



# **Cloquet Public Schools**

## **Truth in Taxation Meeting**

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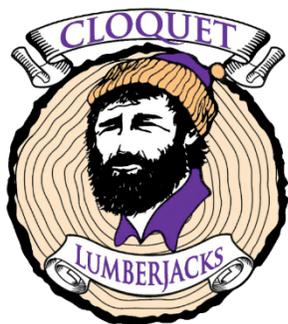
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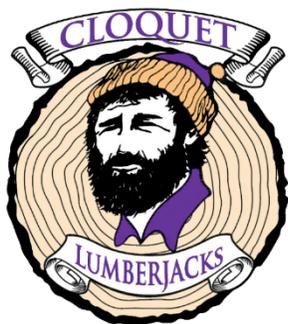
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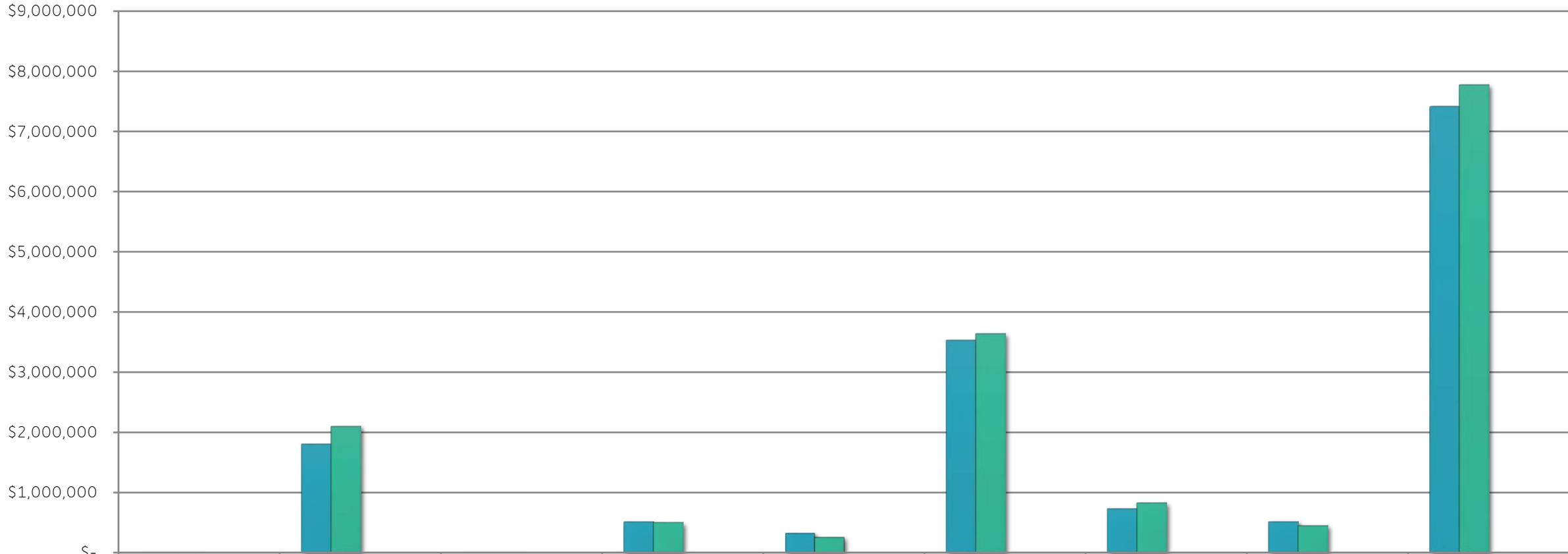
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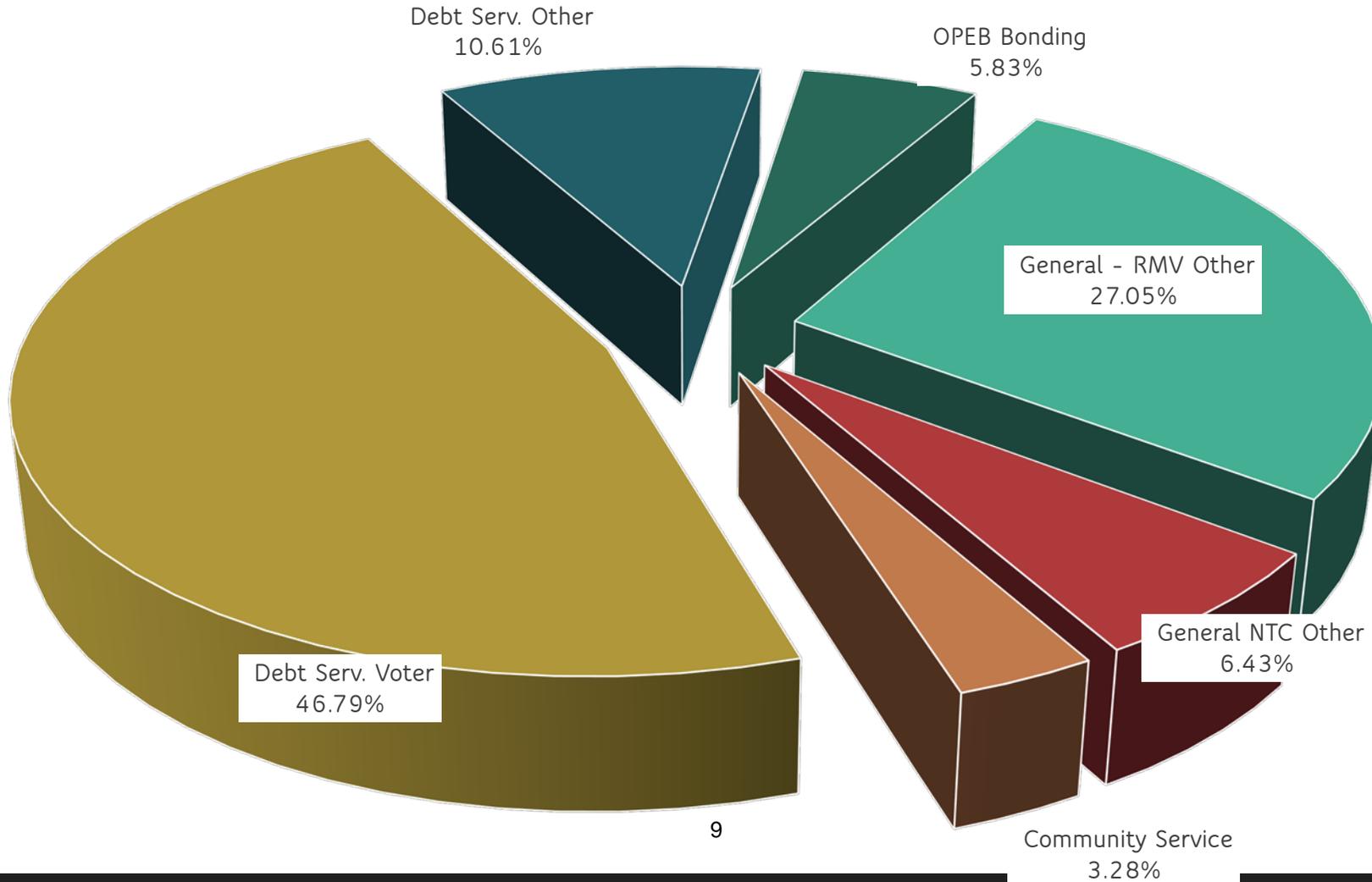


