



SCHOOL TAX COLLECTION

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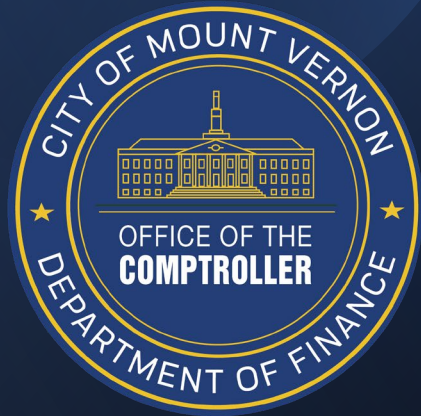
May 12, 2026



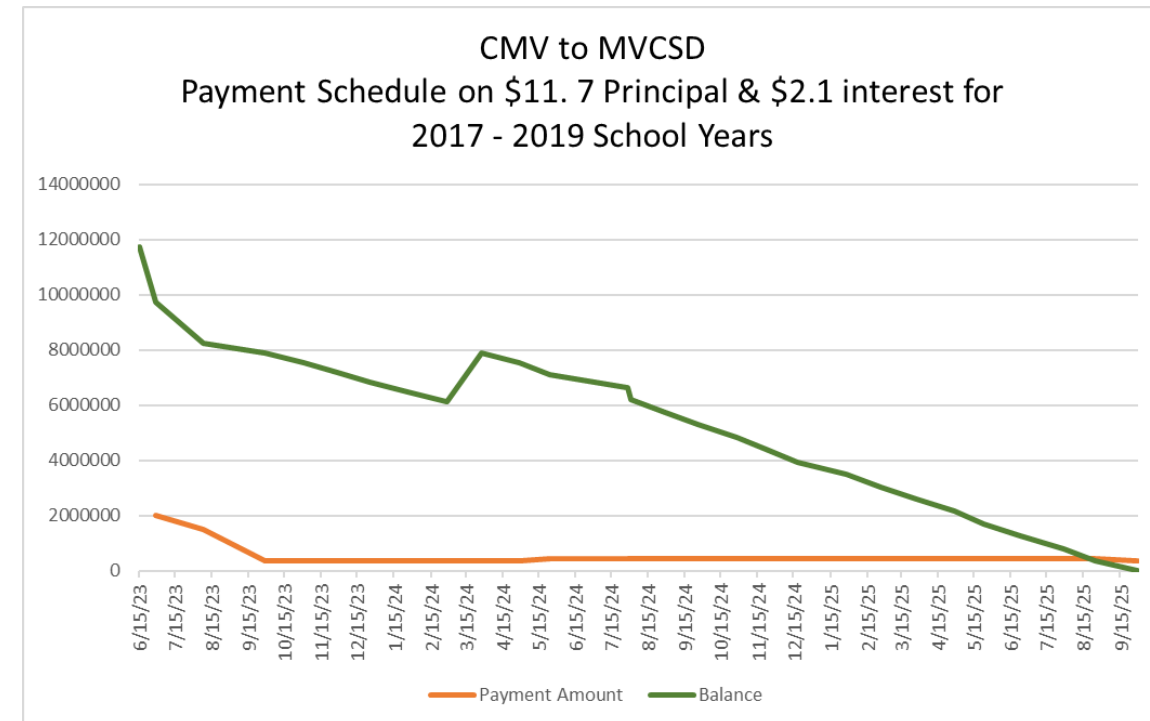
School Tax Collection

**\$11.7 Settlement Agreement
School Fiscal Year (FY)
2018 – 2020
Completed Payments**

Previous Debt owed to the School District for 2018-2020 School Taxes



- In 2023, entered into settlement with MVCSD for \$11.7 million and established payment plan for \$350,000/month
- In 2024 entered into settlement with MVCSD for \$2.1 million for statutory interest on \$11.7 million; adding \$100/month to payment plan.
- The City and the School District agreed on a \$450,000 payment per month
- The total balance of **\$13,846,860** has been fully paid as of September 2025:
 - FY18 (2017-18),
 - FY19 (2018-19), and
 - FY 20 (2019-20).

