

Area sales tax revenues up for 2017 – except in Reno

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Azle, Springtown see increases from 2016 numbers

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With only one exception, area taxing authorities ended 2017 having generated more revenue from sales tax than in 2016.

Reno – the exception – dipped below 2016 levels by 7.5 percent. Its revenue from sales tax at the end of 2017 is \$169,011, compared with 2016 revenue of \$182,333.

However, Reno's December payment of \$13,910 reflected an 11.76 percent increase from its December 2016 payment of \$12,446.

Azle received \$185,357 for December, up 9.33 percent from \$169,527 in December 2016. That jump brought the city's total sales tax revenue for 2017 to \$2,441,473 – just 0.24 percent above 2016's total of \$2,435,590.

Azle's Crime Control and Prevention District (CCPD) received December revenue of \$34,905, a 6.36 percent increase from \$32,817 in December 2016. The CCPD's 2017 revenue totals \$462,458 for 2017, up 2.42 percent from \$451,520 in 2016.

Azle's Municipal Development District (MDD) received \$36,444 for December, 2.44 percent more than its December 2016 revenue of \$34,131. The MDD generated a total of \$483,293 in sales tax revenue in 2017, a 2.44 percent increase from 2016 revenue of \$471,754.

Springtown's December sales tax revenue of \$118,583 is 22.21 percent more than its December 2016 revenue of \$97,030. At the end of 2017, the city has generated \$1,381,774, 17.41 percent more than its 2016 revenue of \$1,176,812.

Although its December sales tax revenue of \$16,392 is down 8.23 percent from \$17,862 in December 2016, Lakeside's total sales tax revenue for 2017 of \$215,443 is up 4.86 percent from \$205,444 in 2016.

Parker County's December revenue from sales tax of \$651,080 represents a 3.73 percent increase from December 2016 revenue of \$627,611. For 2017, total sales tax revenue is \$8,172,778. Compared with 2016 revenue of \$7,575,317, that's an increase of 7.88 percent.

Sanctuary received \$2,141 in sales tax revenue for December, a 40.85 percent increase from its December 2016 payment of \$1,520. With \$24,945 on the books for 2017, the city is up 12.35 percent from 2016 totals of \$22,201.

Pelican Bay showed the largest increase of all area taxing authorities in 2017. Its December sales tax revenue of \$5,926 is a whopping 238.61 percent more than its December 2016 revenue of \$1,750. That brings the Bay's total sales tax revenue for 2017 to \$33,105 – a 75.33 percent increase from 2016 total sales tax revenue of \$18,881.

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar announced Dec. 6 he will send cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts \$695.2 million in local sales tax allocations for December, 10.8 percent more than in December 2016.

These allocations are based on sales made in October by businesses that report tax monthly.

For details on December sales tax allocations to individual cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose districts, visit the Comptroller's Monthly Sales Tax Allocation Comparison Summary Reports at

<https://comptroller.texas.gov/transparency/local/allocations/sales-tax/>

City	Rate	This Payment	Prior Year	% Change	2017 Total	2016 Total	% Change
City of Azle	1.25	\$185,357	\$169,527	9.33%	\$2,441,473	\$2,435,590	0.24%
Azle Crime Control Dist	0.25	34,905	32,817	6.36%	462,458	451,520	2.42%
Azle Municipal Dev. District	0.50	36,444	34,131	6.77%	483,293	471,754	2.44%
Town of Lakeside	2.00	16,392	17,862	-8.23%	215,443	205,444	4.86%
City of Pelican Bay	1.00	5,926	1,750	238.61%	33,105	18,881	75.33%
City of Reno	1.50	13,910	12,446	11.76%	169,011	182,333	-7.30%
City of Sanctuary	1.00	2,141	1,520	40.85%	24,945	22,201	12.35%
City of Springtown	1.50	118,583	97,030	22.21%	1,381,774	1,176,812	17.41%
Parker County	0.50	651,080	627,611	3.73%	8,172,778	7,575,317	7.88%