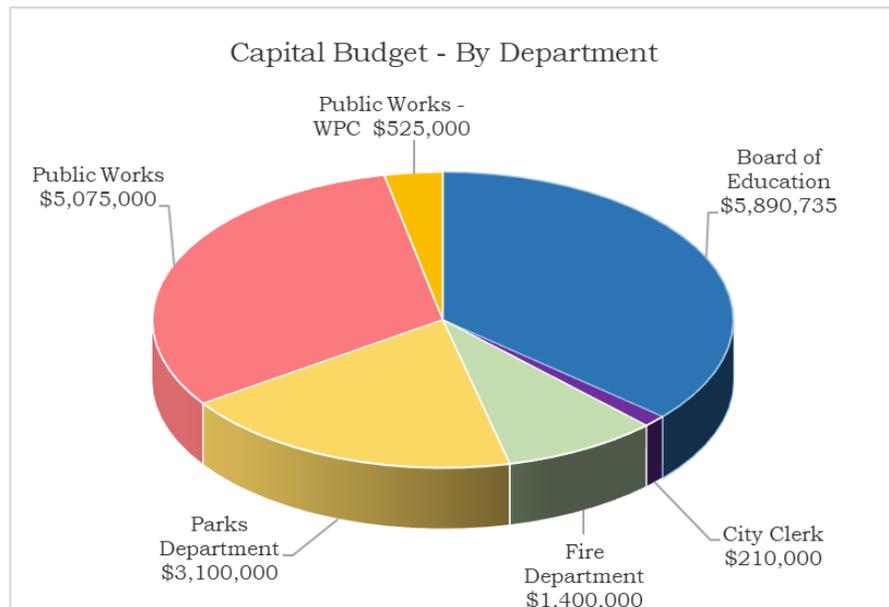
## MAJOR INITIATIVES

**Downtown revitalization** remains a top priority for reasons of economic vitality and quality of life. The City-owned 17 acre former Centre Mall site in downtown Bristol is where the new Bristol Hospital medical facility is located. The City is currently studying the proper mix of public and private improvements and investments. The re-use of the 17 acre site is a key component and opportunity for downtown revitalization. The eventual sale of the site, or portions of the site, could recoup a substantial portion of the purchase price, restart the income stream of taxes, and help spark renewed interest in surrounding downtown properties. In addition, the City recently approved the use of Tax Increment Financing (TIF) and adopted a TIF Master Plan as an economic tool to incentivize private development and to provide a funding source for public infrastructure projects in downtown Bristol. Specifically, TIF earmarks the future real property tax revenue increases within the Downtown TIF District to help finance public infrastructure improvements, to fund City administered economic development incentive programs, and/or to help finance private development projects within the TIF District.



**Budget responsibly.** The City's fiscal year 2018-2019 budget for governmental activities of \$223.9 million required only a modest mill rate increase from 36.03 to 36.88. The General Fund budget for fiscal year 2018-2019 is \$194.4 million (General City, \$84 million and Education, \$111 million).

**Invest in infrastructure.** The City's fiscal year 2018-2019 capital budget authorized spending of \$16.2 million for capital projects.



# GLOSSARY

## Benefits

Cash is the amount of physical cash held by the City in checking accounts and on hand for the purpose of paying expenses.

Investments are made up of funds that are not needed to be held to pay expenses, so the City Treasurer can invest these funds in a variety of accounts. By investing these funds, the City of Bristol earns interest on its surplus cash.

Other assets are amounts owed to the City, inventories and other.

Capital Assets include all streets, street improvements, sidewalks, sewer lines, storm drains and bridges, land, buildings, furniture, equipment and construction in progress.

Deferred Outflows, Net  
Deferred outflows represent a portion of net equity that applies to a future period and is primarily related to changes in pension experience and assumptions. These amounts are included in pension expense in a systematic and rational manner.

## Burdens

Amounts Owed to Vendors are those items that the City of Bristol owes to individuals and companies who supply services or goods and the expected payment is to be made within twelve months.

Other liabilities represent accrued amounts owed by the City.

