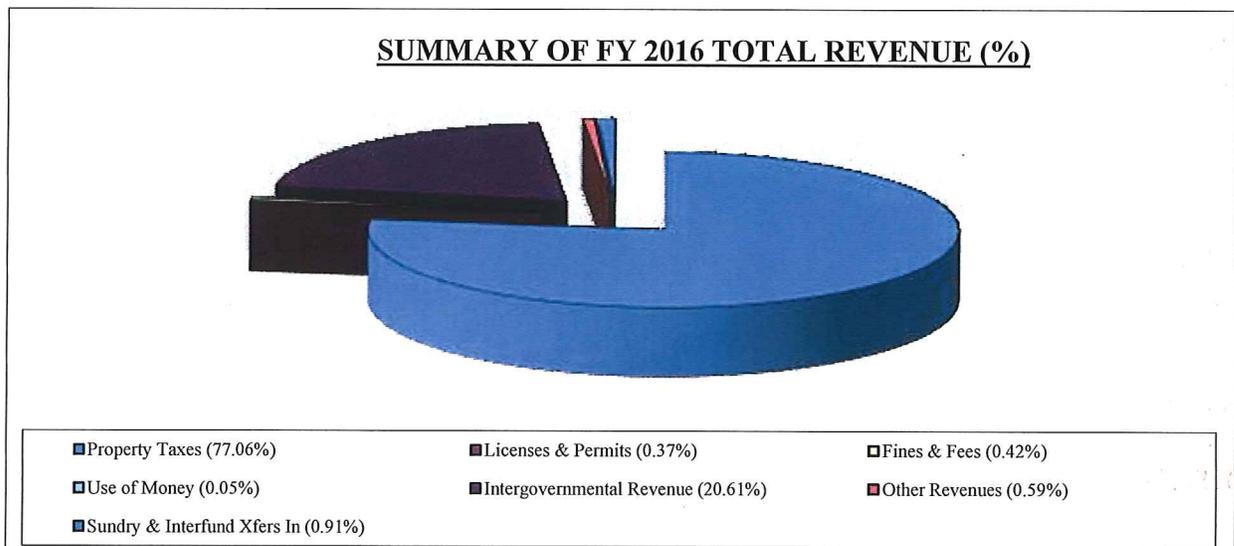


## REVENUE OVERVIEW

Within Plainville's budget for FY 2016, there are seven (7) major revenue categories: Property Taxes, Licenses & Permits, Fines & Fees, Use of Money, Intergovernmental Revenue, Other Revenues, and Sundry & Interfund Transfers In as shown in the following chart. The total adopted revenue budget must equal the total adopted expenditures budget to comply with the State requirements of a balanced budget.

	<b>FY 2014 Adopted</b>	<b>FY 2015 Adopted</b>	<b>FY 2016 Adopted</b>	<b>Difference 2015 - 2016</b>
Property Taxes	\$ 42,129,453	\$ 42,555,566	\$ 43,543,448	\$ 987,882
Licenses & Permits	176,450	206,550	206,600	50
Fines & Fees	226,450	216,450	235,950	19,500
Use of Money	25,500	25,500	25,500	-
Intergovernmental	11,434,845	11,568,359	11,643,847	75,488
Other Revenues	328,000	322,496	334,496	12,000
Sundry & Xfers In	324,062	530,056	514,840	(15,216)
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 54,644,760</b>	<b>\$ 55,424,977</b>	<b>\$ 56,504,681</b>	<b>\$ 1,079,704</b>



- To produce a balanced budget, estimates revenues must match expenditures. The main source of revenue for the Town is the property tax. The October 1, 2014 Grand List increased by \$9,780,056 from \$1,355,575,604 to \$1,365,355,660. This represents a 0.72147% increase in Plainville's taxable property.
- Licenses & Permits are estimated to increase due to Building permits increasing as the economy becomes a little more advantageous for building and renovating.
- Intergovernmental Revenue is estimated to increase primarily due to an increase in the School Transportation Grant being budgeted by the State of CT.

- Sundry & Interfund Transfers In decreased due to the use of debt management funds not being budgeted. In fact, the General Fund budget for FY 2016 will put funds back into this fund for future use.

**TAXES: Property Taxes and Assessments**

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Taxes are a mainstay of financing for local governments. Taxes may be levied against real property taxes, personal property, and motor vehicles. Other budgeted tax revenues are interest, penalties, and lien fees on delinquent taxes.

