

**Subject: Translink 2006 and Average Municipal Operating Expenses**

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**Translink Short Summary for 2006 (taken from Oct 24/2005 SUN)**

Total: \$779,000,000

"Every January, the GVRD board appoints 12 mayors or councillors for a one-year term to the board of Translink, the short name for the Greater Vancouver Transportation Authority. Directors choose their board chair.

This year, Translink plans to spend \$779 million on public transit and roads. The three largest revenue sources are translink fares (almost 37 per cent), fuel taxes (33 percent) and property taxes (26 per cent)

Some of Translink's biggest transportation projects: the new Golden Ears Bridge across the Fraser River, the Richmond-Airport-Vancouver rapid transit line and the addition of 400 new buses to the existing 1,300 bus fleet."

**Average B.C. Municipal Operating Expenses:**

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| Public Works           | 20%   |
| Recreation and culture | 16%   |
| Police                 | 15%   |
| Fire and Rescue        | 9.5%  |
| General Government     | 10.5% |
| Other Municipal        | 22%   |

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