

## NASHUA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION BUDGET INFORMATION

*Courtesy of Greater Nashua Tea Party*

The 9 RPCs in New Hampshire were created as “political subdivisions” in approximately 1969, and operate under RSA 36 (45-53).

Below is a summary of this 2011-2012 budget of the Nashua Regional Planning Commission.  
<http://www.nashuarpc.org/aboutnrpc/index.htm>

**Income: \$1,471,710.19**

**The NRPC received \$270,872.50 (18%) of its income from “Federal Contracts”, mainly from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) “Sustainable Communities” Regional Planning grants (more on the Sustainable Communities Initiative in the coming weeks).**

The NRPC received **\$162,581.29** (11%) from “Local Dues”, paid by the 13 member towns of Amherst, Brookline, Hollis, Hudson, Litchfield, Lyndeborough, Mason, Merrimack, Milford, Mont Vernon, Nashua, Pelham, and Wilton.

The NRPC received **\$219,902.59** from “Grants”. These are a mix of what look to be mostly state grants, including “Safe Route to School” (SRTS), Broadband, SWD, Conservation Law Foundation (CLF) Ventures, NH Charitable Foundation (NHCF), and some others.

The NRPC received **\$778,741.24** (53%) from “State Contracts”. These included Office of Energy and Planning (OEP) stimulus funding, DOT Highway Planning, Souhegan Valley Transportation Collaborative (SVTC), DES, and OEM.

The NRPC received **\$125,178.68** (8.5%) from “Local Planning Contracts”.

**Expenses: \$1,443,048.72**

The NRPC spent \$9,750 on their annual audit.

The NRPC spent \$8173.07 on Dues and Subscriptions.

The NRPC spent \$11,006 on Insurance.

The NRPC spent \$414,859.09 (29%) on “Professional Services”, sub-contracting work.

The NRPC spent \$643,696.31 (45%) on Employee Salaries (14 paid staff members).

<http://www.nashuarpc.org/aboutnrpc/staff.htm>

The NRPC spent \$205,411.08 (15%) on Employee Benefits.

The NRPC spent \$11,862.92 on Utilities.

The NRPC spent \$78,477.12 on Rent (that is approx. \$6540 per month).

**Income/(Loss): \$28,661.47**

**Perhaps someone can explain how an “advisory board” gets to manage this much money, and why 58% of the budget goes to employee salaries and benefits (remember that there are 9 of these RPCs).**