Bonds and Notes Payable is the long-term debt owed by the City.

Compensated Absences are liabilities for accumulated sick and vacation time that are payable to employees upon termination.

Unpaid Claims are the open Workers' Compensation and health insurance claims at fiscal year end.

Other Post-Employment Benefits are benefits other than pension, such as retiree healthcare. The amount is actuarially determined and included as a liability of the City.

Landfill Post-closure Care is an estimated liability to monitor and maintain the landfill during the post-closure period.

## THE FUTURE

The City's elected and appointed officials considered many factors when setting the fiscal-year 2019 budget tax rates and fees that will be charged for the business-type activities. One of those factors is the economy. Other factors included comparing fees and charges for services to similar sized communities, evaluating the impact of Grand List changes, and intergovernmental revenue changes. All of these were taken into account when adopting the General Fund budget for 2019-2020.

The 2020 General Fund budget appropriation is \$200.6 million, represents an increase of \$6.2 million from the previous year's budget. The mill rate increased to 38.05 for 2019-2020 from 36.88 in 2018-2019.

As for the City's business-type activities marginal growth (1.5 to 2.0 percent) is expected to retained earnings based on sales over the past three fiscal years. Also, expenses will increase for continued watershed expansion purchases and other infrastructure and equipment improvements.

## LONG-TERM FINANCIAL PLANNING

The City develops and prepares a Capital Improvement Program (CIP) that is a forward looking multi-year plan identifying capital projects to be funded during the planning period. The City has a 10 Year Capital Improvement and Strategic Planning Committee. The Capital Budget represents the first year of the CIP. The City tracks and monitors all projects to be funded with bonding. A detailed spreadsheet of all authorized but unissued bond amounts is updated, reviewed and correlated with Bond Counsel on a regular basis. This serves as one element in the determination of when and how much a future bond issue should be. In addition to this formal long term planning process, City administration from time to time adopts a set of informal long term goals and objectives for such matters as the increasing costs of snow removal, fleet replacement and for OPEB funding. Long-term overall operational planning is more problematic as it is impractical to forecast beyond three years without complex software, and any such plan would have to be legally adopted.

## SOME BASIC DEFINITIONS

The Glossary presented in the margins of selected pages provides detailed definitions of financial and other terms. However, we wanted to provide some basic definitions as a quick view to further assist the reader.

- Governmental activities – Most of the City's basic services are reported here, including education, public safety, public works, health and welfare, libraries, parks and recreation, and general administration. Property taxes, charges for services, and state and federal grants finance most of these activities.
- Business-type activities – The City charges a fee to customers to help it cover all or most of the cost of certain services it provides. The City's Water Department operations are reported here.
- Component units – The City includes one separate legal entity in its report; the Bristol-Burlington Health District. Component Unit activity is excluded from the PAFR.
- The General Fund is the chief operating fund of the City of Bristol and makes up approximately 90% of governmental activities.



**City of Bristol, Connecticut  
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Financial Position Statement**



**Overview**

This statement provides a picture of the City of Bristol's financial position at the end of the fiscal year. It is a summary of what the City owns, what the City owes and the difference or net position.

<b>Financial Benefits</b>	<b><u>2019</u></b>	<b><u>2018</u></b>	<b><u>CHANGE</u></b>
Cash and Investments	\$122,522,000	\$114,691,000	\$7,831,000
Other assets	13,247,000	12,354,000	893,000
Pension Asset	194,289,000	210,535,000	(16,246,000)
Capital Assets	<u>377,240,000</u>	<u>382,405,000</u>	<u>(5,165,000)</u>
<b>Total Financial Benefits</b>	<b><u>\$707,298,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$719,985,000</u></b>	<b><u>(\$12,687,000)</u></b>
<b>Deferred Outflows, Net</b>	<b><u>\$26,742,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$14,248,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$12,494,000</u></b>
<b>Financial Burdens</b>			
Amount Due to Employees and Vendors	\$8,397,000	\$10,818,000	(\$2,421,000)
Other Liabilities	13,706,000	\$13,078,000	628,000
Debt and Other Long Term Liabilities	<u>189,647,000</u>	<u>\$173,802,000</u>	<u>15,845,000</u>
<b>Total Financial Burdens</b>	<b><u>\$211,750,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$197,698,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$14,052,000</u></b>
<b>Net Position</b>	<b><u>\$522,290,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$536,535,000</u></b>	<b><u>(\$14,245,000)</u></b>