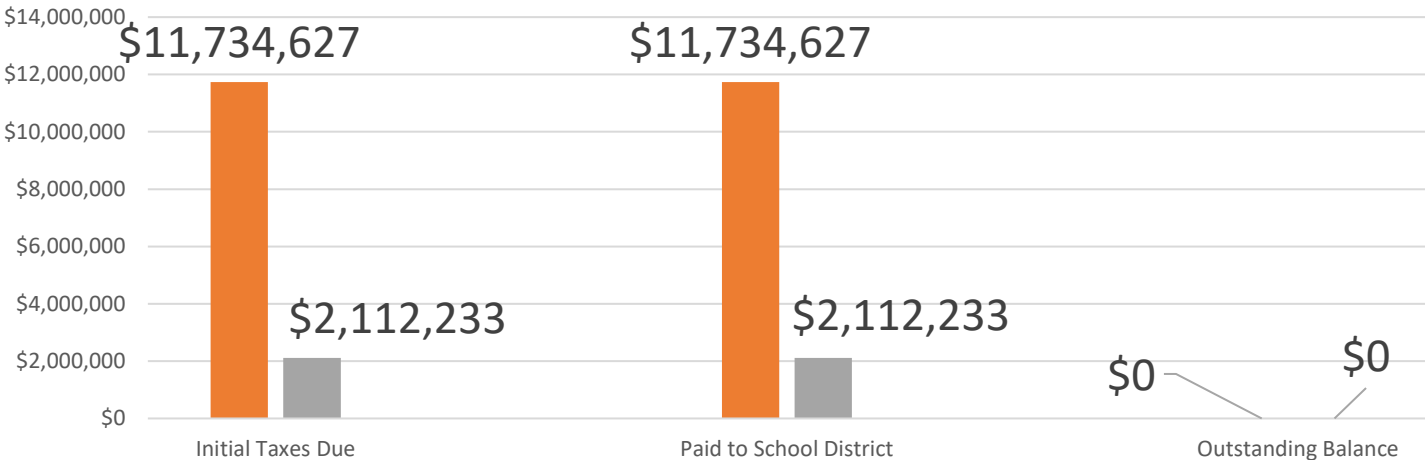


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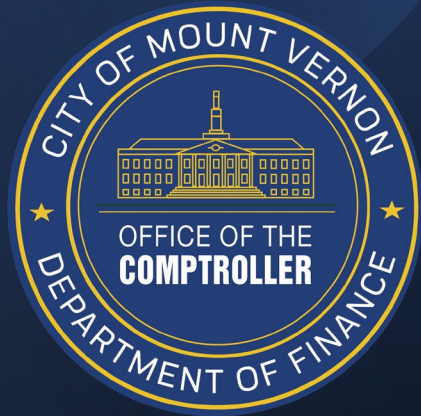


City Obligation to MVCSD for Outstanding School Taxes (per Real Property Tax Law Section § 1332)				
		<u>2018-2020 Principal Debt</u>	<u>2018-2020 Statutory Interest</u>	Total
Initial Taxes Due		\$11,734,627	\$2,112,233	\$13,846,860
Paid to School District		\$11,734,627	\$2,112,233	\$13,846,860
Outstanding Balance		\$0	\$0	\$0

