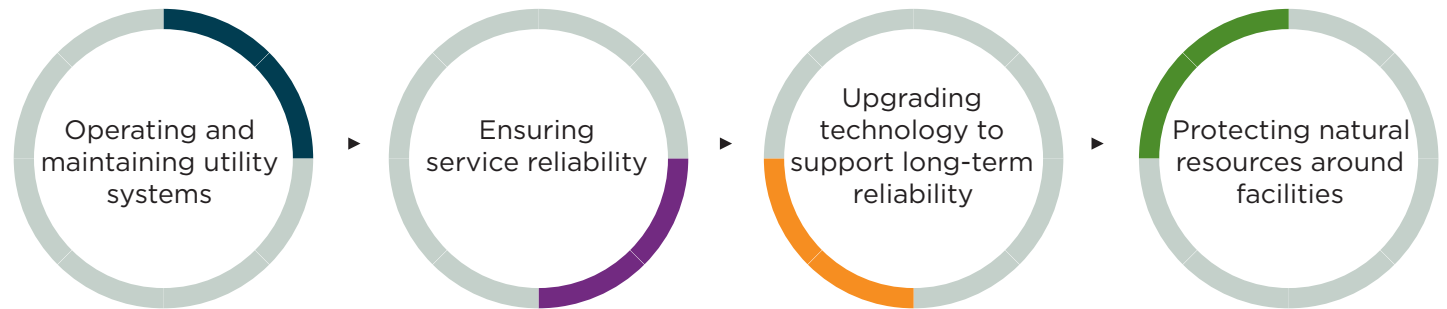


# 2027-2028 Budget & Rates

We budget to provide clean, reliable services.

## WHAT RATES COVER



## FACTORS IMPACTING RATES



### Infrastructure costs

- Pole replacements
- Electric system equipment (transformers)
- Substation maintenance
- Drinking water main and pipe replacements
- Wastewater pipe replacements\*
- Preparing and maintaining for long-term reliability



### Increasing operational costs

- Competition for specialized labor
- New technology
- Climate change adaptation
- Regulatory and legal compliance
- Healthcare



## HOW WE CONTROL COSTS

- Rebuild & maintain equipment instead of buying new
- Prioritize projects for safety & reliability
- Maintain current staffing levels
- Secure awards, grants, and other funding that doesn't come from customers
- Encourage recycling
- Reduce operations and maintenance costs



## HOW TO LOWER YOUR BILL

- Take advantage of conservation rebates and incentives, as well as grants, loans and assistance programs, for those who qualify
- Recycle more
- Fix water leaks
- Monitor power and water usage on MyAccount

Learn more about the budget and get involved at [MyTPU.org/Rates](https://MyTPU.org/Rates).

\*City of Tacoma only



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# 2027-2028 Residential Rate Proposals

Tacoma Public Utilities will present our 2027-2028 budgets to the Public Utility Board and Tacoma City Council this fall for consideration and approval. Our proposals include rate adjustments for Tacoma Power and Tacoma Water.

Environmental Services will also present their budget and proposed rate adjustments to City Council in the fall. Their services include Wastewater, Stormwater, and Solid Waste.

The proposals show the estimated **average monthly adjustment** as a percentage and dollar amount.



## TACOMA POWER

RATE ADJUSTMENT GOES INTO EFFECT IN **APRIL** EACH YEAR

| 2027                    | 2028                    |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 6.2% or \$7.40 monthly* | 6.2% or \$8.59 monthly* |



## TACOMA WATER

RATE ADJUSTMENT GOES INTO EFFECT IN **JANUARY** EACH YEAR

|                        | 2027                    | 2028                    |
|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Inside City of Tacoma  | 5.6% or \$2.99 monthly  | 5.6% or \$3.17 monthly  |
| Outside City of Tacoma | 5.6% or \$3.59 monthly* | 5.6% or \$3.74 monthly* |



## ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

RATE ADJUSTMENT GOES INTO EFFECT IN **JANUARY** EACH YEAR

|             | 2027                   | 2028                   |
|-------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Stormwater  | 8% or \$2.90 monthly   | 8.6% or \$3.42 monthly |
| Wastewater  | 5.5% or \$4.29 monthly | 5.8% or \$4.75 monthly |
| Solid Waste | 5.2% or \$3.24 monthly | 5.2% or \$3.42 monthly |

\*Rates in University Place are slightly higher due to a 6% utility tax from the City of U.P.

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