**Net Position Detail**

<b>Governmental Activities</b>	<b><u>2019</u></b>	<b><u>2018</u></b>	<b><u>CHANGE</u></b>
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$254,525,000	\$266,283,000	(\$11,758,000)
Restricted	186,675,000	202,388,000	(15,713,000)
Unrestricted	<u>46,779,000</u>	<u>34,222,000</u>	<u>12,557,000</u>
	<b><u>\$487,979,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$502,893,000</u></b>	<b><u>(\$14,914,000)</u></b>
<b>Business-type Activities</b>			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$20,875,000	\$20,577,000	\$298,000
Restricted	8,807,000	9,278,000	(471,000)
Unrestricted	<u>4,629,000</u>	<u>3,787,000</u>	<u>842,000</u>
	<b><u>\$34,311,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$33,642,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$669,000</u></b>
<b>Total</b>			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$275,400,000	\$286,860,000	(\$11,460,000)
Restricted	195,482,000	211,666,000	(16,184,000)
Unrestricted	<u>51,408,000</u>	<u>38,009,000</u>	<u>13,399,000</u>
	<b><u>\$522,290,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$536,535,000</u></b>	<b><u>(\$14,245,000)</u></b>

# WHERE THE MONEY COMES FROM

REVENUE	2019	2018
<b>GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES</b>		
Taxes and Assessments	\$ 146,235,000	\$ 140,813,000
Intergovernmental	78,553,000	95,738,000
Charges for Services	16,202,000	15,784,000
Investment Earnings	1,906,000	1,125,000
Miscellaneous	609,000	501,000
	<b>\$ 243,505,000</b>	<b>\$ 253,961,000</b>
<b>BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES</b>		
Charges for Services	8,225,000	7,501,000
Investment Earnings	(37,000)	306,000
	<b>\$8,188,000</b>	<b>\$7,807,000</b>
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$ 251,693,000</b>	<b>\$ 261,768,000</b>

Tax revenues increased \$5.4 million in 2019. There was some upward movement in assessed valuation but the change is due primarily to an increase in the mill rate from 36.03 to 36.88 and the collection of \$2.1 million in the new Supplemental Motor Vehicle Tax. Aggressive tax collection efforts (98.6% in both 2019 and 2018) continued. Operating grants and contributions (included with Intergovernmental) decreased by \$16.7 million due primarily to a reduction in the state on-behalf State teachers Retirement and OPEB contribution. Bristol received \$45.4 million and \$45.2 million from the State for educational equalization of education cost sharing in 2019 and 2018, respectively. Investment earnings increased \$781,000 continued low interest rates. The City increased its available cash once it replenished cash for capital funds through long term borrowing and was successful maximizing its investment returns. Other elements of revenue remained relatively constant percentage-wise year to year.

TAXES	2019	2018
Current Tax Levy	\$141,737,000	\$138,434,000
Prior Tax Levy	1,362,000	1,343,000
MV Supplemental	2,069,000	0
Interest and Penalties	1,002,000	1,009,000
Assessments	65,000	27,000
	<b>\$146,235,000</b>	<b>\$140,813,000</b>

TOP 10 PROPERTY TAXPAYERS	Taxable Assessed Total City Taxable	Value 10/1/16	Assessed Value
ESPN	\$	222,486,000	5.69%
Connecticut Light & Power		57,088,000	1.46%
Covanta		45,227,000	1.16%
Bristol Center LLC		32,775,000	0.84%
Federal Realty Investment Trust		22,177,000	0.57%
Bristol Sports Dst		20,791,000	0.53%
Festival Fun Parks		20,659,000	0.53%
Carpenter Realty		19,548,000	0.50%
Yankee Gas Service Co.		15,682,000	0.40%
D'Amato Construction/Affiliated LLCs		15,410,000	0.39%
		<b>\$ 471,843,000</b>	<b>12.07%</b>

Source: City of Bristol, Office of Tax Assessor

## GENERAL FUND

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the City of Bristol. The General Fund accounts for the normal recurring activities of the City including general government, public safety, public works, health and social services, recreation, libraries and education. These activities are funded principally by property taxes on individuals and businesses and grants from governmental units. The General Fund does not include the operations of the City Water Department.