	General - RMV Voter	General - RMV Other	General NTC Voter	General NTC Other	Community Service	Debt Serv. Voter	Debt Serv. Other	OPEB Bonding	Total Levy
Pay23 Levy	\$-	\$1,802,605.99	\$-	\$512,150.89	\$323,228.19	\$3,530,735.71	\$732,742.28	\$514,583.55	\$7,416,046.61
Pay24 Levy	\$-	\$2,102,160.15	\$-	\$499,902.22	\$255,253.85	\$3,636,039.86	\$824,759.96	\$452,839.06	\$7,770,955.10
Change Pay23 to Pay24	\$-	\$299,554.16	\$-	\$(12,248.67)	\$(67,974.34)	\$105,304.15	\$92,017.68	\$(61,744.49)	\$354,908.49
Percent Change	0.00%	16.62%	0.00%	-2.39%	-21.03%	2.98%	12.56%	-12.00%	4.79%

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## Payable 2024 Levy by Category

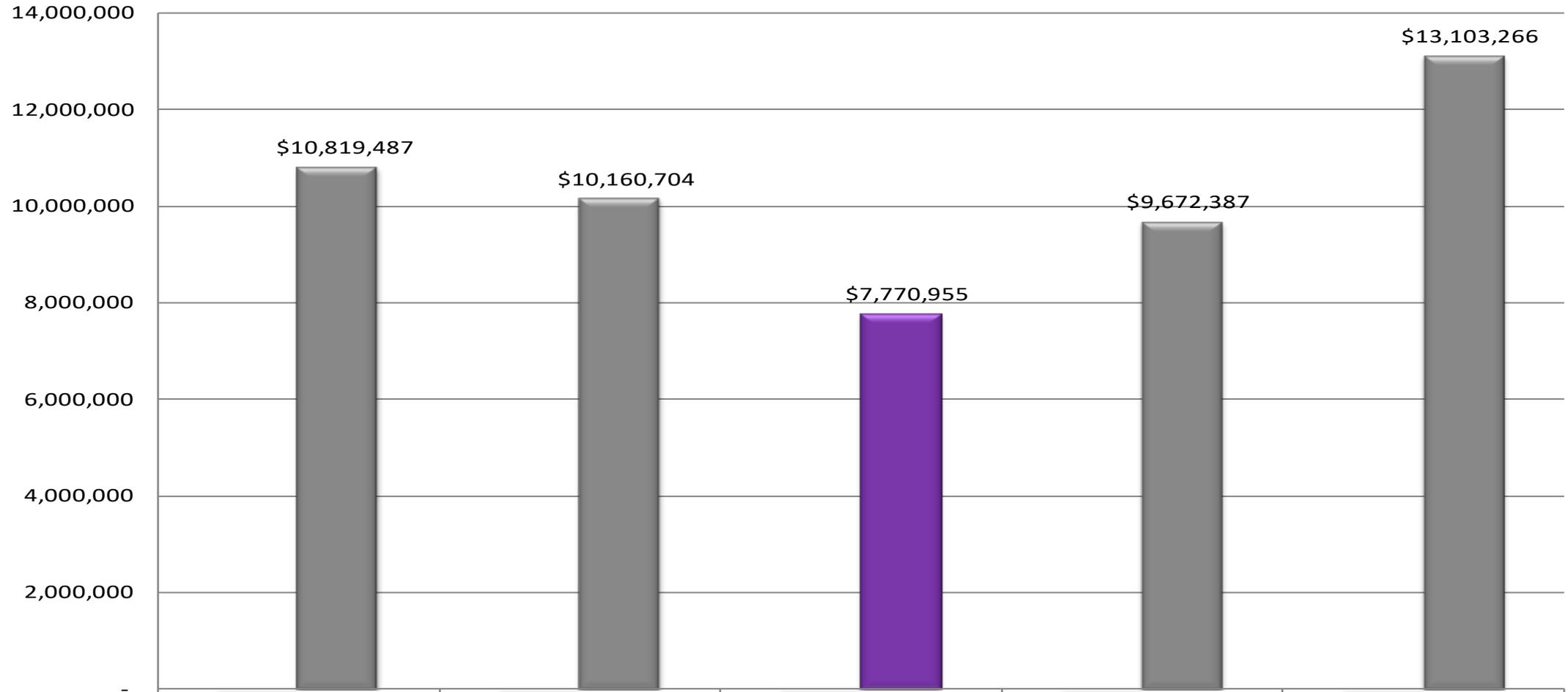


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## Similar Size Districts by FY22 Final Adjusted ADM

