

# BENTON COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY SALES TAX

## 2015 – 2022 Summary Report

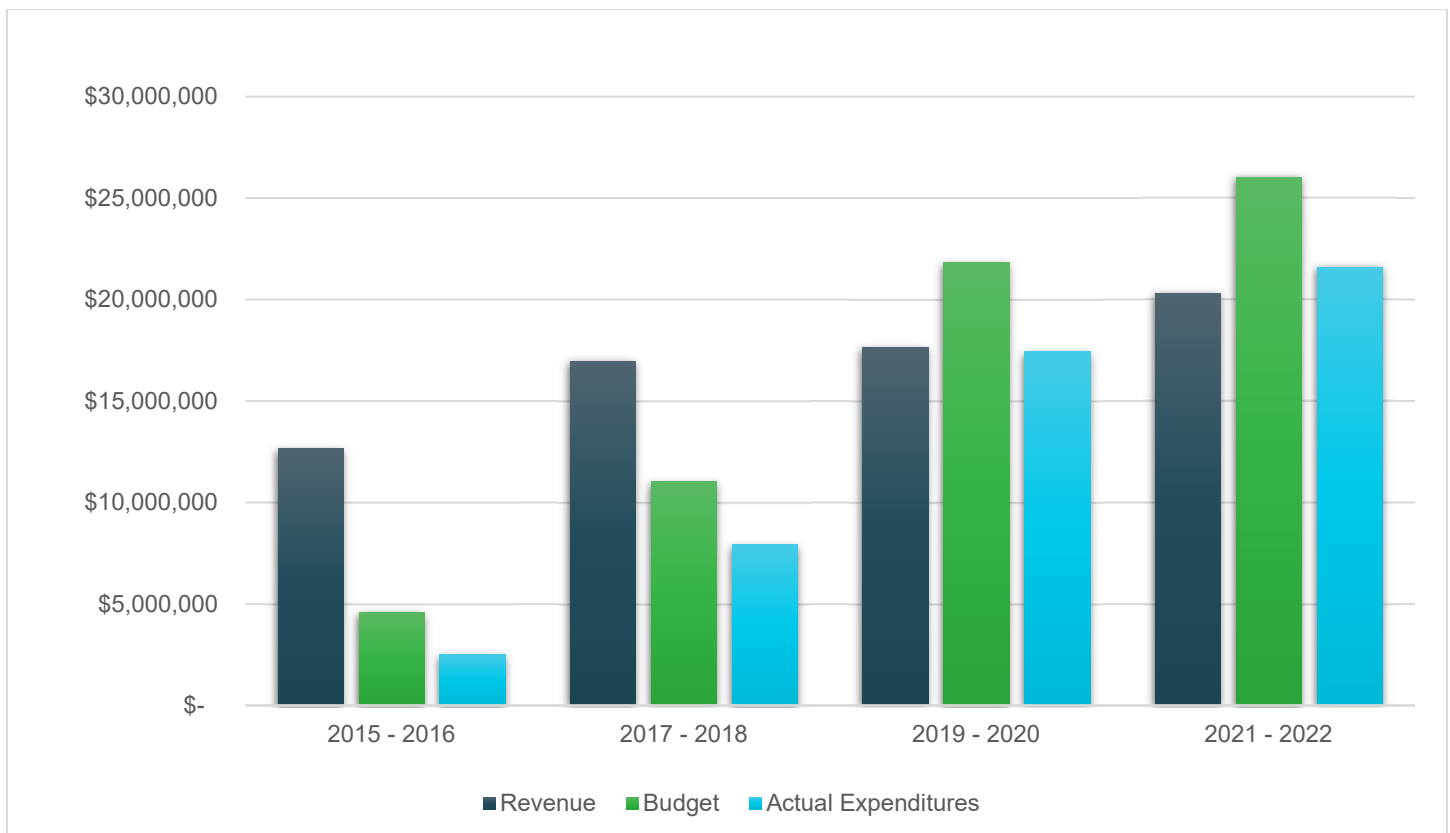
The Public Safety Sales Tax was passed by the voters of Benton County via Proposition 14-5 in August 2014. This is a 3/10 of one percent (0.3%) sales and use tax, collected pursuant to RCW 82.14.450 for specified criminal justice purposes. Benton County operates on a biennial (2-year) budget, and the revenues and expenditures listed in the following report reflect that fiscal calendar (January - December).

