

# **COUNCIL SPENDING**

#### ONE SIZE DOES NOT FIT ALL



# Unique

each community is different and so are their needs



### **Budgets**

range from \$11.7 million to \$660 million



## **Population**

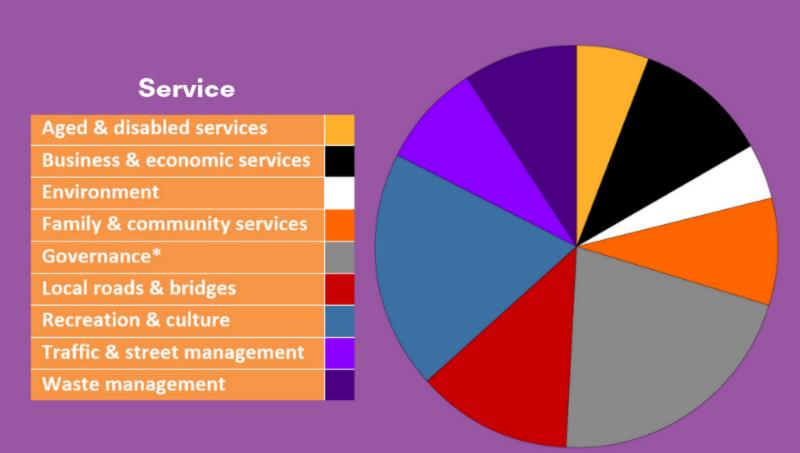
residents range from 3,000 to 300,000 people



### Communities

may be young, old, established or developing; rural, urban or a mix

## SPEND BY SERVICE CATEGORY



Source: Victorian Grants Commission
All Victorian council averages for 2016–17 & 2017–18
See below for further explanation of governance services and spending trends

## **GOVERNANCE**

# \*includes spending on public health & safety services

E.g. local laws, rangers & health inspectors; monitoring & compliance of State food safety, health & animal laws; pounds & livestock control; litter management; licensing & permits; maintenance of public buildings; natural disaster relief & restitution works; as well as council operations & general administration costs.

# SPENDING TRENDS

#### Metro councils

spend more on traffic & streets, and business & economic services to balance community, business and developer needs

#### Interface councils

spend more on family & community services, and waste management due to high growth in population and new communities

#### Rural councils

spend more on roads due to long road lengths

#### **COUNCIL FAST FACTS**

85%

of the Victorian road network maintained \$102B

of local community

facilities maintained

100

local services and

programs provided

to communities

3.6%

total Australian tax revenue raised through council rates