Payable 2024 Proposed



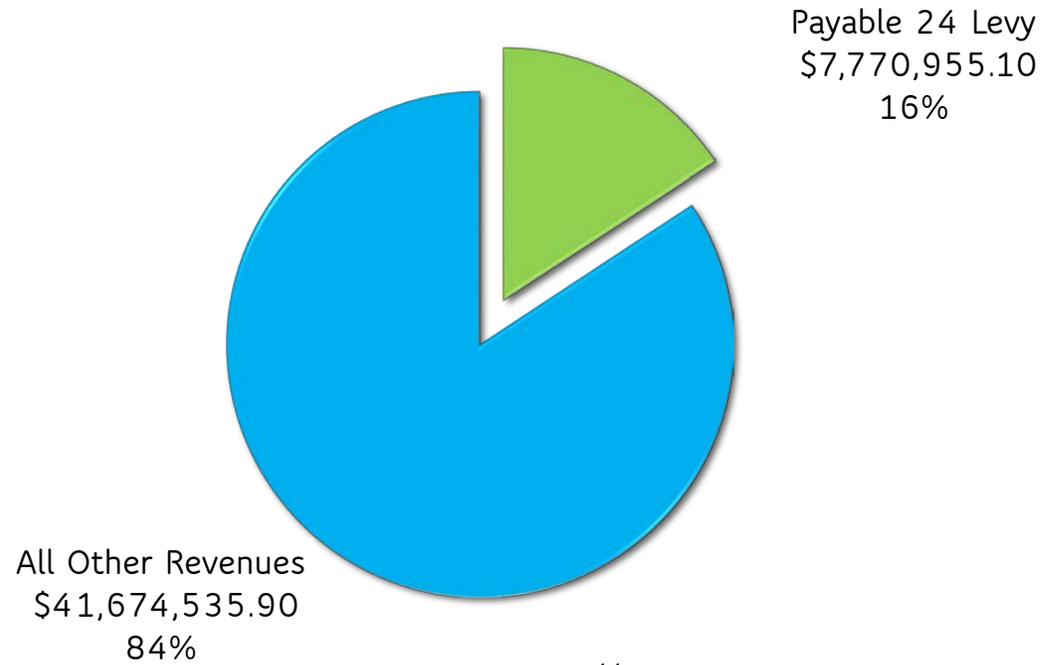
	Red Wing	Hutchinson	Cloquet	Detroit Lakes	Fridley
FY22 ADJ ADM	2,582.15	2,648.69	2,741.98	2,742.59	2,769.28
PAY24 PROPOSED LEVY	\$10,819,487	\$10,160,704	\$7,770,955	\$9,672,387	\$13,103,266

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Payable 2024 Final Levy as a Component of Revenue Budget

Payable 24 Levy	\$ 7,770,955.10	16%
All Other Revenues	\$ 41,674,535.90	84%
Full Budget	\$ 49,445,491.00	

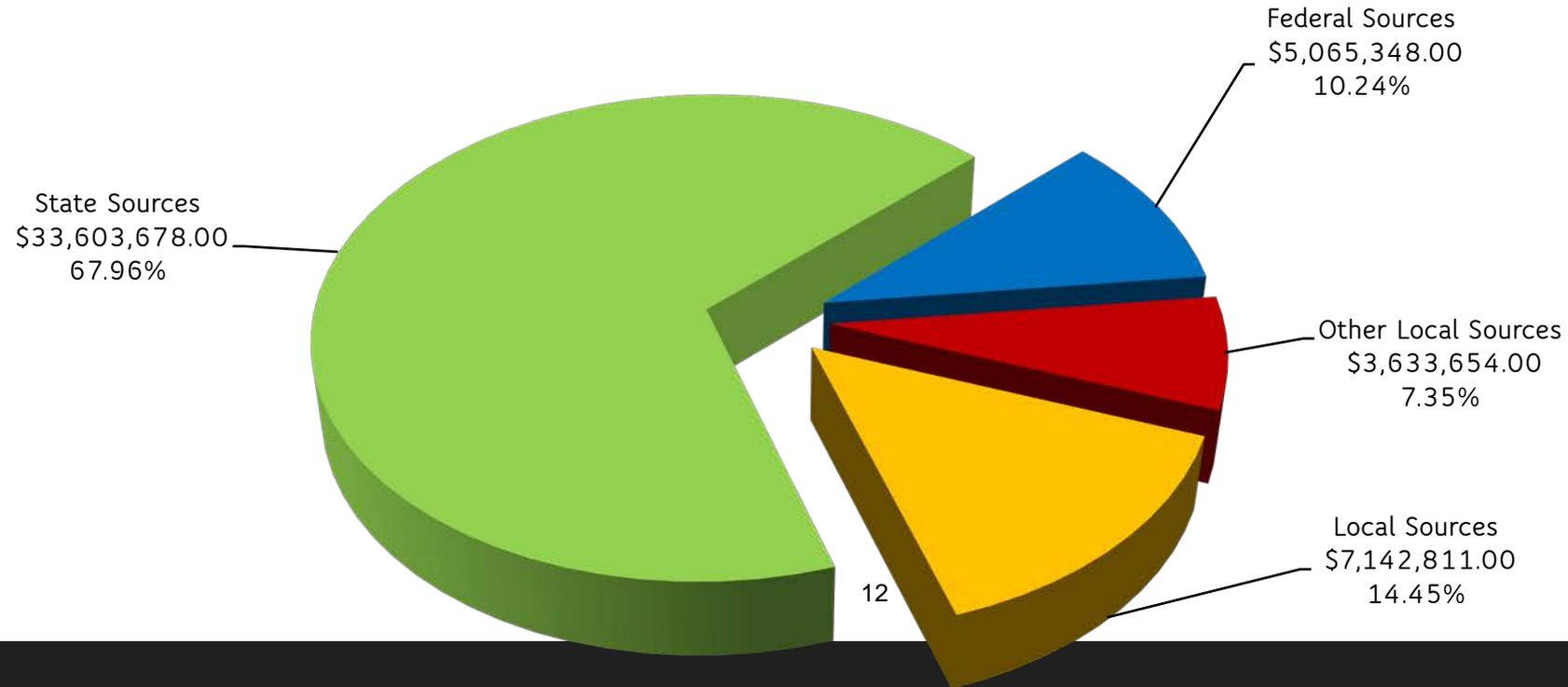


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## 2023-24 Revenues by Source

