

From the Town of Silverthorne

Silverthorne estimates that each new residential unit added to our Town costs the Town \$800/year NET in services provided versus sales tax generated. We depend primarily on sales tax and do not assess a property tax.

Sales Tax On utilities: assuming an average utility cost of \$225 per residential unit per month, at the Town of Silverthorne and County combined sales tax rate of 4%, this generates \$108/residential unit.

Revenue from New Residents: Based on spending data from the Consumer Expenditure Survey (CES) from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), based on the weighted average spending by household income level, it is estimated that new households will spend around \$25,600 annually on retail-oriented purchases that could be captured by Silverthorne's sales tax. Without data to inform retail spending patterns of residents, it is assumed that households will spend approximately 75 percent of their annual retail spending in Silverthorne on groceries, household supplies and personal care products and 50 percent of their annual retail spending on restaurants, apparel, and other purchases. Therefore, of the total average annual residential spending of \$25,600 annually would generate \$1,024 per household at the Town of Silverthorne and County combined sales tax rate of 4%.

The Town provides Parks, Events, Arts, and Recreation opportunities, public safety services, public works services (street maintenance, snow plowing, facilities maintenance, parks maintenance, fleet maintenance, etc.) which cost us approximately \$2,000 per year per household.