

A Utility Users' Tax was imposed by Redwood City in 1984 to be collected on telephone charges, gas and electric charges, and cable TV charges. The rate is currently set at 5% of these billings.

Utility Users' Tax is a general tax and can be used for any governmental purpose. It is the policy of the current City Council to use the revenues generated from this source for capital improvements. During FY 1991/92 bonds were issued for the construction of a new police facility and for refinancing of the bonds issued for the construction of the new library and main fire station. A portion of these bonds were refunded in 1998. The debt service for both the remaining 1991 bonds and the new 1998 is being paid from this source.

Year	\$ Amount	% Increase/ Decrease	Per Capita
1996-97	4,314,569	6.16	58.61
1997-98	4,699,719	8.20	62.36
1998-99	5,034,026	6.64	65.76
1999-00	5,608,189	10.24	73.50
2000-01	7,368,064	23.89	96.06
2001-02	7,500,000	1.76	97.78
2002-03	7,725,000	2.91	100.72
2003-04	7,956,750	2.91	103.74