Property taxes are the largest and most important component of Town revenue sources. All revenues that cannot be generated from State aid, licenses, fees, etc. must be derived from the property tax levy.

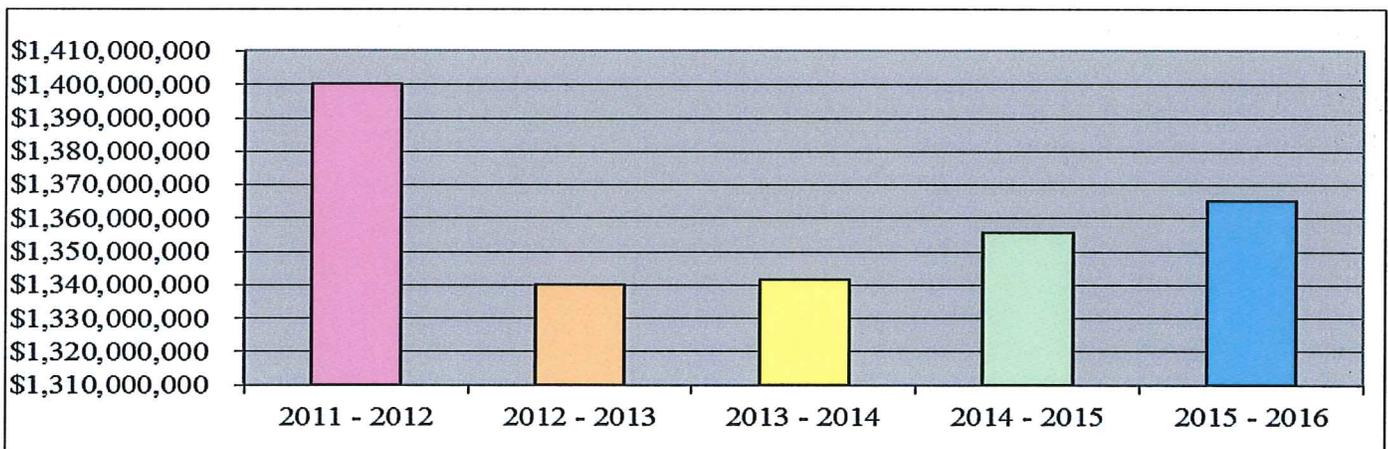
It is estimated that the General Fund will yield \$43,543,448 in taxes and assessments in total for fiscal year 2015 - 2016. This is an increase of \$987,882.

The total of all taxable property in the Town of Plainville minus exemptions is commonly known as the "net grand list (NGL)." Any growth in the NGL helps to offset any growth in budgeted expenditures, since mill rate (tax rate) is calculated based on the total valuation of all taxable property within the boundry of the Town. The October 1, 2014 NGL increased by \$9,780,056 from \$1,355,575,604 to \$1,365,355,660. This represents a 0.72147% increase in Plainville's taxable property.

The following chart presents the annual net grand list growth for the last five-year period:

**Town of Plainville  
Net Grand List (NGL)  
Last 5 Budget Years**

October 1, Fiscal Year	2010 2011 - 2012	2011 2012 - 2013	2012 2013 - 2014	2013 2014 - 2015	2014 2015 - 2016
NGL	\$ 1,400,251,680	\$ 1,340,288,705	\$ 1,341,620,870	\$ 1,355,575,604	\$ 1,365,355,660



**TAX RATE**

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The tax rate is expressed in terms of "mills" with one mill equivalent to one dollar of tax for every one thousand dollars of assessed value. The tax levy is a computation by the total amount of budgeted tax revenue

necessary to be raised from property taxes taking into account allowances for estimated uncollectible taxes. Based on a NGL of \$1,365,355,660, applying grants and non-tax revenue, it will be necessary to finance \$43,543,448 or 77.06% from property taxes. This will require a mill rate of 31.83, an increase of 0.45 mills or 1.42%. The mill rate is calculated as follows:

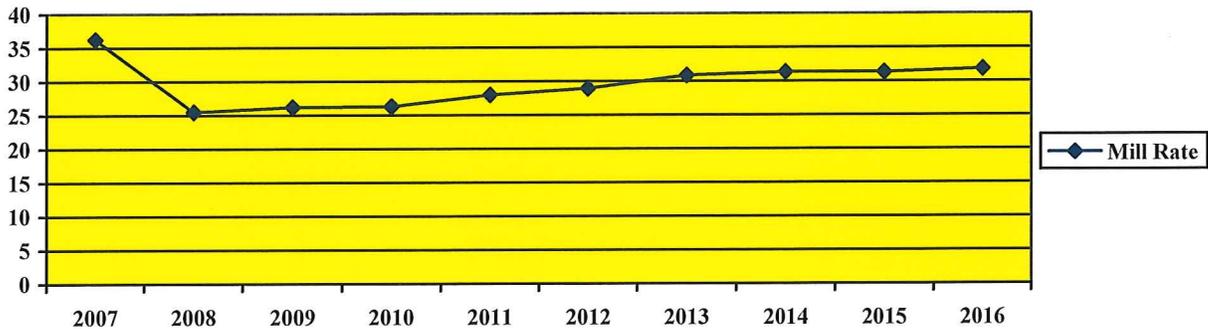
<b>Expenditure Budget Change</b>		<b>Revenue Budget Change</b>	
Board of Education	\$ 749,937	Motor Vehicle Supp	\$ 80,000
Town Government	254,767	Intergovernmental	75,488
Capital Projects	75,000	Fines & Fees	19,500
Debt Service	-	Other Revenues	12,000
		Licenses & Permits	50
		Sundry & Xfers In	(15,216)
		Subtotal Direct Rev	171,822
		Current Taxes	907,882
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>\$ 1,079,704</b>	<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 1,079,704</b>

Gross expenditures	\$ 56,504,681
Less direct revenue estimates	(13,966,733)
Net budget	42,537,948
Use of fund balance	(200,000)
Adjustment for uncollected taxes @ 2.6%	1,130,171
Amount to be raised	<b>43,468,119</b>
Value of 1 mill at 97.4% collection rate	\$ 1,365,356
	<b>43,468,119</b>
Calculate mill rate	<b>1,365,356 = 31.83 mills</b>

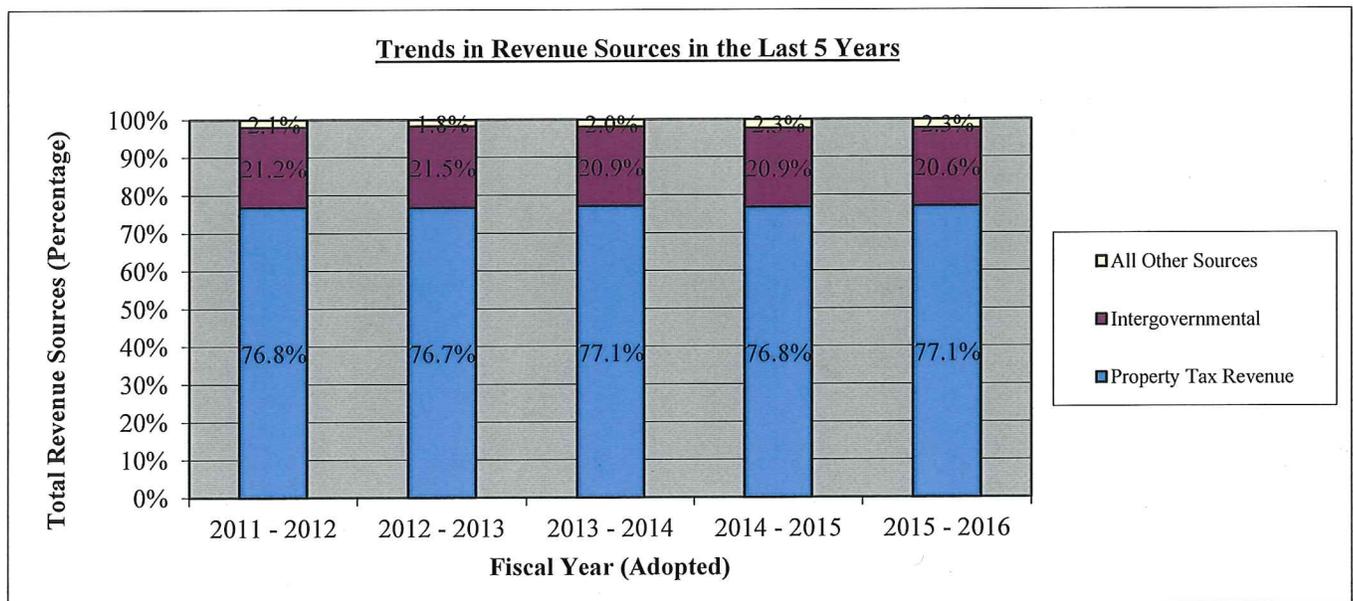
**Tracking the Mill Rate and Grand List  
FY's 2002 – 2016**