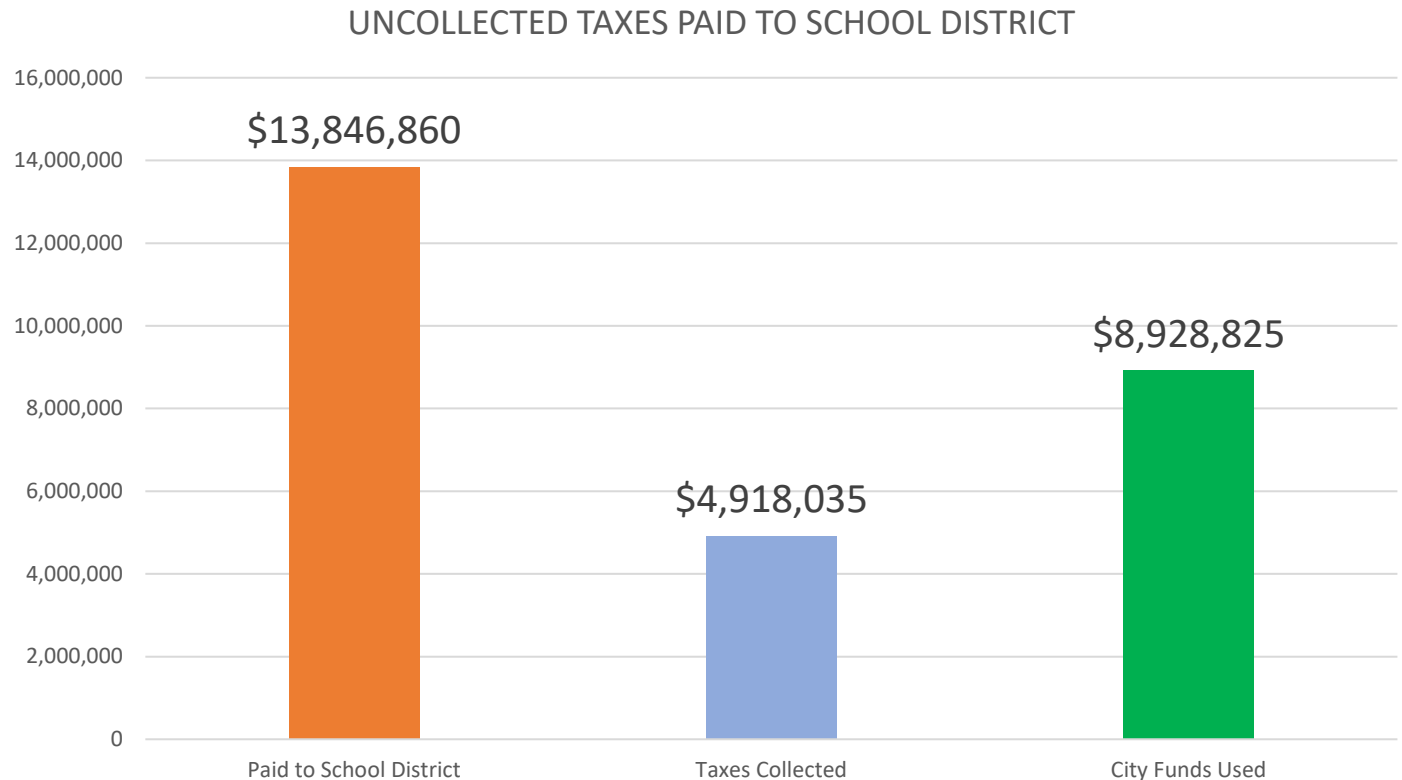
City Obligation to MVCSD for
Outstanding School Taxes per RPTL § 1332
as of May 11, 2026



Cash Flow Impact on the City From FY 2018 – 2020 Uncollected Taxes



- Of the \$13.8M paid to the School District, only \$4.9 have been collected from taxpayer.
- The City has used \$8.9M of its operating funds to pay the School District creating a major cash flow issue.