SOURCE		REVENUE	% of Total Budget All Funds
001-019	Local Sources	\$ 7,142,811.00	14.45%
200-399	State Sources	\$ 33,603,678.00	67.96%
400-599	Federal Sources	\$ 5,065,348.00	10.24%
020-099,601-649	Other Local Sources	\$ 3,633,654.00	7.35%
	Total Revenues All Funds	\$ 49,445,491.00	



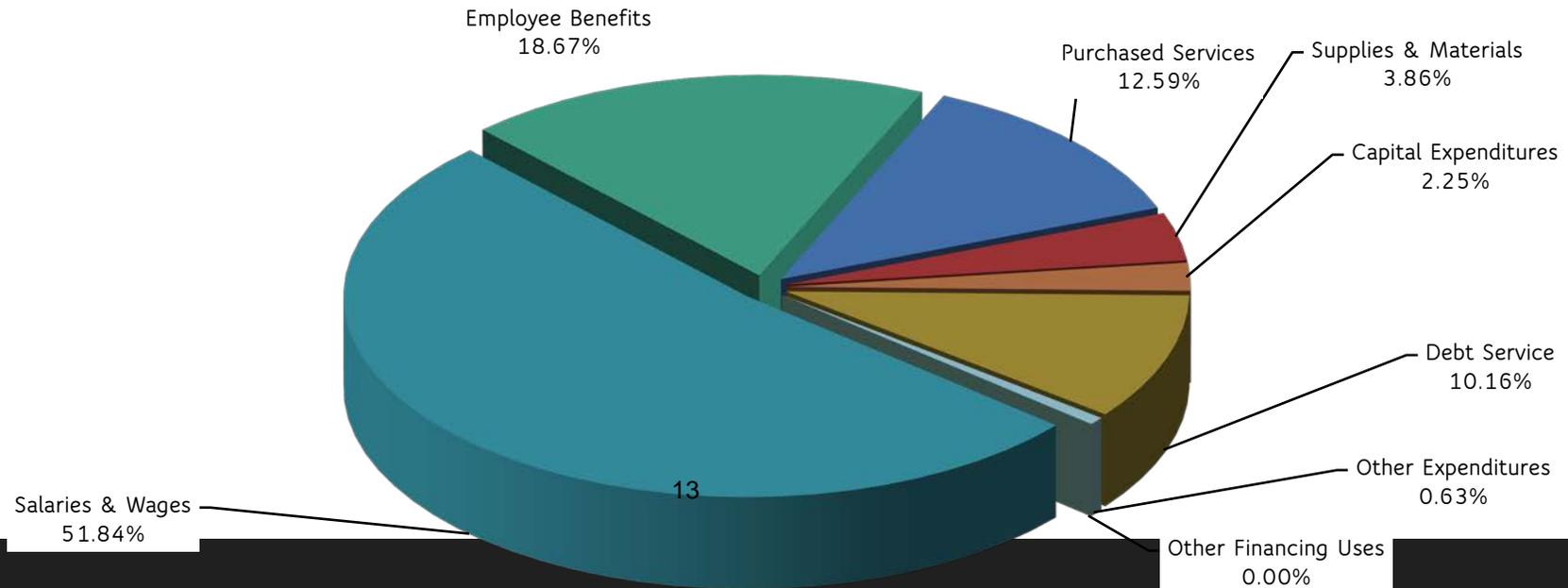
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## 2023-24 Expense by Area

