

UNDERSTANDING UBCM'S FUNDING PROGRAMS

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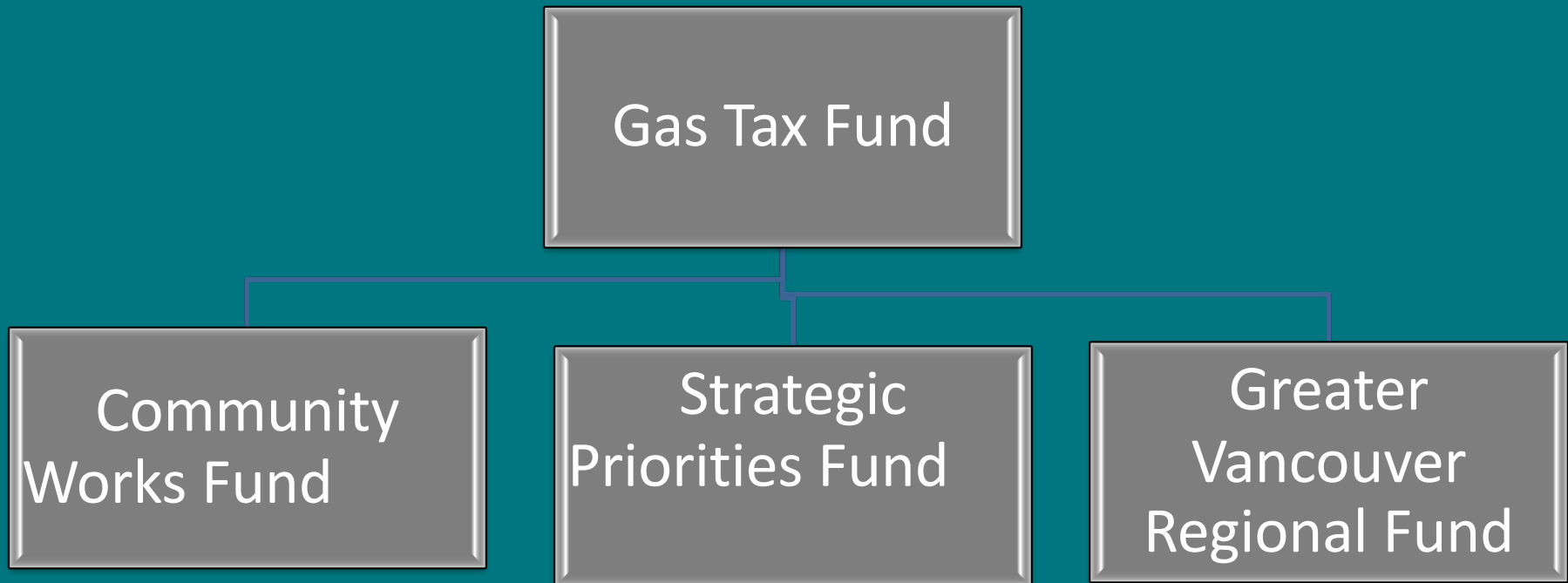
Federal Gas Tax Fund

- Provides long-term, predictable funding to local governments
- \$2.2 billion transferred annually across Canada
- BC receives an average of \$280 million annually
- GTF will deliver \$4.5 billion to BC from 2005-2024
- Over 5,200 projects complete or underway in BC

Chronology

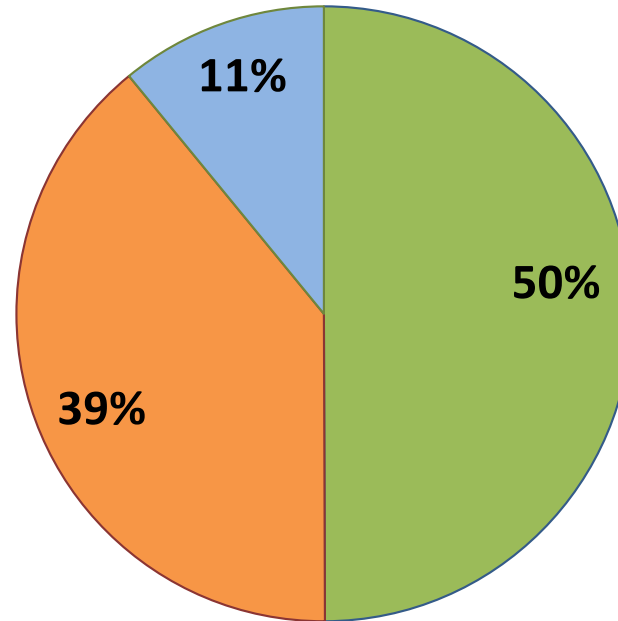
- 2005: Program implemented by Liberal government, \$1.25 billion per year from 2006 to 2010
- 2007: Extended by Conservative government, \$2 billion per year from 2010 to 2014
- 2011: Legislation enacted to make GTF permanent funding source at \$2 billion per year
- 2013: Legislation enacted to index the fund at 2% annually and the negotiation of the *Renewed Agreement*
- 2016: Federal intention to transfer uncommitted funds from other infrastructure programs to GTF recipients
- 2019: One-time doubling of the GTF