*\* Please note: Revenues are listed in the month received versus accrued. Revenues collected are received by the County with approximately a two (2) month delay.*

### Summary of Revenue, Budget, & Expenditures by Fiscal Year

*\* 2021-2022 figures are accurate as of January 31, 2023 and do not include accruals past 1/31/2023.*

Fiscal Year	Revenue	Budget	Actual Expenditures
2015 - 2016	\$ 12,650,766	\$ 4,574,615	\$ 2,495,732
2017 - 2018	\$ 16,981,589	\$ 11,033,833	\$ 7,917,553
2019 - 2020	\$ 17,649,947	\$ 21,828,550	\$ 17,424,203
2021 - 2022	\$ 20,317,947	\$ 26,019,043	\$ 21,597,856
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 67,600,250</b>	<b>\$ 63,456,041</b>	<b>\$ 49,435,346</b>



A full summary of each biennial budget (fiscal year) is available in the following pages, including information about the positions funded by the Public Safety Sales Tax as well as any other expenses incurred from that fund during said biennium.

Questions regarding the Public Safety Sales Tax in general, or this report specifically, can be directed to:

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# 2015 – 2016 SUMMARY

**Revenue:** \$ 12,650,766.52

**Budget:** \$ 4,574,615.00

**Expenditures:** \$ 2,495,732.00

## County Staff / Positions

# Positions: 32  
 Budget: \$ 1,747,973.00  
 Expenditures: \$ 949,498.25

3 Legal Process Assistants  
 1 Mental Health Court Case Worker  
 1 Mental Health Court Program Manager  
 1 Part-Time District Court Judge Pro-Tem  
 2 Deputy Prosecuting Attorneys  
 1 Legal Secretary  
 2 Inmate Processing Specialists  
 4 Custody Officers  
 3 Detectives (including Metro)

5 Sheriff's Deputies  
 1 Public Safety Tax Coordinator  
 1 Public Defense Executive Assistant  
 1 Adult Drug Court Case Manager  
 1 Adult Drug Court Coordinator  
 1 Adult Drug Court Receptionist/Secretary  
 2 Juvenile Drug Court Counselors  
 1 Juvenile Counselor  
 1 Temporary Help

## Other Expenses

Budget: \$ 2,089,591.00  
 Expenditures: \$ 1,155,463.48

Overtime & Holiday Pay  
 Benefits (social security, medical insurance, retirement, etc.)  
 Supplies (office supplies, computers, software, equipment, etc.)  
 Services (travel, contract services, training, printing, etc.)  
 Intergovernmental (payments to other government agencies for services)  
 Interfund Payments (assessments to other County funds – Risk, IT, Facilities, etc.)  
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## Gang & Crime Prevention Program Contracts (2016 Only)

Contractor	Program	Budget	Expenditures
Mirror Ministries	Human Trafficking Survivor Services	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Safe Harbor	Emergency Youth Shelter	20,830.00	20,830.00
Ki-Be Schools	Crime Prevention Program	26,800.00	16,580.00
Health District	Nurse Family Partnership	177,034.00	83,005.00
Boys & Girls Club	Prosser Teen Program	55,000.00	45,842.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 284,664.00</b>	<b>\$ 171,257.00</b>

## Capital Expenditures

Budget: \$ 237,725.00  
 Expenditures: \$ 224,509.51

1 Sheriff's patrol vehicle and necessary technology upfit and accessories

# 2017 – 2018 SUMMARY

**Revenue:** \$ 16,981,589.28

**Budget:** \$ 11,033,833.00

**Expenditures:** \$ 7,917,553.90

## County Staff / Positions

# Positions: 46  
 Budget: \$ 4,187,002.00  
 Expenditures: \$ 3,641,045.04

- 1 Archive Records Specialist (Clerk)
- 5 Legal Process Assistants
- 2 Indigent Financial Screeners
- 1 Mental Health Court Case Worker
- 1 Mental Health Court Program Manager
- 1 Part-Time District Court Judge Pro-Tem
- 3 Deputy Prosecuting Attorneys
- 4 Legal Secretaries
- 1 Custody Officer
- 6 Detectives (incl. ICAC, Metro)
- 2 Sergeants (incl. Gang Task Force)