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Town Manager Proposed Mill Rate</b>	<b>Town Council Approved Mill Rate</b>	<b>Grand List Year</b>	<b>Grand List Value</b>	<b>Current Year Tax Levy</b>
2002 *	32.38	30.38	2000	\$ 883,618,807	\$ 26,844,339
2003	34.26	32.06	2001	898,874,926	28,817,930
2004	34.96	33.55	2002	917,444,217	30,780,253
2005	36.75	33.33	2003	930,695,700	31,020,088
2006	35.66	34.50	2004	948,434,120	32,720,977
2007	37.80	36.28	2005	957,924,310	34,753,493
2008 *	26.59	25.50	2006	1,372,298,640	33,915,344
2009	27.83	26.24	2007	1,384,431,320	35,215,438
2010	27.17	26.33	2008	1,388,227,300	35,595,339
2011	28.58	28.01	2009	1,390,764,460	37,939,148
2012	29.69	28.98	2010	1,400,251,680	39,526,221
2013 *	31.00	30.89	2011	1,340,288,705	40,327,566
2014	31.38	31.38	2012	1,341,620,870	41,003,953
2015	31.76	31.38	2013	1,355,575,604	41,430,066
2016	32.13	31.83	2014	1,365,355,660	42,337,948

\* Revaluation Year



Shown in the chart above are the approved mill rates for the last ten (10) fiscal years. Additional information regarding approved mill rates can be found in the "Citizen's Guide to the Budget" section.



The above table illustrates the percentages of the operating budget funded by various revenue sources over the last five (5) fiscal years. The most striking feature of the breakdown of revenue sources is the extent to which the Town budget is dependent on just two sources: local property taxes and intergovernmental revenue, predominantly from the State of CT. As the second largest source of General Fund revenues, State Aid has a considerable impact on property tax rate. Most sources of State Aid are formula driven and therefore are affected not only by total funding levels state-wide, but also by numerous variables such as the Town's population, the Town's grand list relative to other towns, income levels relative to other towns, student enrollment figures, and various demographic characteristics. The remaining revenue sources, including permits, licenses, fees for services, investment income, and miscellaneous sources, combine for just 2.3% in the 2015 - 2016 budget.

## INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE

Local governments depend on state and federal aid to supplement their property tax and other revenue sources. The estimated allocations to Plainville are based on the state's publication Estimates of State Formula Aid to Municipalities: Fiscal Year 2013 - 2014, Fiscal Year 2014 - 2015, and Fiscal Year 2015 - 2016 originally distributed by the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management in February 2014 and updated in February 2015. The budgeted grant amounts for fiscal year 2015 - 2016 reflects estimates provided by the State in April 2015 and the Governor's Budget.

Listed below are the State of Connecticut statutory formula grants to be paid to the Town of Plainville:

<b>Federal and State Grants</b>	<b>Actual Grant Amount Received 2013 - 2014</b>	<b>Budgeted Grant Amount 2014 - 2015</b>	<b>Estimated Grant Amount 2015 - 2016</b>
Special ed excess cost grant	\$ 106,711	\$ -	\$ -
Education cost sharing grant	10,369,592	10,405,528	10,405,528
School transportation grant	128,873	121,854	164,937
PILOT - State property	16,167	17,647	16,382
PILOT - veteran's exemption	22,862	22,000	22,000
PILOT - elderly freeze	2,000	2,500	2,500
PILOT - elderly circuit breaker	146,341	150,000	150,000
PILOT - totally disabled	4,243	3,600	3,600
Plane registration	8,200	8,200	8,200
Pequot grant	84,669	85,501	89,305
Youth services grant	30,483	30,000	30,000
Misc. State grants	28,330	30,000	30,000
Telecommunications	46,711	55,000	55,000
Grants for municipal projects	356,052	509,690	541,936
Town Aid Road 50% grant	153,638	-	-
LoCIP	180,756	126,839	124,459
<b>Total Federal and State Grants</b>	<b>\$ 11,685,628</b>	<b>\$ 11,568,359</b>	<b>\$ 11,643,847</b>

## LICENSES, FEES AND PERMITS

Local indicators, such as new construction, are important factor that relates directly to the budgeted estimated revenues for building permit fees and recording and conveyance fees (primarily property transfer documents).