GENERAL FUND REVENUE	2019	2018
Taxes and Assessments	\$146,279,000	\$140,996,000
Licenses, Permits and Fees	1,978,000	1,984,000
Intergovernmental	62,256,000	78,647,000
Charges for Services	4,551,000	4,048,000
Interest Earnings	1,501,000	939,000
Miscellaneous	310,000	378,000
	<b>\$216,875,000</b>	<b>\$226,992,000</b>

# WHERE THE MONEY GOES

## GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES AND DEBT SERVICE EXPENDITURES

	2019	2018
Education	\$152,066,000	\$164,663,000
Public Safety	41,434,000	37,443,000
Public Works	30,881,000	28,720,000
General Government	15,207,000	12,194,000
Health and Social Services	8,515,000	8,567,000
Parks and Recreation	3,856,000	3,617,000
Libraries	3,297,000	3,250,000
Debt Service- Interest/Fiscal Charges	3,162,000	2,569,000
	<b>\$258,418,000</b>	<b>\$261,023,000</b>

## BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES

Source of Supply, Pumping and Transmission	\$3,325,000	\$2,586,000
Customer Accounts and Administration	2,446,000	2,430,000
Depreciation	1,136,000	1,062,000
Other	612,000	581,000
	<b>\$7,519,000</b>	<b>\$6,659,000</b>

## GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES

	2019	2018
Education	\$109,878,000	\$125,250,000
Public Safety	26,225,000	25,306,000
Public Works	14,906,000	15,722,000
Health and Social Services	6,321,000	6,317,000
General Government	6,305,000	6,219,000
Parks and Recreation	2,517,000	2,512,000
Libraries	2,167,000	2,190,000
Benefits, Insurance, Capital and Miscellaneous	32,322,000	32,646,000
	<b>\$200,641,000</b>	<b>\$216,162,000</b>

For 2019, no new programs were added. The top three continue to be Education (City schools, teachers. Administration), Public Safety (Police Department, Fire Department), and Public Works (engineering, building and fleet maintenance, streets, roads and sidewalks, waste and snow removal and street lighting). The budget for 2019 was prepared on a hold-the-line basis. The majority of increases were the result of contractual obligations for personnel.

## MONEY FOR PUBLIC SAFETY

	2019	2018
Police Department	\$16,863,000	\$16,119,000
Fire Department	8,600,000	8,444,000
Animal Control	163,000	161,000
Emergency Management	24,000	14,000
Building Inspection	575,000	568,000
	<b>\$26,225,000</b>	<b>\$25,306,000</b>

## MONEY FOR THE BRISTOL SCHOOL SYSTEM

	2019	2018
General Control	\$2,512,000	\$2,506,000
Instruction	47,004,000	46,898,000
Transportation	4,460,000	4,120,000
Operation of Plant	6,807,000	6,353,000
Maintenance of Plant	2,371,000	2,267,000
Benefits and Fixed	10,759,000	27,988,000
Athletics and Student	1,968,000	1,881,000
Capital and Technology	2,139,000	1,890,000
Special Education	31,574,000	26,223,000
Tuition	1,021,000	863,000
Excess Cost	3,811,000	4,261,000
Other *	(4,548,000)	0
<b>Total Board of Education</b>	<b>\$109,878,000</b>	<b>\$125,250,000</b>

\* Presentation of the amount of grants received for specific expenditures as an offset is new for 2019.



**City of Bristol, Connecticut  
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Summary of Capital Assets**

Capital Assets are defined as property and equipment owned by the City of Bristol and purchased by each department as needed. This summary is the total dollar amount held by the City of Bristol net of depreciation as of June 30.