- 7 Sheriff's Deputies (incl. Gang Task Force)
- 1 Superior Court Commissioner
- 1 Public Safety Tax Coordinator
- 1 Public Defense Executive Assistant
- 1 Adult Drug Court Case Manager
- 1 Adult Drug Court Coordinator
- 1 Adult Drug Court Receptionist/Secretary
- 2 Juvenile Drug Court Counselors
- 1 Juvenile Counselor
- 3 Temporary Help

## Other Expenses

Budget: \$ 4,958,338.00  
 Expenditures: \$ 3,088,476.76

- Overtime & Holiday Pay
- Benefits (social security, medical insurance, retirement, etc.)
- Supplies (office supplies, computers, software, equipment, etc.)
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## Gang & Crime Prevention Program Contracts

Contractor	Program	Budget	Expenditures
Mirror Ministries	Human Trafficking Survivor Services	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 33,000.00
Safe Harbor	Emergency Youth Shelter	51,000.00	51,000.00
Ki-Be Schools	Crime Prevention Program	44,127.20	37,512.14
Health District	Nurse Family Partnership	309,556.74	280,099.20
Partners for Early Learning	Building Resilience, Family Support	44,860.00	26,928.27
Chaplaincy Health Care	Step-Up Program	15,000.00	9,646.72
Boys & Girls Club	Prosser Teen Program	90,000.00	80,647.80
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 587,543.94</b>	<b>\$ 518,834.13</b>

## Capital Expenditures

Budget: \$ 202,035.00  
 Expenditures: \$ 83,984.57

- Computer replacements
- 1 Sheriff's vehicle and necessary technology upfit
- Telecommunications / radio system(s)

# 2019 – 2020 SUMMARY

**Revenue:** \$ 17,649,947.45

**Budget:** \$ 21,828,550.00

**Expenditures:** \$ 17,424,203.98

## County Staff / Positions

# Positions: 65  
 Budget: \$ 7,017,619.00  
 Expenditures: \$ 6,482,391.28

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 Archive Records Specialist</li> <li>7 Legal Process Assistants</li> <li>2 Indigent Financial Screeners</li> <li>4 Beh. Health Specialists / Probation Officers</li> <li>1 Therapeutic Courts Assistant Coordinator</li> <li>1 Therapeutic Courts Coordinator</li> <li>1 Therapeutic Courts Peer Specialist</li> <li>1 Judge Pro-Tem (Therapeutic Courts)</li> <li>4 Deputy Prosecuting Attorneys</li> <li>2 Legal Secretaries</li> <li>1 Victim Witness Coordinator</li> <li>8 Detectives (incl. FBI, ICAC, Metro)</li> <li>2 School Resource Officers</li> <li>9 Sheriff's Deputies (incl. DEA, Gang Task Force)</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2 Sheriff's Sergeants (incl. Gang Task Force)</li> <li>1 Metro Assistant Chief Deputy</li> <li>1 Superior Court Commissioner</li> <li>1 Guardianship Monitoring Case Manager</li> <li>1 Communications Coordinator</li> <li>1 Public Defense Legal Support Manager</li> <li>2 Public Defense Executive Assistants</li> <li>1 Adult Drug Court Case Manager</li> <li>1 Adult Drug Court Coordinator</li> <li>1 Adult Drug Court Receptionist/Secretary</li> <li>2 Juvenile Drug Court Counselors</li> <li>3 Juvenile Counselors</li> <li>4 Temporary Help</li> </ul> |
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## Other Expenses

Budget: \$ 8,675,643.00  
 Expenditures: \$ 6,404,340.26

- Overtime & Holiday Pay
- Benefits (social security, medical insurance, retirement, etc.)
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## Gang & Crime Prevention Program Contracts