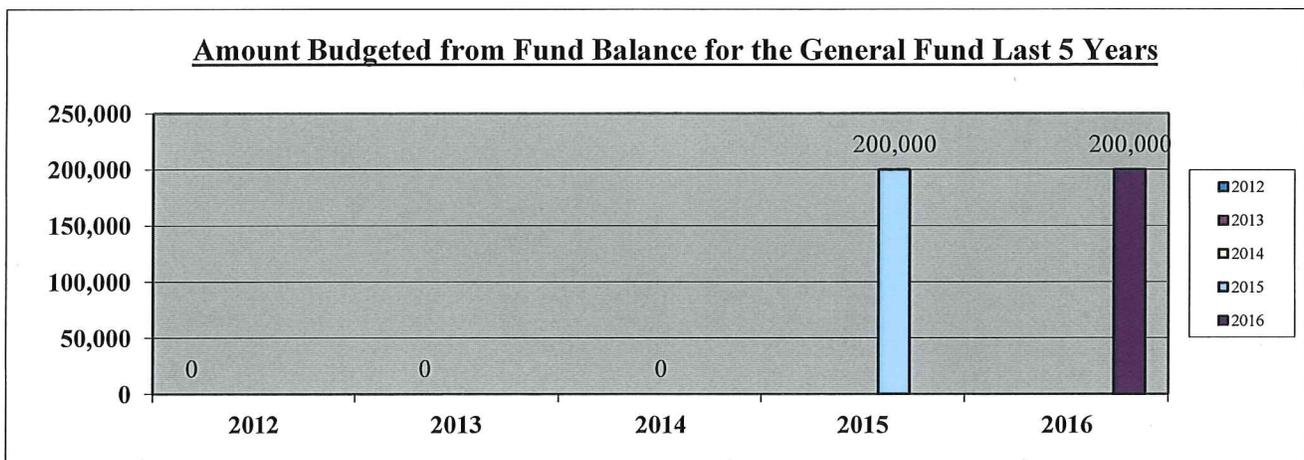
There is a continuing trend toward steady residential and commercial planned growth in Plainville. The Town continues to upgrade and expand Town provided amenities, including high quality educational, recreational, and cultural facilities, while maintaining comparatively low tax rates.

Licenses, fees, and permits revenue for all Town funds are estimated to increase slightly from the 2014 - 2015 levels. However, these revenue sources are budgeted within reasonable limits. Fees are based on estimates from the Building Department with activity anticipated to remain at or above the FY 2014 - 2015 level.

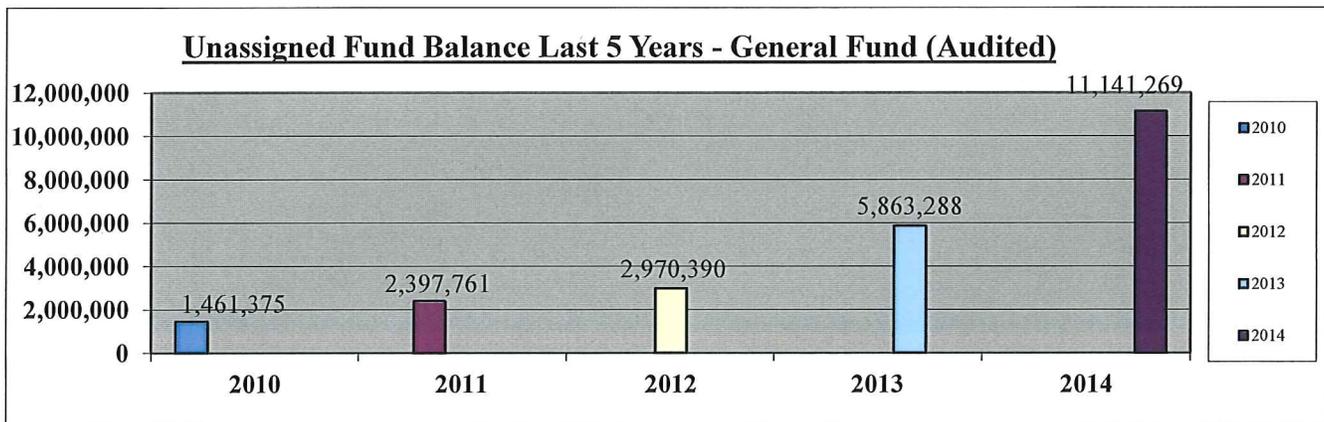
## FUND BALANCE

Fund Balance is a measure of the Town's capacity to withstand financial emergencies or to undertake unforeseen, but necessary, projects. Rating agencies place special emphasis on fund balance when assigning bond ratings to municipalities and view adequate fund balance as an indication of sound financial management.