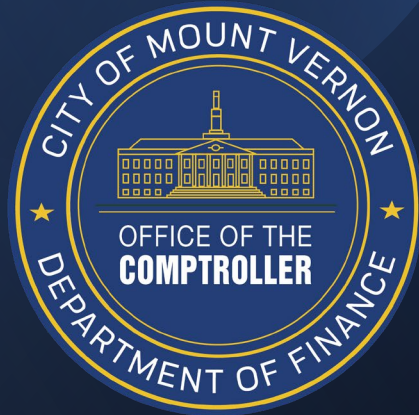




School Tax Collection

Collection Period Closed &
Reconciled
FY 2021 & FY 2022

FY 21 & 22 MVCSD TAXES Collection Period Closed



- FY21 & FY 22
 - **certified \$10.9 million** in May of 2023; due to 'make whole' in May of 2025
 - MVCSD stopped collecting in May 2025
 - City continued remitting monthly payment to October 2025, then began reconciliation
 - **Reconciliation Completed as of 4/30/26, \$5.4M is still outstanding**
 - City and School District met in April; agreement will be executed by **end of May 2026**.

Date Certified		5/16/23	5/16/23	
School Year		<u>2020-2021</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>	-
Total Tax Levy		\$124,335,398.11	\$127,019,876.02	
Taxes Collected		\$119,357,967.32	\$121,075,045.47	
Taxes Remaining Unpaid		\$4,977,430.79	\$5,944,830.55	\$10,922,261.34
Paid to School District		\$2,392,126.57	\$3,112,856.47	\$5,504,983.04
Total Outstanding		\$2,585,304.22	\$2,831,974.08	\$5,417,278.30

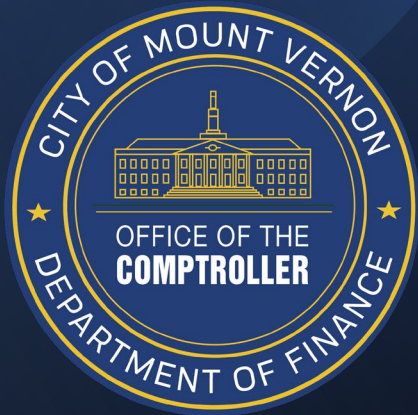


School Tax Collection

Collection Period Closed &
Unreconciled
FY 2023

Next Collection Two-Year Period Closed

FY 23 MVCSD TAXES (Unreconciled)



- Fiscal Year 23 (2022-2023 School year) - Unreconciled
 - certified \$5.5 million uncollected in February of 2024;
 - **Due to 'make whole' in February of 2026**
 - **MVCSD stopped collecting as of 4/30/26**
 - Reconciliation has begun and once completed an agreement will be executed

- ESTIMATED

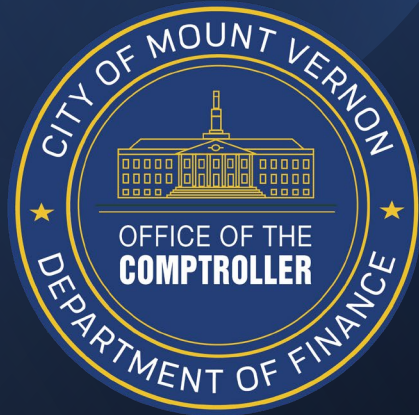
Date Certified		2/14/24
School Year		<u>2022-2023</u>
Total Tax Levy		\$128,460,696.31
Taxes Collected		\$122,921,118.07
Taxes Remaining Unpaid		\$5,539,578.24
Paid to School District		\$2,532,249.93
Total Outstanding		\$3,007,328.31



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Collection Period Still Open
FY 2024 & FY 2025

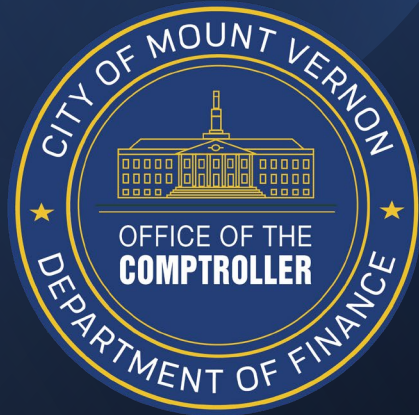
FY 24 MVCSD TAXES Still in Collection Period (Unreconciled)