OBJ		EXPENSE	% of Total Budget All Funds
100-199	Salaries & Wages	\$ 25,762,507.00	51.84%
200-299	Employee Benefits	\$ 9,279,314.00	18.67%
300-399	Purchased Services	\$ 6,254,349.00	12.59%
400-499	Supplies & Materials	\$ 1,918,586.00	3.86%
500-599	Capital Expenditures	\$ 1,115,679.00	2.25%
700-799	Debt Service	\$ 5,050,950.00	10.16%
800-899	Other Expenditures	\$ 312,471.00	0.63%
900-999	Other Financing Uses	\$ -	0.00%
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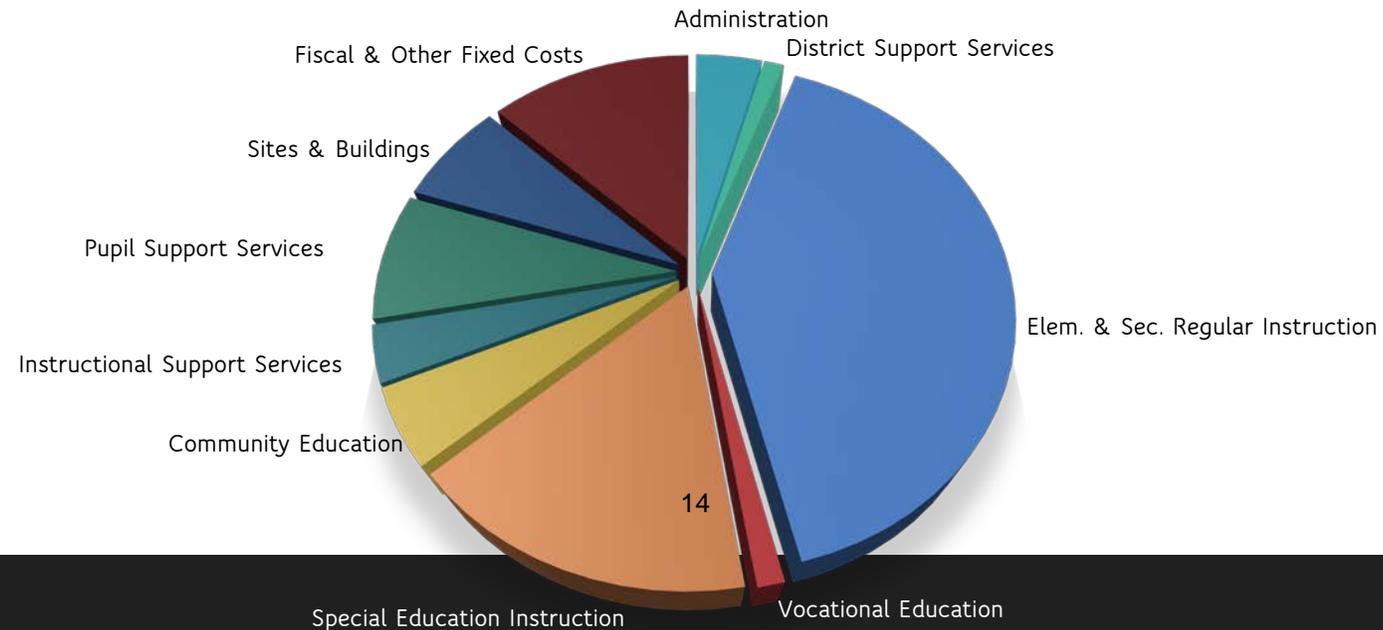
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PRO		EXPENSE	% of Total Budget All Funds
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200-299	Elem. & Sec. Regular Instruction	\$ 20,230,288.00	40.71%
300-399	Vocational Education	\$ 623,041.00	1.25%
400-499	Special Education Instruction	\$ 7,975,900.00	16.05%
500-599	Community Education	\$ 2,438,077.00	4.91%
600-699	Instructional Support Services	\$ 1,776,128.00	3.57%
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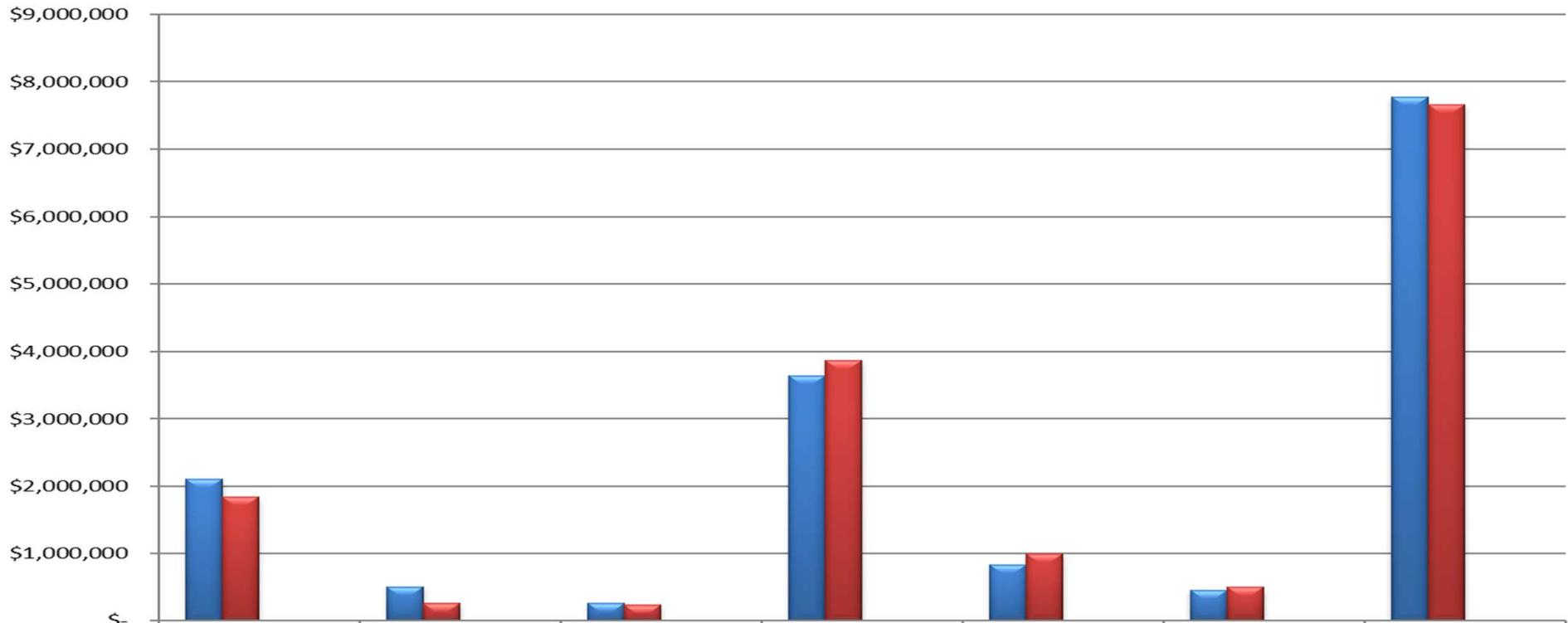
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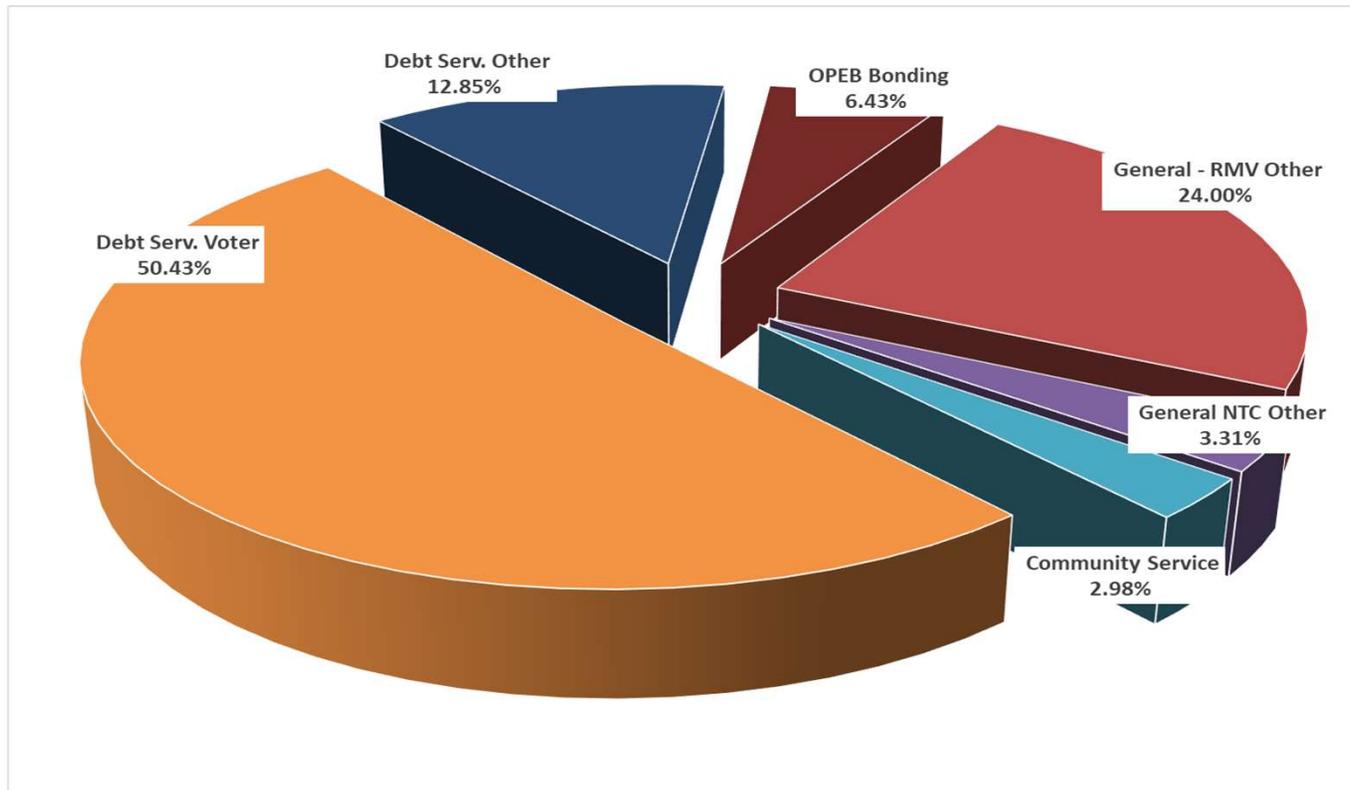