Program Delivery



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2018 Gas Tax Funding Percentages by Program Stream



■ GVRF ■ CWF ■ SPF

Gas Tax Fund Transfers

	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
BC GTF	\$559 M	\$280.4M	\$293.1M	\$293.1M	\$305.0M

Community Works Fund

- Delivers funding twice annually to all local governments (July and November)
- Local governments make local choices about which eligible projects to fund and report annually on these projects and their outcomes
- Funding allocated on a per capita basis (\$3 metro /\$42 outside metro) with a funding floor (\$56,000)
- Communities can choose from a set of eligible infrastructure and planning project-types
- Accountability based on reporting
- One-time top up delivered in 2019

Strategic Priorities Fund

- Funding of large, regional or innovative projects outside Metro Vancouver
- Funding available for 100% of project cost
- Currently, over \$300 million is allocated to 175 projects
- Program is fully allocated with no timeline for future in-takes

Greater Vancouver Regional Fund

- Pooled funding program for projects within the Metro Region
- Projects are submitted by TransLink and approved by the Metro Board
- Must be identified as transportation related projects

Infrastructure Investment Categories

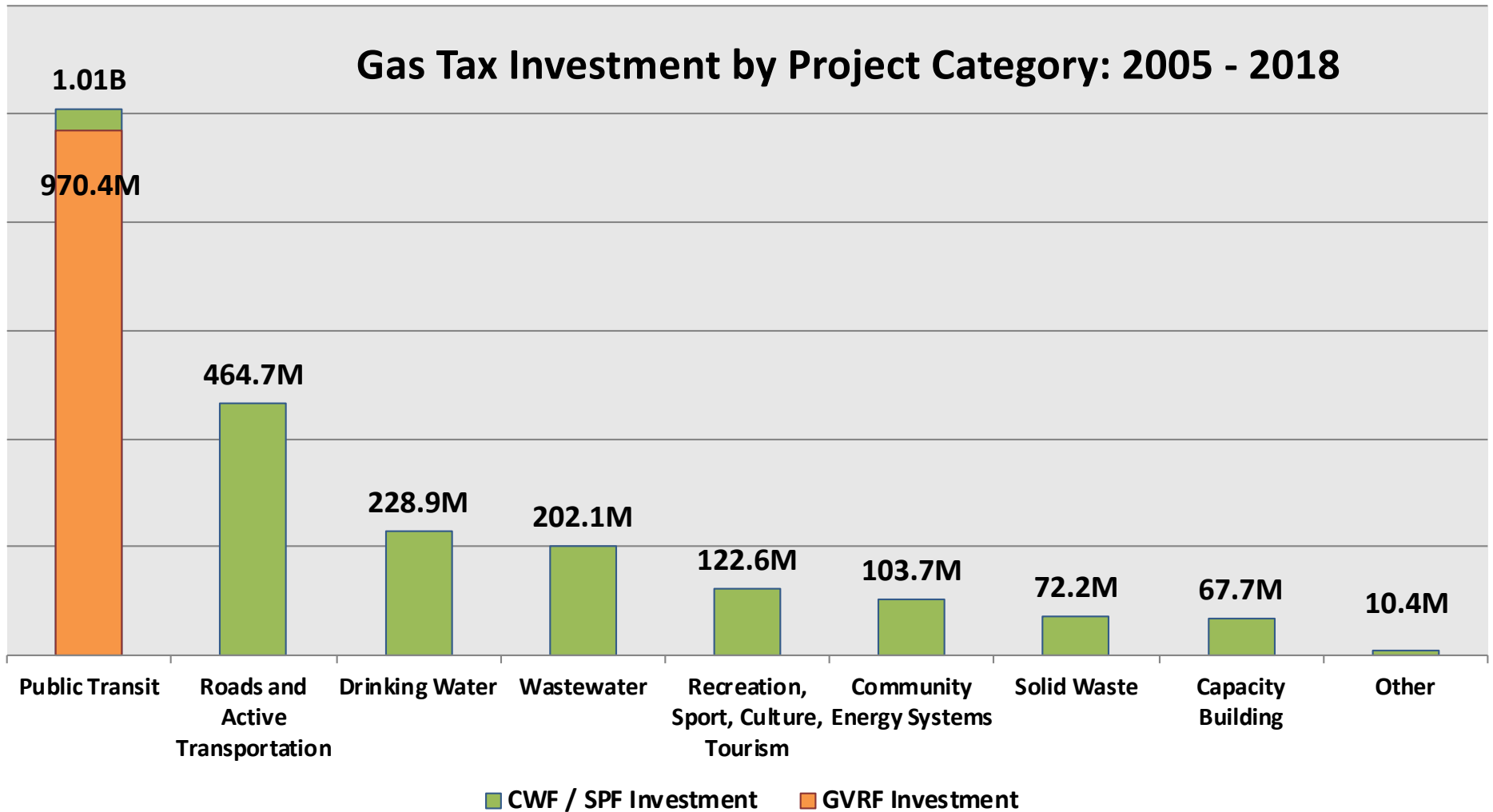
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- Public Transit
- Community Energy
- Culture and Tourism
- Disaster Mitigation
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- Brownfield Redevelopment
- Short-sea Shipping and Short-line Rail