<b>Category</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
Land	\$21,314,000	\$21,403,000
Land Improvements	1,583,000	3,312,000
Buildings	195,100,000	201,805,000
Equipment	36,772,000	33,887,000
Infrastructure	113,607,000	114,909,000
Construction in Progress	8,864,000	7,089,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$377,240,000</b>	<b>\$382,405,000</b>



**Construction in Progress**

Includes construction or projects not yet complete or not yet ready to be put into operation. This can include new buildings, new sewers or improvements, and building renovations.



**Equipment**

Includes the cost of all City and Departmental machinery, vehicles, furniture, business machines, etc. that each department maintains and is responsible for.



**Land and Land Improvements**

Includes the total amount of land purchased and owned by the City of Bristol and any improvements to such land.



**Buildings**

Includes the cost of the building purchase or the cost of the building construction.

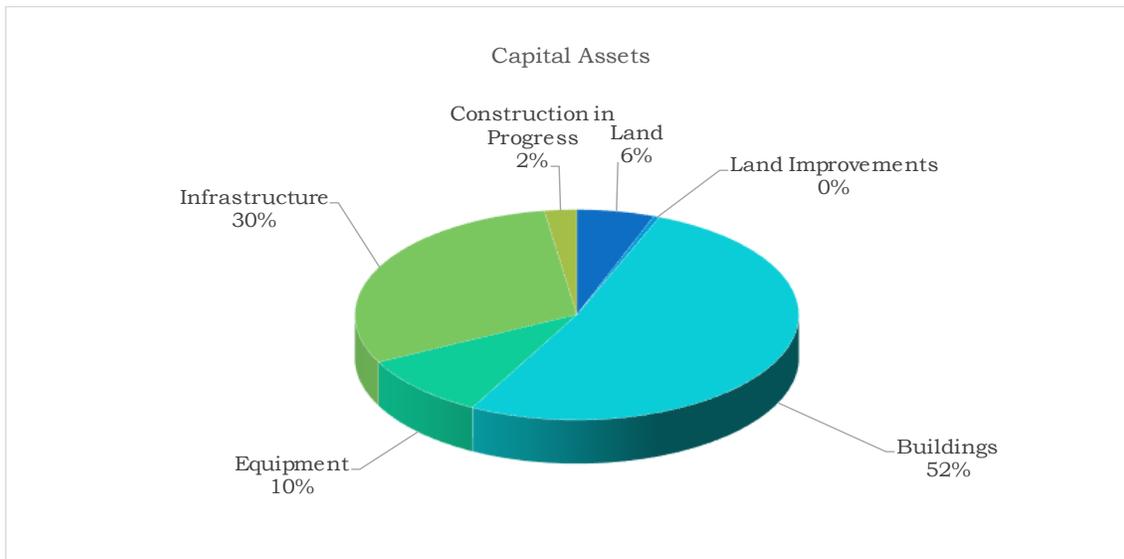


**Infrastructure**

Includes the cost of all roads, bridges, tunnels, drainage systems, water and sewer systems, dams, and lighting systems.