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Change Pay23 to Pay24	\$(262,840.88)	\$(246,061.01)	\$(27,275.12)	\$228,440.49	\$159,647.50	\$40,167.68	\$(107,921.34)
Percent Change	-12.50%	-49.22%	-10.69%	6.28%	19.36%	8.87%	-1.39%

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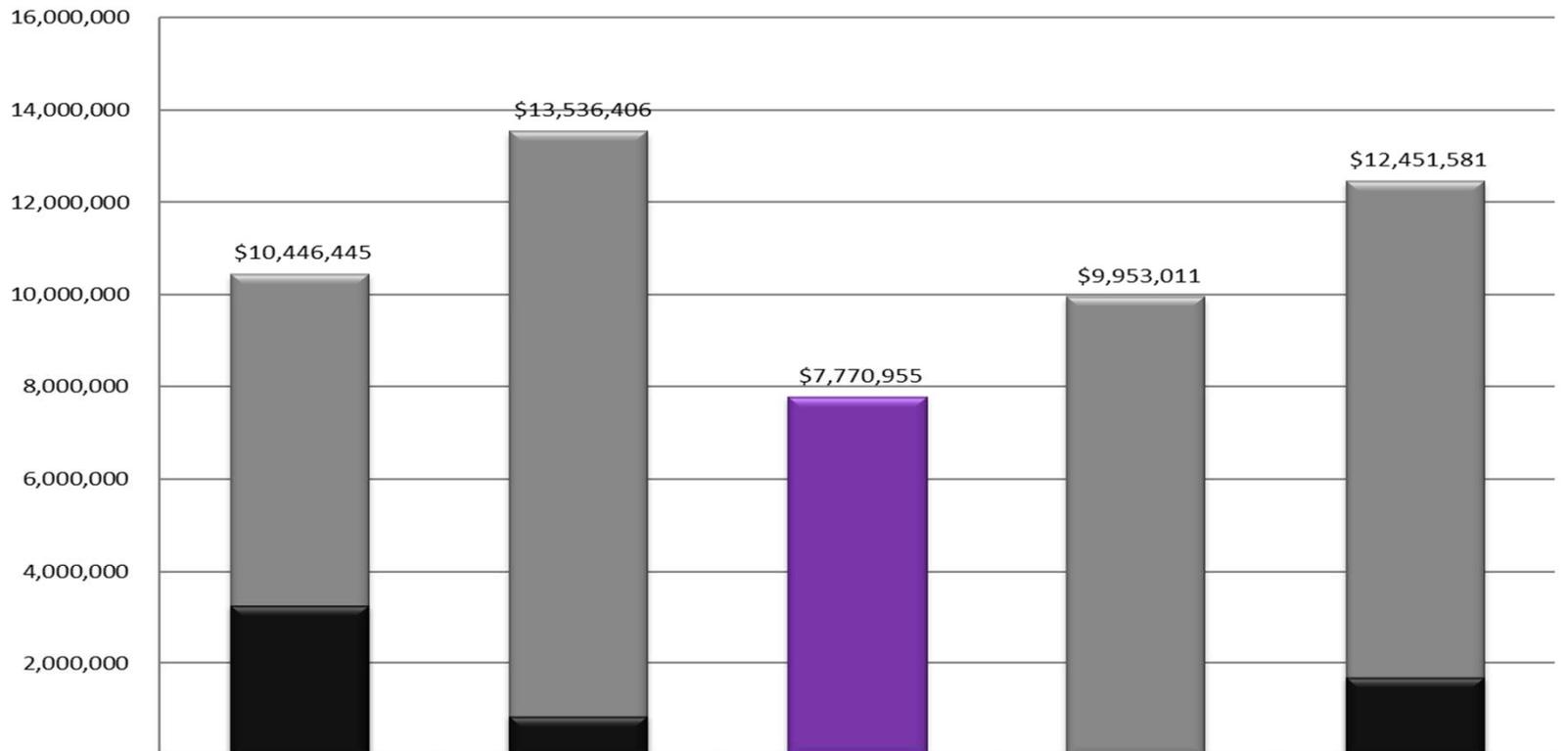