A policy was established several years ago to reduce the reliance on General Fund Unassigned Fund-Balance to balance the operating needs of the Town. As a result, a plan was established to lower the use of the General Fund's fund balance yearly until it reaches \$-0-, which the 2010 – 2011 budget achieved, continuing every year until FY 2015. In this year, the Town Council felt it was prudent to keep the mill rate the same by utilizing \$200,000 of unassigned fund balance in light of additional, unbudgeted revenues being returned to the General Fund in FY 2014. The Town Council has again thought it prudent to use the same amount of unassigned fund balance in the FY 2016 budget, \$200,000. It is anticipated the Town Council will return to not using fund balance to balance the operating needs of the Town in years where there is not a significant return of unbudgeted revenues.



Shown below is a graph illustrating the Town of Plainville's Unassigned Fund Balance during the last five years:



**Town of Plainville, Connecticut**  
**Adopted Town of Plainville Revenue Budget Detail - Fiscal Year 2015 - 2016**  
**As of April 28, 2015**

Town of Plainville Revenue	2013 - 2014		2014 - 2015		2015 - 2016			
	Actual		Received		Estimated	Increase/(Decrease)		
	Received	Budgeted	Date	Estimated	Budget	\$	%	
<b>Property Taxes</b>								
41010	Current taxes	\$ 40,545,235	\$ 41,430,066	\$ 40,879,565	\$ 41,200,000	\$ 42,337,948	\$ 907,882	2.19%
41015	Prior taxes	801,434	500,000	632,370	650,000	500,000	-	0.00%
41020	Motor vehicle supp	427,625	320,000	423,038	425,000	400,000	80,000	25.00%
41040	Suspense	40,563	25,000	20,768	25,000	25,000	-	0.00%
41050	Interest	610,208	275,000	360,685	375,000	275,000	-	0.00%
41060	Liens/misc	34,573	5,500	5,287	5,500	5,500	-	0.00%
	<b>Total Property Taxes</b>	<b>42,459,638</b>	<b>42,555,566</b>	<b>42,321,713</b>	<b>42,680,500</b>	<b>43,543,448</b>	<b>987,882</b>	<b>2.32%</b>
<b>Licenses &amp; Permits</b>								
42110	Building permits	365,703	200,000	325,275	350,000	200,000	-	0.00%
42111	Building permits - State fee	172	200	151	200	200	-	0.00%
42120	Police permits	8,650	5,000	6,475	7,000	5,000	-	0.00%
42940	Dog licenses	1,985	1,000	636	1,000	1,000	-	0.00%
42960	Solid waste licenses	500	350	400	500	400	50	14.29%
	<b>Total Licenses &amp; Permits</b>	<b>377,010</b>	<b>206,550</b>	<b>332,937</b>	<b>358,700</b>	<b>206,600</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>0.02%</b>
<b>Fines &amp; Fees</b>								
43114	Condo fees	44,595	45,000	49,567	49,567	47,500	2,500	5.56%
43115	Building fees	733	1,200	660	750	1,200	-	0.00%
43116	Bounced check fees	900	1,000	560	700	1,000	-	0.00%
43117	MV delinquent fee	20,990	12,500	24,755	26,000	17,500	5,000	40.00%
43120	Police fines	5,273	2,500	3,659	4,000	2,500	-	0.00%
43125	Police fees	53,626	32,000	49,648	55,000	32,000	-	0.00%
43126	Impound fees	1,895	3,000	2,390	2,600	3,000	-	0.00%
43130	Town Clerk filing fees	1,238	2,000	1,024	1,200	2,000	-	0.00%
43135	Vital statistics	15,863	11,000	11,743	12,000	11,000	-	0.00%
43140	Recording fees	88,417	82,000	72,482	82,000	82,000	-	0.00%
43150	Planning & Zoning fees	3,596	5,000	5,756	6,000	5,000	-	0.00%
43160	ZBA fees	1,657	3,000	2,172	2,200	3,000	-	0.00%
43185	Senior Center fees	29,920	8,000	7,489	8,000	8,000	-	0.00%
43190	Senior Center health fees	-	-	-	13,200	12,000	12,000	100.00%
43195	Trash container fees	2,322	1,750	2,360	2,500	1,750	-	0.00%
43196	Tipping fees	9,670	6,000	6,490	7,000	6,000	-	0.00%
43198	Miscellaneous fees	1,204	500	266	350	500	-	0.00%
	<b>Total Fines &amp; Fees</b>	<b>281,899</b>	<b>216,450</b>	<b>241,021</b>	<b>273,067</b>	<b>235,950</b>	<b>19,500</b>	<b>9.01%</b>