- Fiscal Year 24 School Taxes
 - Certified \$6.1 million in October of 2024;
 - **Still in collections from taxpayers and due to 'make whole' to MVCSD in October of 2026**
 - As of 4/30/26 \$4.2M is still outstanding

Date Certified		10/21/24
School Year		<u>2023-2024</u>
Total Tax Levy		\$129,446,370.68
Taxes Collected		\$123,310,224.54
Taxes Remaining Unpaid		\$6,136,146.14
Paid to School District		\$1,947,110.41
Total Outstanding		\$4,189,035.73

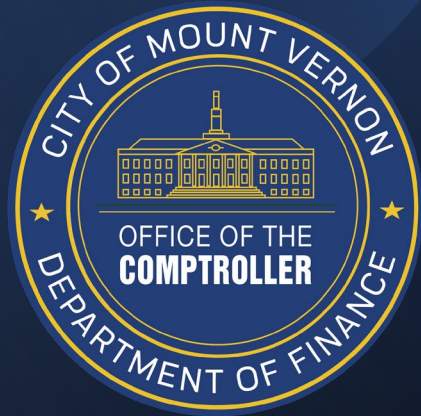
FY 25 MVCSD TAXES Still in Collection Period (Unreconciled)



- Fiscal Year 25 School Taxes
 - Certified \$8.2 million in April of 2025;
 - **Still in collections from taxpayers and due to 'make whole' to MVCSD in April of 2027**
 - List remitted in June 2025
 - As of 4/30/26 \$8.1M is still outstanding

Date Certified		4/1/25
School Year		<u>2024-2025</u>
Total Tax Levy		\$135,947,117.00
Taxes Collected		\$127,771,000.61
Taxes Remaining Unpaid		\$8,176,116.39
Paid to School District		\$50,970.13
Total Outstanding		\$8,125,146.26

CMVNY
Payments in 2026
to MVCSD
Covering
FY 2021 –2024
Taxes

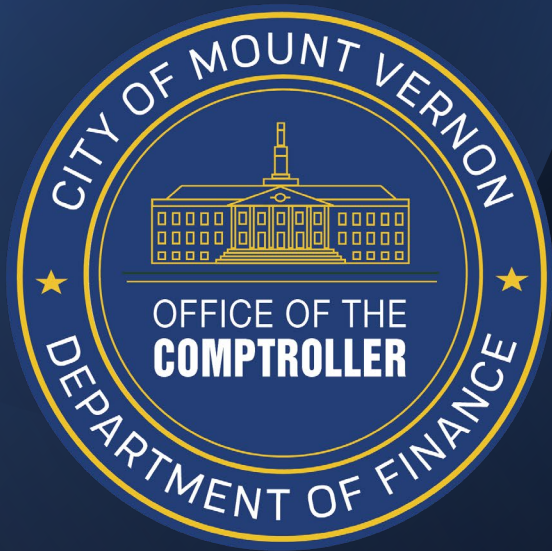


2026 Payments made through February 2026

- January 8, 2026 - \$1,287,379 (2021-2024)
- February 6, 2026 - \$1,246,558 (2021-2024)
- February 20, 2026 - \$800,873 (2023-2024)
- March 11, 2026 - \$1,002,017 (2021-2022)
- March 26, 2026 - \$237,945 (2023-2024)

Total: \$4,574,772

SUMMARY



Payments Complete

- FY 2018 – 2020 CMVNY Fully Paid \$13.8M

Collection Period Ended

- FY 2021 & 2022 - \$5.4M due to MVSCD / Agreement by end of May 2026
- FY 2023 – Currently being reconciled; estimated \$3M

Still in Collection Period

- FY 2024 - Collection period ends October 2026; \$4.2M uncollected as of May 12, 2026
- FY 2025 – Collection period ends April 2027; \$8.1M uncollected as of May 12, 2026
- FY 2026 – Still being collected by MVCSD