Contractor	Program	Budget	Expenditures
Health District	Nurse Family Partnership	\$ 609,338.10	\$ 496,587.42
Boys & Girls Club	Kennewick Clubhouse	500,000.00	500,000.00
Boys & Girls Club	Prosser Clubhouse	150,000.00	150,000.00
Chaplaincy Health Care	Step Up Program	79,340.00	31,220.30
Communities in Schools	Site Coordinators	236,156.16	236,156.16
FORGE Youth Mentoring	Youth Mentoring	90,000.00	90,000.00
Ki-Be School District	Crime Prevention Program	88,888.00	78,797.82
Mirror Ministries	Human Trafficking Survivor Services	130,000.00	107,147.09
Safe Harbor	Emergency Youth Shelter	400,000.00	332,064.77
Partners for Early Learning	Building Resilience, Family Support	133,814.00	129,525.21
SARC	Advocacy for Sex Trafficking Survivors	123,560.00	123,560.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$2,541,096.26</b>	<b>\$2,275,058.77</b>

## Capital Expenditures

Budget: \$ 2,601,147.00  
 Expenditures: \$ 2,354,134.03

- Sheriff Patrol Vehicles
- Sheriff UTV
- Sheriff Lenco Armored vehicle
- Sheriff Patrol Canine
- Bomb Squad Sharplogix X-Ray equipment
- Computerized polygraph system
- Red Mountain Communications Tower & Road Access (ongoing)

# 2021 – JULY 2022 SUMMARY

\* 2021-2022 figures are accurate as of January 31, 2023, and do not include accruals past January 31, 2023.

**Revenue:** \$ 20,317,947.00

**Budget:** \$ 26,019,043.00

**Expenditures:** \$ 21,597,856.00

## County Staff / Positions

# Positions: 64 (includes numerous partial positions)  
 Budget: \$ 9,130,659.00  
 Expenditures: \$ 8,811,085.94

.75 Legal Process Supervisor	2 School Resource Officers
.50 Archive Records Specialist	1 Sheriff's Corporal
1 Victim Witness Coordinator	2 Sheriff's Sergeants (incl. Gang Task Force)
8 Legal Process Assistants	1 Metro Assistant Chief Deputy Pros Attorney
4 Beh. Health Specialists / Probation Officers	1 Superior Court Commissioner
1 Therapeutic Courts Assistant Coordinator	.75 Guardianship Monitoring Case Manager
1 Therapeutic Courts Coordinator	2.5 Superior Court Bailiff
.50 Therapeutic Courts Peer Specialist	.50 Communications Coordinator
1 Judge Pro-Tem (Therapeutic Courts)	1 Public Defense Executive Assistant
4 Deputy Prosecuting Attorneys	1 Public Defense Office Support
4 Legal Secretaries	1 Public Defense Attorney
4 Sheriff Records Clerks	1 Juvenile Counselors (2 partials)
1 Sheriff's Community Services Lieutenant	1.30 Adult Drug Court Case Managers
1 Sheriff's Patrol Commander	.70 Adult Drug Court Coordinator
8 Detectives (incl. FBI, ICAC, Metro)	1.50 Juvenile Drug Court Counselors
8 Sheriff's Deputies (incl. DEA, Gang Task Force)	

## Other Expenses

Budget: \$ 13,885,570.00  
 Expenditures: \$ 10,540,290.40

Overtime & Holiday Pay  
 Benefits (social security, medical insurance, retirement, etc.)  
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## Gang & Crime Prevention Program Contracts

Contractor	Program	Budget	Expenditures
Health District	Nurse Family Partnership	\$ 550,000.00	\$ 516,799.00
Boys & Girls Club	Kennewick Clubhouse	500,000.00	500,000.00
Boys & Girls Club	Prosser Clubhouse	200,000.00	200,000.00
Chaplaincy Health Care	Step Up Program	79,340.00	609.00
Communities in Schools	Site Coordinators	236,157.00	236,157.00
Ki-Be School District	Crime Prevention Program	76,000.00	62,012.00
Safe Harbor	Emergency Youth Shelter	400,000.00	399,999.00
Partners for Early Learning	Building Resilience, Family Support	292,544.00	285,229.00
SARC	Advocacy for Sex Trafficking Survivors	147,852.00	132,320.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$2,481,893.00</b>	<b>\$2,333,125.00</b>

## Capital Expenditures

Budget: \$ 3,002,814.00  
 Expenditures: \$ 2,246,480.15

Red Mountain Communication Tower & Road Access (ongoing)  
 Shooting Range expansion (ongoing)  
 Sheriff Patrol Vehicles  
 Sheriff Body Cameras