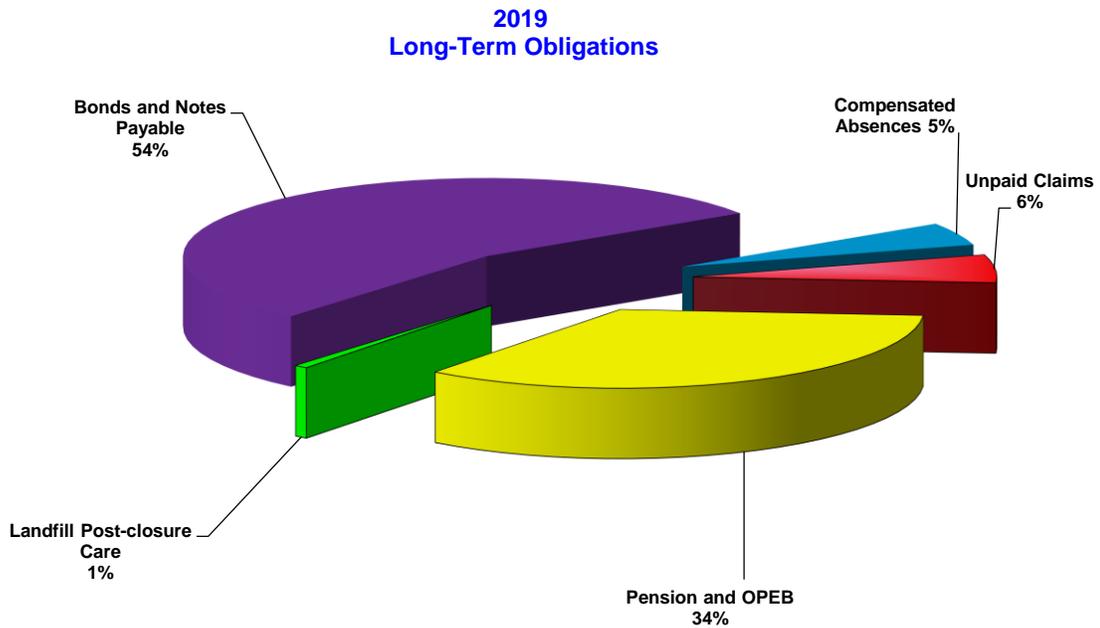
**Capital Asset Activity**

	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>
<b>Beginning Balance</b>	\$ 382,405,000	\$ 376,438,000
<b>Purchased</b>	12,528,000	22,412,000
<b>Disposed</b>	(290,000)	(502,000)
<b>Depreciation</b>	(17,403,000)	(15,943,000)
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 377,240,000</b>	<b>\$ 382,405,000</b>



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Debt and Other Long Term Liabilities**

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Bonds and Notes Payable	\$103,594,000	\$96,221,000
Compensated Absences	8,950,000	9,381,000
Unpaid Claims	10,936,000	10,595,000
Pension and OPEB	64,818,000	56,195,000
Landfill Post-closure Care	1,349,000	1,410,000
<b>Total</b>	<b><u><u>\$189,647,000</u></u></b>	<b><u><u>\$173,802,000</u></u></b>



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### Demographics

<b>Date of incorporation</b>	1911
<b>Form of Government</b>	Mayor/Council
<b>Area of City</b>	26.6 square miles
Latitude	N41 40' 23"
Longitude	W72 56' 49"
Elevation	310' above sea level
<b>Roads/Sidewalks and Sewers</b>	
Miles of streets - including state highways	254
Miles of storm drains	219.9
Miles of sanitary sewers	245.1
Number of street lights	5,560
<b>City Employees</b>	
Number of full-time City employees	491
Number of Board of Education full-time employees	957
<b>Elections:</b>	
Number of registered voters	35,254
Number of votes cast in:	
Last State election	17,835
Last municipal election	20,802
Percent of registered voters voting in:	
Last State election	56%
Last municipal election	59%
<b>Parks and Recreation:</b>	
Number of parks and public squares	17
Playgrounds	8
Swimming pools, outdoor	2
Swimming pools, indoor	1
Outdoor ice-skating facilities	5
Lighted tennis courts	5
Tennis courts	14
Ball diamonds:	
Hardball (1 lighted)	4
Softball (1 lighted)	6
Little League	14
Basketball courts	6
Volleyball courts	6
Fishing areas	7
Stadium	1
Soccer fields	2
Horseshoe pits	2
Ropes Challenge Course	1
Spray parks	3
<b>Population</b>	60,147
<b>Unemployment Rate</b>	4.2%
<b>Board of Education Statistical Information</b>	
Number of high schools	2
Number of middle schools (6th, 7th and 8th)	2
Number of elementary schools	6
Number of K-8 schools	2
Number of high school students	2,292
Number of middle school students	1,283
Number of elementary students	2,323
Number of K-8 students	1,836
Number of teachers	570
Administrative and non-teaching personnel	386
Student enrollment as of 10/1/18	7,734



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