Capacity Building Investment Categories

- Long-term Infrastructure Planning
- Asset Management
- Integrated Community Sustainability Plans

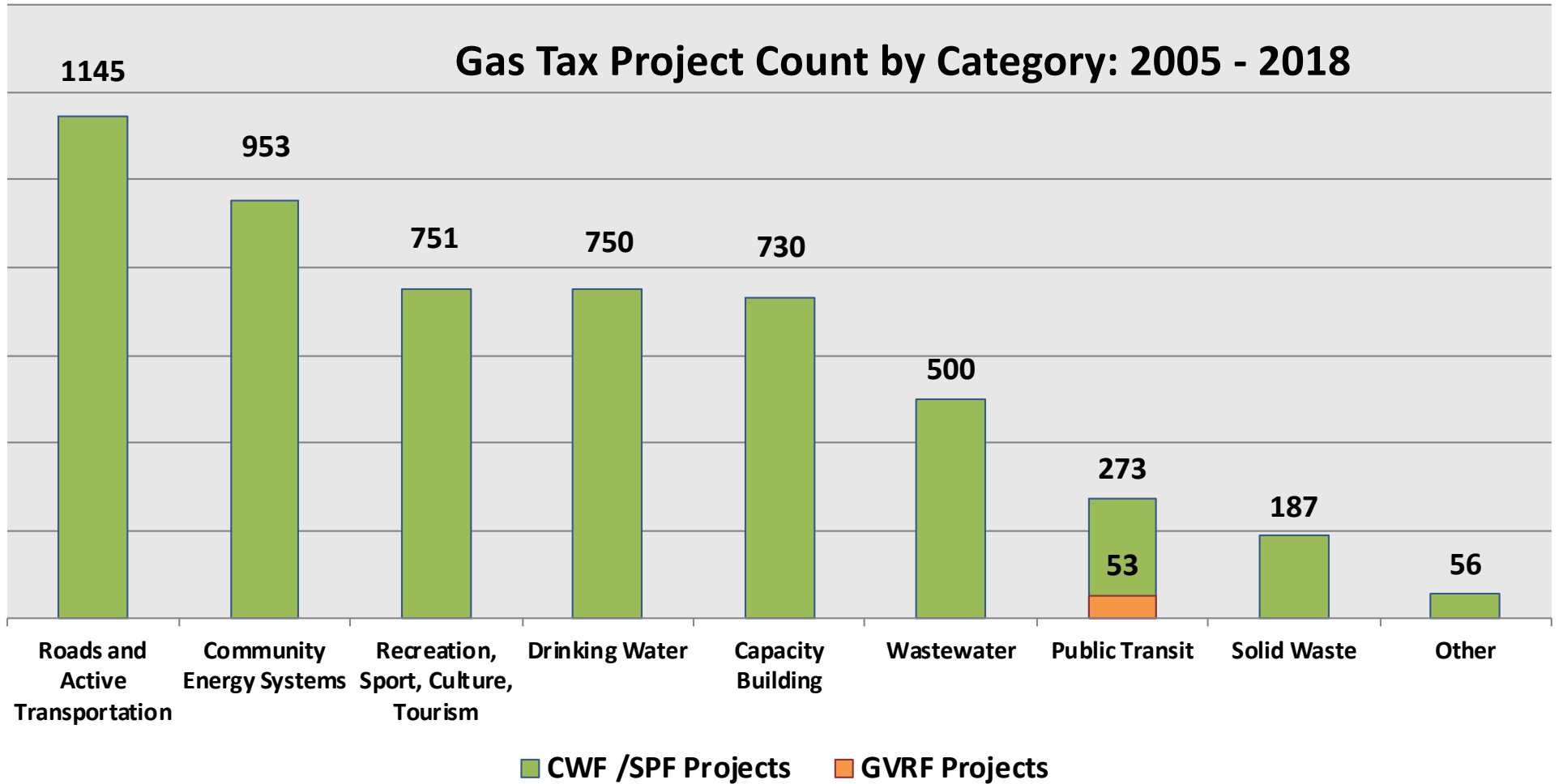
Program Statistics

Gas Tax Investment by Project Category: 2005 - 2018



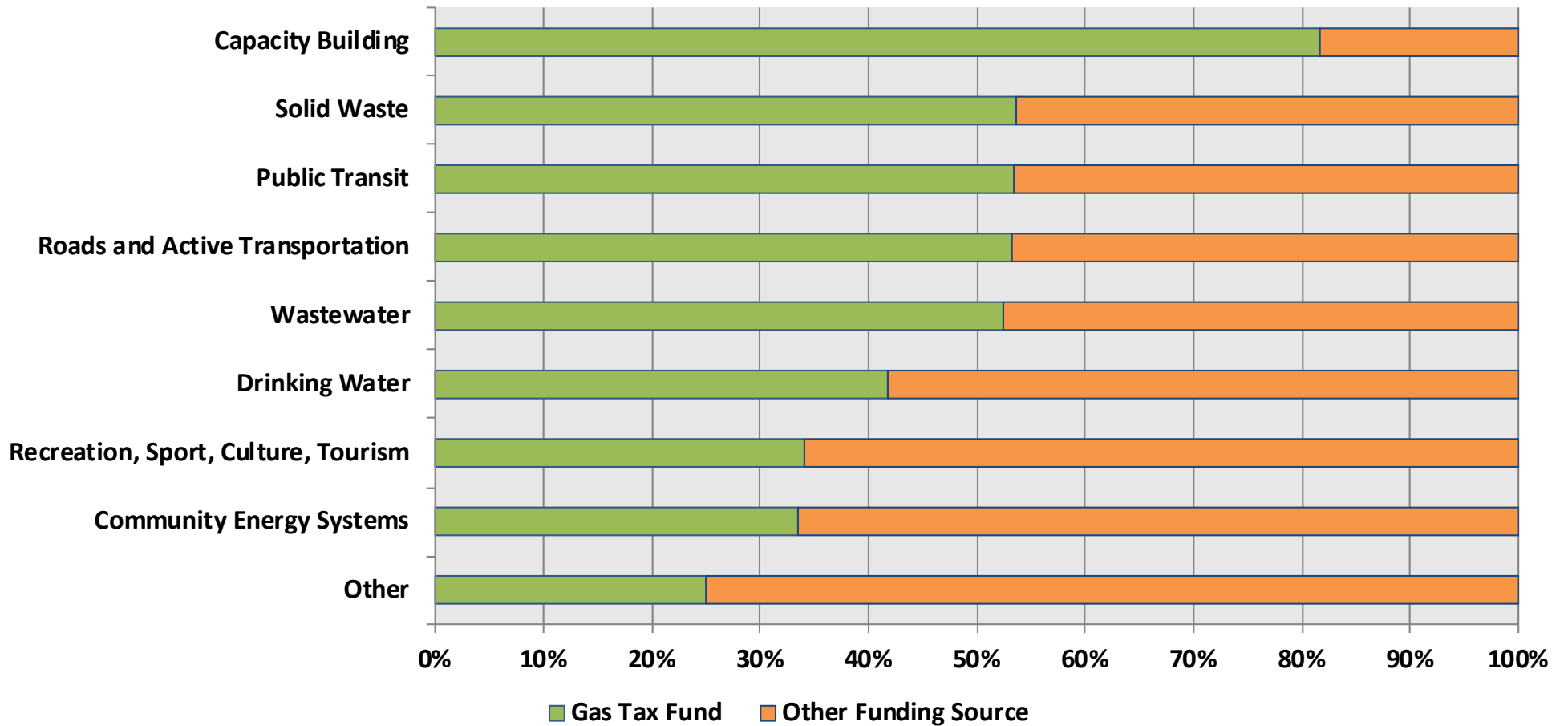
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Gas Tax Funds Leveraged in Complete Projects: 2014 - 2018

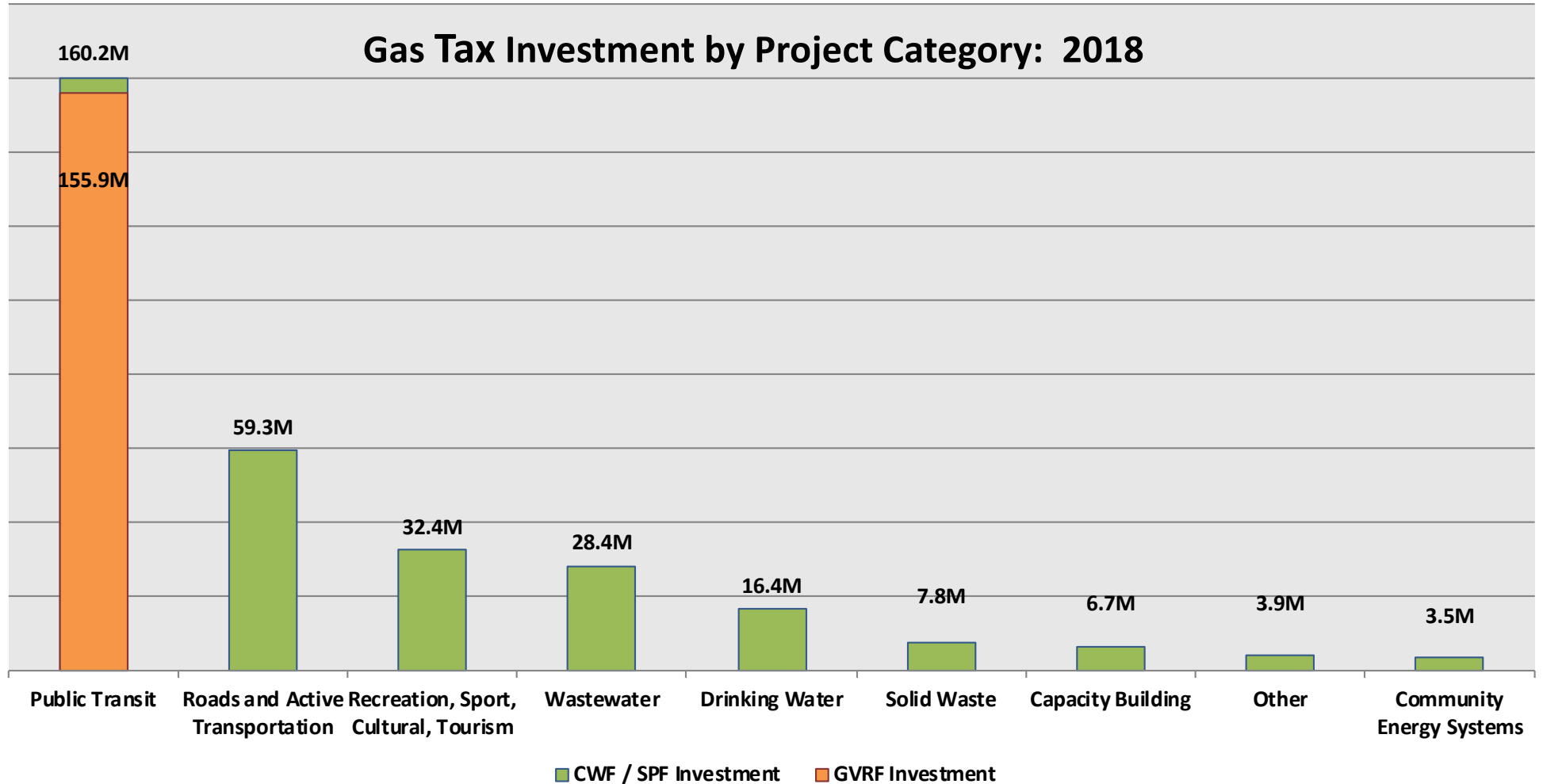


2018 Program Highlights

- \$318.7 million in local government spending
- 1003 projects reported spending
- \$1.6 billion estimated total cost of projects
- \$398.4 million transferred to recipients
- Number of projects and total spending grows every year

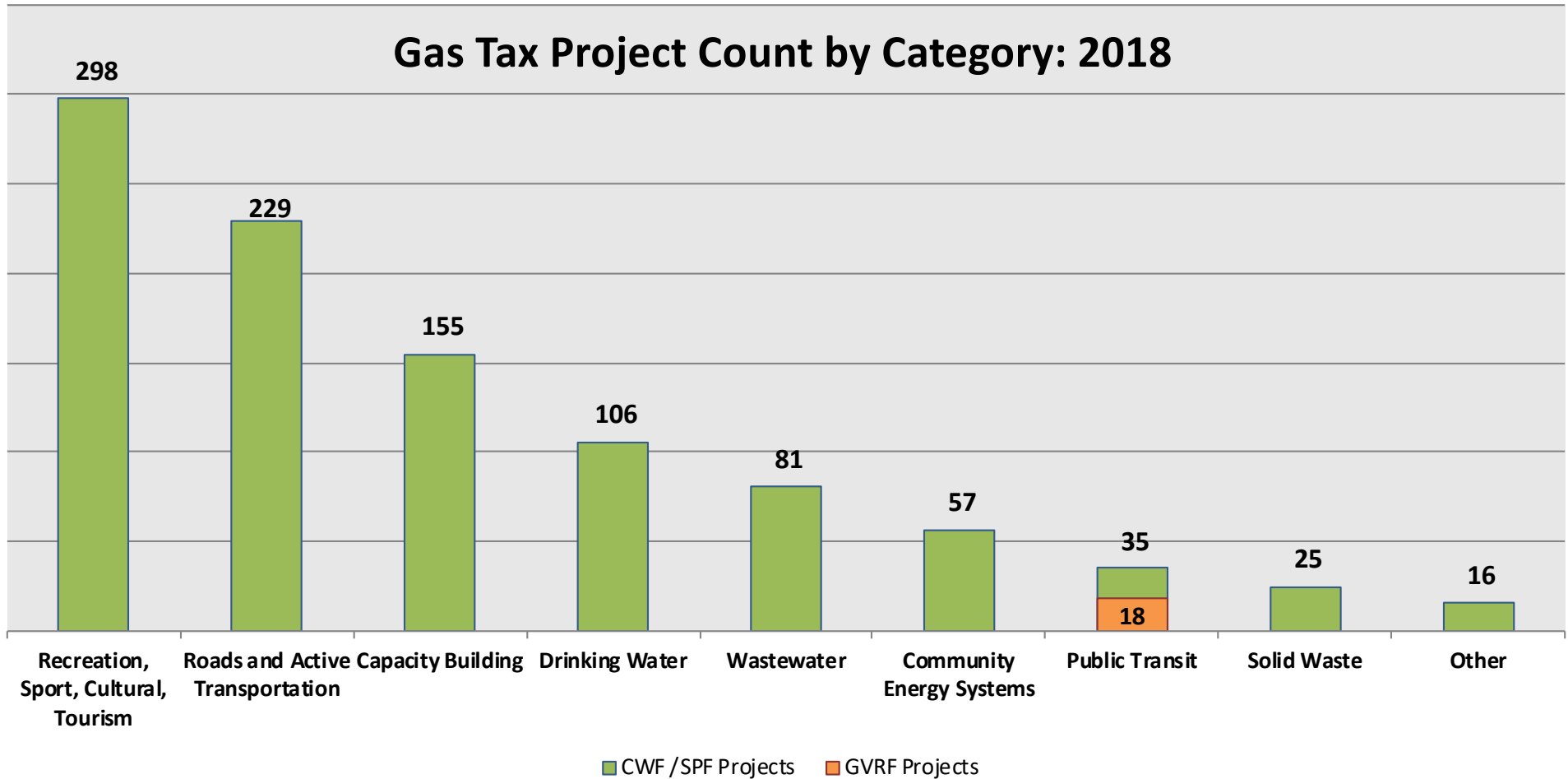
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Local Roads, Bridges and Active Transportation 2018 Output

