



# Montebello

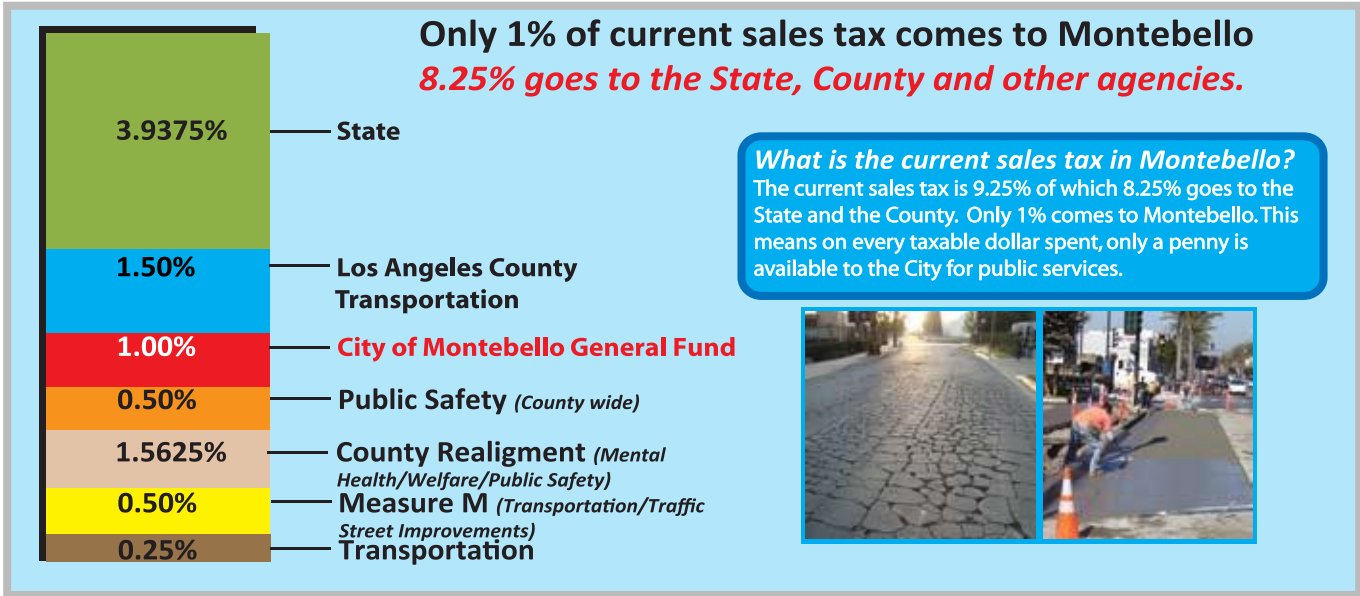
## City Services Protection Measure

(Local Transaction and Use Tax)

### What is the City Services Protection Measure?

The Measure is an additional 1% sales tax, otherwise known as the Local Transaction and Use Tax, on the ballot at the upcoming election on November 7, 2017.

After over 5 years of balanced budgets, the cumulative impact of reduced Federal and State funding and the elimination of the Montebello Redevelopment Agency by the State has drained the City's resources. Since 2012, over \$16.5 million dollars, per year, has been diverted by the State. These dollars could have been used for street repairs, park maintenance, public safety, youth and senior programs, playground improvements, capital improvement projects, affordable housing, economic development and more. During the past 5 years, over \$82.5 million dollars has been taken by the State, reducing City financial resources.



### Other local cities that have adopted a sales tax measure

City	Previous Sales Tax Rate	Additional Sales Tax Rate	Year Adopted	Current Tax Rate	Estimated Annual Revenue	City	Previous Sales Tax Rate	Additional Sales Tax Rate	Year Adopted	Current Tax Rate	Estimated Annual Revenue
Montebello	9.250	0.0%	---	9.250	\$0	Compton	9.250	1.0%	2016	10.250	\$ 9,000,000
Pico Rivera	9.250	1.0%	2008	10.250	\$ 9,000,000	South Gate	9.250	1.0%	2008	10.250	\$ 9,700,000
Long Beach	9.250	1.0%	2016	10.250	\$ 36,000,000	Commerce	9.250	0.5%	2012	9.750	\$ 7,300,000
La Mirada	9.250	1.0%	2012	10.250	\$ 5,700,000	Downey	9.250	0.5%	2016	9.750	\$ 9,000,000
Lynwood	9.250	1.0%	2016	10.250	\$ 4,500,000	El Monte	9.250	0.5%	2008	9.750	\$ 4,000,000

The 1% (**a penny for each dollar**) sales tax, if approved by voters, will provide approximately \$9 million dollars in new revenues per year. These dollars could be used for street repairs, park maintenance, tree trimming, youth and senior programs, playground improvements, ball fields, public safety programs such as gang enforcement unit, crime prevention unit, fire prevention and education programs.

The Measure will include an independent citizens' advisory committee to provide oversight and recommendations for the City's new revenues. The Measure requires annual financial audits and expenditure reports to be prepared and published for public review.

The one penny per dollar will NOT apply to food purchased as groceries, rent, mortgages, utilities, prescription medicine, or personal services, such as medical or dental services and will NOT affect property taxes.



**Provide safe roads** by funding repair of potholes and sidewalks, improve main thoroughfare and **residential streets**, repair and maintain the city's aging sewer system and other infrastructure repairs



Enhance the quality of life by funding **youth and senior recreational activities**, such as swim lessons, youth sport programs and senior clubs



Ensure adequate funding for parks, to maintain and **improve playgrounds and ball fields**



**911** Preserve and sustain Montebello's **city run Police and Fire Department**, to ensure quick emergency response times



**Hire more police officers and firefighters** to increase public safety services, **saving lives and keeping the community safe**



Ensure **fire engines** and **emergency vehicles** are equipped with updated equipment



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