**Town of Plainville, Connecticut**  
**Adopted Town of Plainville Revenue Budget Detail - Fiscal Year 2015 - 2016**  
**As of April 28, 2015**

Town of Plainville Revenue	2013 - 2014		2014 - 2015		2015 - 2016		
	Actual Received	Budgeted	Received Date	Estimated	Estimated Budget	Increase/(Decrease) \$ %	
<b>Use of Money</b>							
44110 Investment income	\$ 30,256	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,071	\$ 30,000	\$ 25,000	\$ -	0.00%
44114 Condo fee interest	1,436	500	769	800	500	-	0.00%
Total Use of Money	31,692	25,500	25,840	30,800	25,500	-	0.00%
<b>Intergovernmental Revenue</b>							
45301 Special ed AP I grant	3,000	-	-	-	-	-	0.00%
45302 Special ed excess cost grant	103,711	-	-	-	-	-	0.00%
45304 Education cost sharing grant	10,369,592	10,405,528	10,463,805	10,463,805	10,405,528	-	0.00%
45307 School transportation grant	128,873	121,854	161,034	161,034	164,937	43,083	35.36%
45310 PILOT - State property	16,167	17,647	17,664	17,664	16,382	(1,265)	-7.17%
45418 PILOT - veteran's exemption	22,862	22,000	23,686	23,686	22,000	-	0.00%
45420 PILOT - elderly freeze	2,000	2,500	2,000	2,000	2,500	-	0.00%
45425 PILOT - elderly circuit breaker	146,341	150,000	152,604	152,604	150,000	-	0.00%
45435 PILOT - totally disabled	4,243	3,600	3,924	3,924	3,600	-	0.00%
45445 Plane registration	8,200	8,200	8,110	8,200	8,200	-	0.00%
45500 Pequot grant	84,669	85,501	56,349	89,745	89,305	3,804	4.45%
45530 Youth services grant	30,483	30,000	30,483	30,483	30,000	-	0.00%
45542 Misc. State grants	28,330	30,000	31,873	40,000	30,000	-	0.00%
45543 Telecommunications	46,711	55,000	45,347	45,347	55,000	-	0.00%
45545 Grants for Municipal projects	356,052	509,690	509,690	509,690	541,936	32,246	6.33%
45546 Town Aid Road - 50% grant	153,638	-	-	-	-	-	0.00%
45570 LoCIP	180,756	126,839	-	126,839	124,459	(2,380)	-1.88%
Total Intergovernmental	11,685,628	11,568,359	11,506,569	11,675,021	11,643,847	75,488	0.65%
<b>Other Revenues</b>							
48212 Conveyance tax	175,522	135,000	99,176	135,000	135,000	-	0.00%
48217 PILOT - Housing Authority	47,615	34,496	20,415	34,496	34,496	-	0.00%
48262 Taxpayer reimbursements	1,360	-	(1,275)	-	-	-	0.00%
48298 Miscellaneous - BOE	-	-	20	20	-	-	0.00%
48299 Miscellaneous - other	180,998	153,000	213,201	220,000	165,000	12,000	7.84%
Total Other Revenues	405,495	322,496	331,537	389,516	334,496	12,000	3.72%
<b>Sundry &amp; Interfund Transfers In</b>							
49101 Interfund transfer in - WPCF	299,676	305,670	305,670	305,670	314,840	9,170	3.00%
49102 Use of fund balance	-	200,000	-	200,000	200,000	-	0.00%
49104 Interfund transfer in - Debt Manage	24,386	24,386	24,386	24,386	-	(24,386)	-100.00%
49106 Interfund transfer in - Other Funds	4,688,184	-	-	-	-	-	0.00%
49107 Sale of fixed assets	150	-	-	-	-	-	0.00%
Total Sundry & Interfund Transfers In	5,012,396	530,056	330,056	530,056	514,840	(15,216)	-2.87%
<b>Total Town of Plainville Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 60,253,758</b>	<b>\$ 55,424,977</b>	<b>\$ 55,089,673</b>	<b>\$ 55,937,660</b>	<b>\$ 56,504,681</b>	<b>\$ 1,079,704</b>	<b>1.95%</b>