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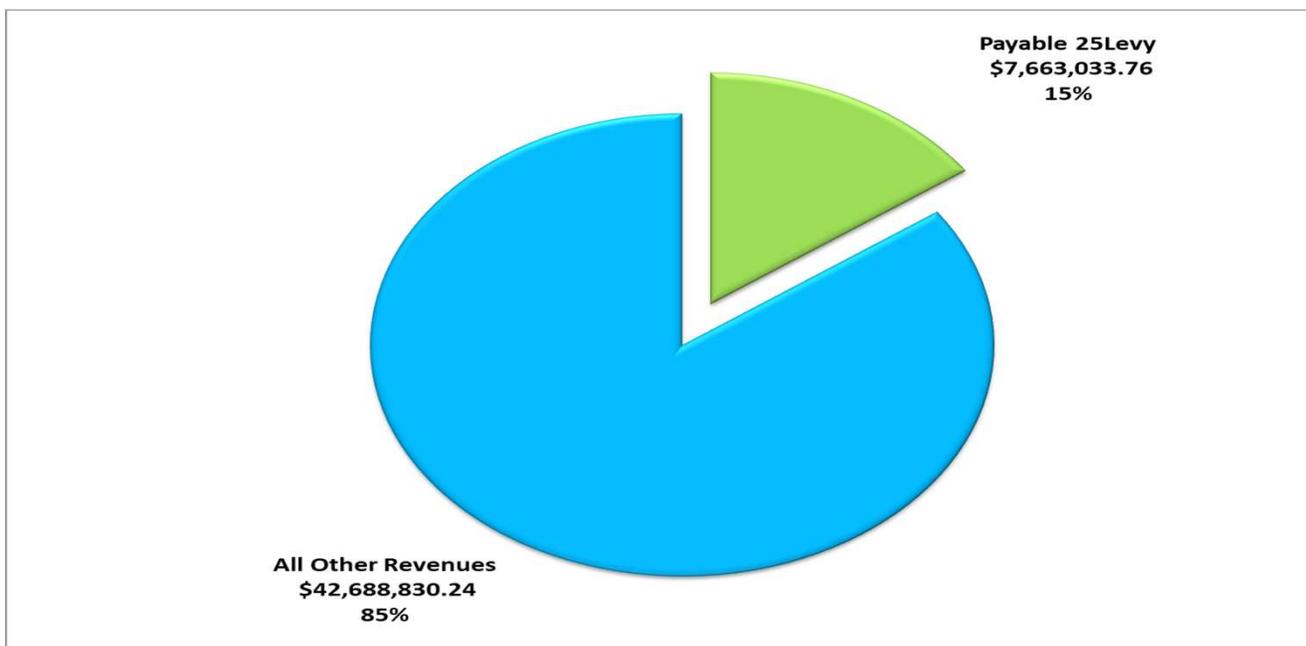
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■ PAY25 PROPOSED LEVY	\$10,446,445	\$13,536,406	\$7,770,955	\$9,953,011	\$12,451,581
■ Referendum/Pupil Unit	1059.97	310.88	-	-	613.82
■ Operating Referendum	3,258,559.77	867,044.32	-	-	1,707,892.77

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Payable 2025 Final Levy as a Component of Revenue Budget

Payable 24 Levy	\$ 7,663,033.76	15%
All Other Revenues	\$ 42,688,830.24	85%
Full Budget	\$ 50,351,864.00	

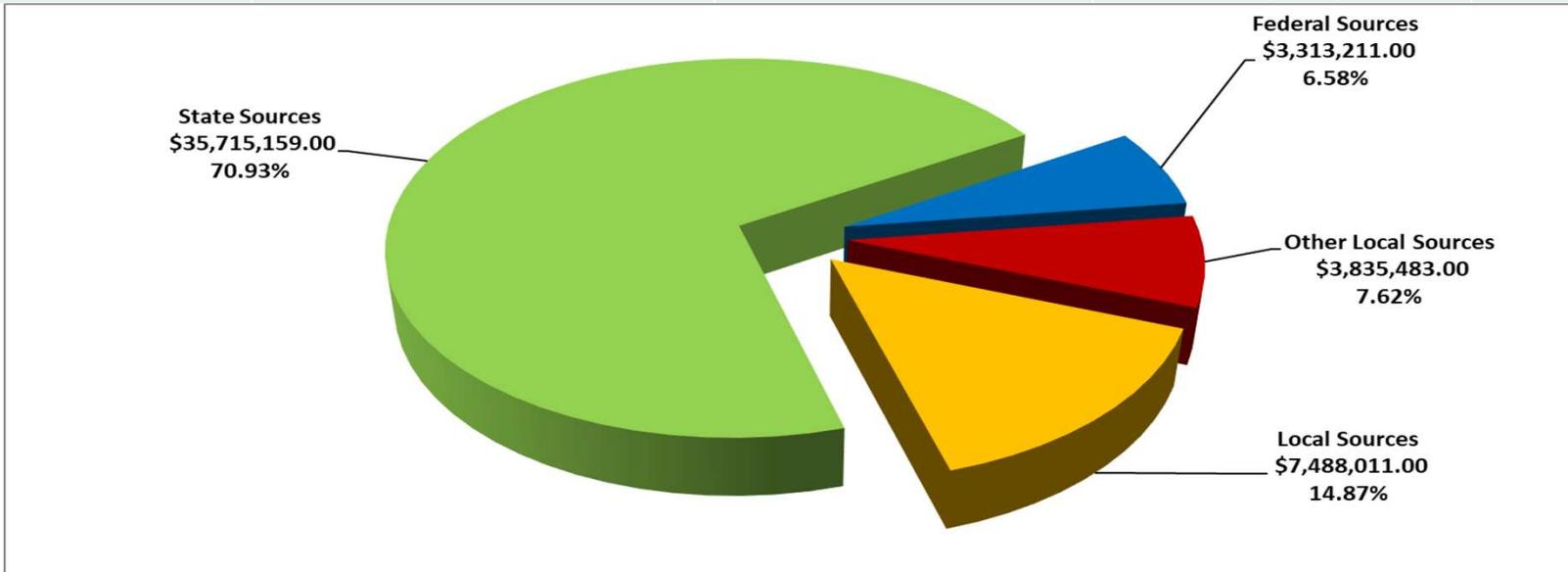


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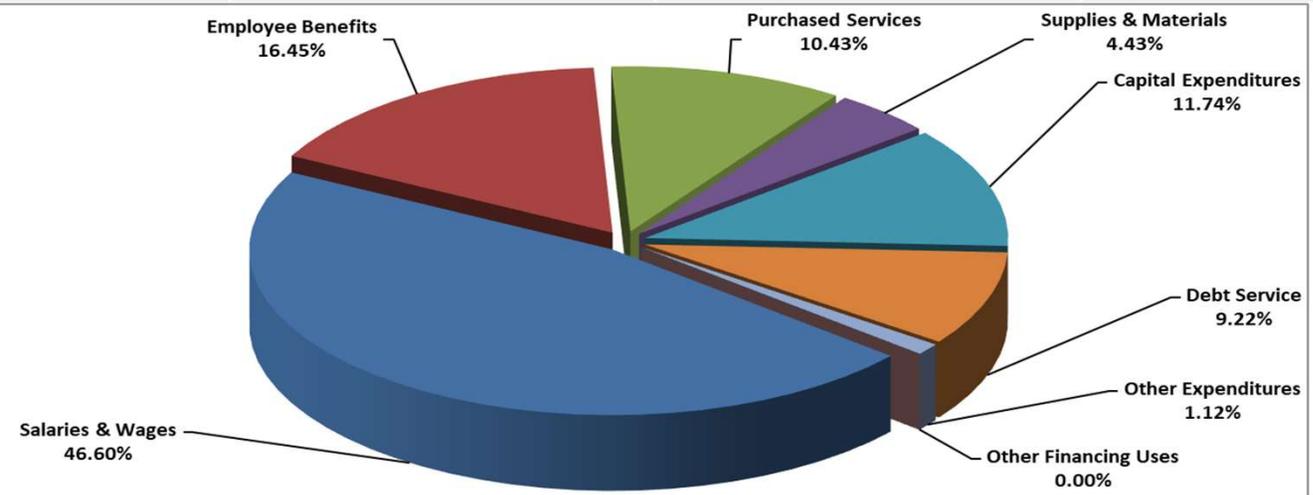
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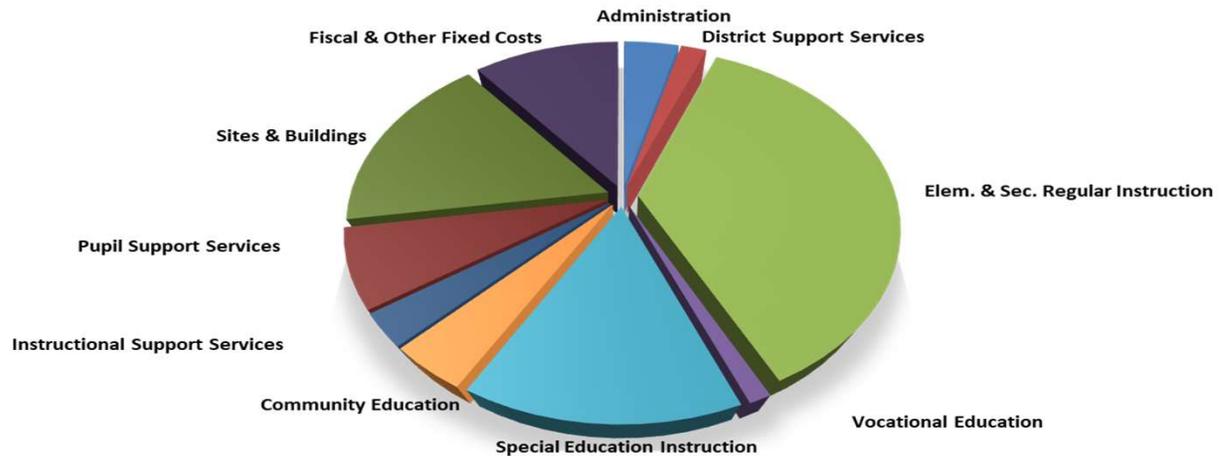
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## QUESTIONS

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 94

Cloquet, Minnesota  
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RESOLVED by \_\_\_\_\_

That the School Board of Independent School District No. 94 hereby approves the 2024 School Levy for Taxes Payable in 2025, as presented (copies on file in the Superintendent’s Office).

Motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by member \_\_\_\_\_ and it was declared adopted on the following vote:

	YEA	NAY	
NATE SANDMAN, CHAIR			PASSED: December 9, 2024
MELISSA JUNTUNEN, CLERK			
DAVE BATTAGLIA, TREASURER			BOARD CHAIR:
SARAH BUHS			
GARY HUARD			ATTEST (BOARD CLERK):