Paved Road (km)	156
Sidewalk (km)	39
Bicycle lane (km)	54
Multi-use Pathway (km)	46
Sewer, Storm, Water, Open Ditch (km)	18
Street Lighting (#)	815
Bridge (#)	14
Roundabout (#)	6
Curbs and gutters (km)	19
Catch basins (#)	29
Pedestrians/Bicycle Crossing (#)	57

Project Profile

Recreational Infrastructure

City of Prince George

The Masich Place Stadium in Prince George was built to host the BC Summer Games in 1990. With many elements within the original design reaching the end of their life expectancy, the City used Federal Gas Tax funds to install a new synthetic turf field and resurfaced an 8-lane track surrounding the field. The new field will host university soccer, high school football and rugby games, and now meets playoff standards for western and national championship events. The turf field is anticipated to have a life expectancy equal to four natural grass fields.



Program Challenges

- Quality of data
- Project eligibility
- Communications and Signage

Quality of Data

Annual Expenditure Reporting requires:

- Project Title
- Location of Asset
- Meaningful Description, including metrics
- Start date and completion date
- Financial details

Drinking Water

Project Title: Port Alice Drinking Water System - New SCADA System Installation

Project Description: Project involved the installation of a SCADA monitoring system at the Village's drinking water treatment plant. System monitors and controls two reservoirs with a 2273 m³ capacity and pump house. Water system serves 664 residents.

Title includes name of primary asset, service delivery type, investment type and equipment sub-asset

Description includes location of project, works completed, quantity of technology (1 SCADA system) and includes 2 outcomes (protection of 2273m³ of drinking water for 664 residents)

Project Eligibility

- 1. Is the recipient eligible?**
- 2. Is the asset category eligible?**
- 3. Does the project result in a TCA and primarily for public use or public benefit?**

Ultimate Recipient

- (i) a Local Government or its agent (including its wholly owned corporation);
- (ii) a non-municipal entity, including for-profit, non-governmental and not-for-profit organizations, on the condition that (a) the Local Government(s) where the Eligible Project would be located, if applicable, has (have) indicated support for the project through a formal resolution of its (their) council(s) or board(s).
- (iii) TransLink, Islands Trust, and BC Transit

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Ineligible Projects

- Fire Halls
- Fire Trucks
- EOCs
- Municipal Halls
- Social Housing
- Child Care Facilities
- Medical Facilities
- Feasibility Studies

Public Use or Public Benefit

Public Use:

- Does the proposed project primarily provide a service that is available or open to the public?
- Does the proposed project result in a service that is not limited by private membership?
- Does proposed project primarily result in a publicly owned asset or delivers a public service that a local government traditionally provides?

Benefit:

- Does the project provide a service that is a tangible benefit that aligns with the national outcomes of productivity and economic growth; a clean environment; or strong cities and communities?
- Does the project result in a service that benefits a sufficiently large segment of the public or community?

Communications and Signage

- Over 1000 projects and 2 reported signs
- Decrease in announcements/media last years
- Canada interested in raising the visibility of the program nationally

Signage Requirements

- Temporary sign for all GTF investments over \$100,000 (where reasonable)
- Temporary sign templates available on UBCM website
- Eligible use of GTF funds

Signage



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Project Title**

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Communications

- One event or media release per year
- Contact our office for assistance
- Twitter/Facebook



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The federal Gas Tax fund in British Columbia provides communities with stable, predictable funding for capital infrastructure and capacity building projects. Since 2005, UBCM has transferred over \$2.1 billion of federal funding to communities across BC that, in turn, have undertaken over 5,300 infrastructure and planning projects. A report on local government expenditures and outputs from the 2018 reporting year is now available online. <https://tinyurl.com/yx23tx47>



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