## **REVENUES**

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### **Property Taxes**

**41010 Current Taxes** - property taxes levied on the current Grand List

**41015 Prior Taxes** - property taxes estimated to be collected on prior years' Grand Lists

**41020 Motor Vehicle Supplement** - property tax levied on motor vehicles (not included on the October Grand List)

**41040 Suspense** – property taxes that are removed from the Grand List after fifteen (15) years but payments are made subsequent to the fifteen-year period

**41050 Interest** - applied to late tax payments

**41060 Liens/misc** - charges on real property for the release of filing in the Town Clerk's Office

### **Licenses & Permits**

**42110 Building Permits** - fee collected for issuance of building permits as required by law.

**42111 Building Permit State Education** - mandated 0.18 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value is tacked onto building permit fees for the education of building officials.

**42120 Police Permits** - pistol permits, vending, solicitors, raffle permits

**42940 Dog Licenses** - all dogs owned in Plainville must be properly licensed.

**42960 Solid Waste Licenses** - license required of private haulers to use transfer station

### **Fines & Fees**

**43114 Condo Fees** - garbage collection fees for condominiums

**43115 Building Fees** - fees for maps, books, and copies received from the building department

**43116 Bounced Check Fee** - fee for bounced check

**43117 Motor Vehicle Delinquent Fee** – fee charged for late payment of motor vehicles per State of CT.

**43120 Police Fines** - parking violations

**43125 Police Fees** - fees for accident reports, photos, private duty administration

**43126 Impoundment Fees** - dog impoundment

**43130 Town Clerk Filing Fees** - maps, liquor permits, trade name certifications

**43135 Vital Statistics** - birth, death, marriage licenses, etc.

**43140 Recording Fees** - for recording land records (warranty deeds, liens, sales)

**43150 Planning and Zoning Fees** - zoning applications and subdivisions

**43160 Zoning Board of Appeals** - fees for zoning appeals

**43185 Senior Center Fees** - membership fee for out-of-town residents

**43190 Senior Center Health Fees** – fees charged for health services provided

**43195 Trash Container Fees** – fees collected for second trash containers

**43196 Tipping Fees** - for private use of landfill

**43198 Misc. Fees** - snow removal for private roads, plus minor, non-budgeted items

### **Use of Money**

**44110 Investment Income** - earned for Town's investments

**44114 Condo Fee Interest** - accrued on late condo fees

## **REVENUES (*Continued*)**

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### **Intergovernmental Revenue**

#### **Education:**

**45304 Education Cost Sharing Grant** - grant funding distributed according to the spending needs of the school, per statutory formula

**45307 School Transportation Grant** – formula grant to assist Towns with pupil transportation costs

#### **State Reimbursements:**

**45310 PILOT - State Property** - paid on State property within Town, in lieu of property taxes

**45418 PILOT – Veteran’s Exemption** - partial reimbursement of Veterans tax exemptions

**45420 PILOT - Elderly Freeze** - partial reimbursement for tax exemptions for the elderly

**45425 PILOT – Elderly Circuit Breaker** - partial reimbursement for tax exemptions for the elderly

**45435 PILOT – Totally Disabled Exemption** - partial reimbursement for disability tax exemptions

**45445 Plane Registration** - fee collected for aircraft registration

#### **Other Grants:**

**45500 Pequot Grant** - proceeds from the Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund; formula-based

**45530 Youth Services** - to assist with provision of youth services programs

**45542 Miscellaneous Federal/State Grants** - includes FEMA disaster relief and other uncategorized funding

**45543 Telecommunications** - personal property tax on State communications equipment in Town

**45545 Grants for Municipal Projects** – grant funds the construction and maintenance of public highways, roads, and bridges

**45570 LoCIP (Local Capital Improvement Program)** - assistance for approved capital improvement programs

### **Other Revenues**

**48212 Conveyance Tax** - levied on property transfers

**48217 PILOT – Housing Authority** - received in lieu of property taxes from the Plainville Housing Authority

**48262 Taxpayer Reimbursement** - paid to reimburse Town for the cost of conducting foreclosures

**48299 Miscellaneous – Other** - photocopies, cell tower fees for antenna outside Municipal Center and Fire Station, PILOT - Robertson Airport, etc.

### **Sundry & Interfund Transfers In**

**49101 Interfund Transfer In - WPCF** – transfers in from the Sewer Fund for employee benefits

**49102 Use of Fund Balance** – transfers made from the General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance