



Investing in Cobb's Future

SPLOST

Renewal 2028

- TRANSPORTATION
- PUBLIC SAFETY • PARKS
- LIBRARIES • FACILITIES
- TECHNOLOGY

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If approved by Cobb voters, the 2028 SPLOST Renewal will fund:



CENTRAL AQUATIC CENTER REPLACEMENT



FIRE STATION REPLACEMENTS



NEW STATE COURTHOUSE BUILDING



TIM D. LEE SENIOR CENTER EXPANSION



NEW EAST COBB LIBRARY



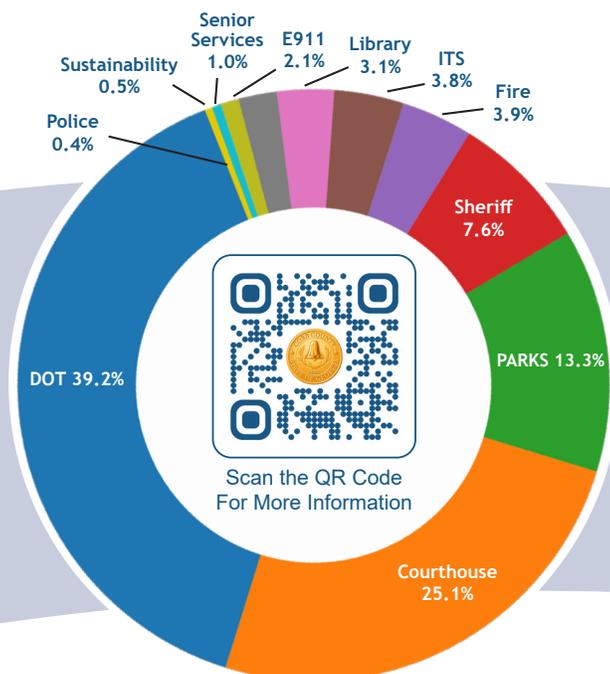
PEDESTRIAN SAFETY & SIDEWALKS



DISTRICT 4 RECREATION CENTER



ROADWAY RESURFACING



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Cobb County is one of three counties in Georgia with a sales tax rate below 7 percent.

Special Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) is an optional one percent county sales tax used to fund capital outlay projects proposed by the county government and participating qualified municipal governments.

Of Cobb's current 6% sales tax; 4% goes to the state, 1% to the school SPLOST, and 1% to the current county SPLOST.



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PUBLIC SAFETY

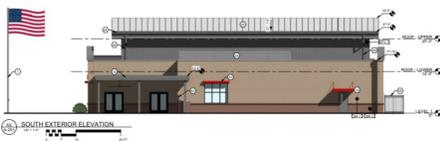
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FIRE STATION REPLACEMENTS

Two new fire stations will replace aging infrastructure, modernize operations, enhance the quality of life and workspace, while improving security and increase quality of service to the community.



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COURTHOUSE

Cobb County's State Court serves over 160 thousand citizens a year, but the current courthouse, built nearly 30 years ago, was not designed to handle today's population, caseload, or modern security standards. With Cobb's population continuing to grow and court activity increasing each year, the existing building no longer provides a safe, accessible, or efficient environment for the public, court employees, or elected judges. A new State Court building is needed to protect public safety, improve access to justice, and ensure the court system can serve the county well into the future.



New State Court Building Features

- Enhanced safety and security for the public, judges, and employees
- Proper separation of inmates, staff, and the public within the building
- Adequate holding cells and modern security screening areas
- Courtrooms designed to handle today's caseloads without overcrowding
- Dedicated jury boxes and jury deliberation rooms for all judges
- Full ADA accessibility for visitors, jurors, and employees
- Improved public service areas that prevent long lines and congestion
- Space for modern technology and future service improvements
- Secure, functional workspace for court employees
- Capacity for future judges, staff, and continued population growth



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PUBLIC SAFETY



SHERIFF

Approximately 70% of detainees at the Cobb County Jail have a mental health disability, yet the facility lacks adequate space and infrastructure to properly care for them. There is also no appropriate area to treat detainees requiring detoxification or higher levels of medical care, forcing frequent transports to outside hospitals. These offsite transports require two to three deputies per detainee, reducing staffing levels and impacting safety and operations within the jail.



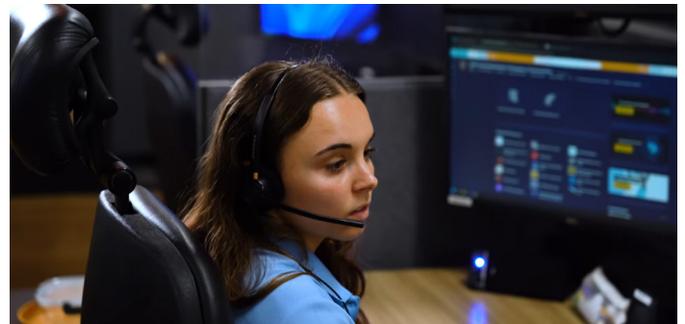
To address these challenges, the proposed new infirmary building will include:

- 250 beds
- A fully staffed urgent care unit
- A dedicated detoxification area
- Five padded cells for mental health crises
- On-site dialysis
- A medical isolation unit
- A separate laundry facility to reduce the spread of illness

The infirmary will feature modern, humane design and safety-focused technology, improving care for detainees while strengthening overall facility operations.

911

Upgrades to Cobb's radio infrastructure, supporting our 911 Center and first responders, as well as other crucial departments and partners who keep the county's residents safe. Parts of the current radio system are nearing their "end of life," meaning manufacturers will be unable to expand it to handle future needs. These upgrades will ensure the radio system can serve Cobb residents for years to come.



POLICE

Renovations to Cobb's Police Precincts. Cobb Police Officers serve our citizens through six police precincts placed throughout the county. As the county grows and demand for law enforcement response increases, these precincts must be modernized to allow officers to handle these calls efficiently and quickly.



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SENIOR SERVICES

TIM D. LEE SENIOR CENTER EXPANSION

The Tim D. Lee Senior Center is one of Cobb County Senior Services' busiest locations, serving a rapidly growing population of residents age 55 and older. Demand for programs and services has increased significantly in recent years, resulting in full classes and long waitlists. With participation rising sharply and Cobb County's senior population continuing to grow, expanding the center is essential to ensure seniors can continue to access the programs, services, and social opportunities that support healthy, active aging.



The proposed expansion would include:

- More space to meet the growing demand for senior programs and services
- Increased capacity for fitness, education, and social activities
- Reduced waitlists and overcrowding in popular classes
- Flexible space that can be shared with other county services, including elections
- A familiar, accessible, and welcoming polling location for voters
- Support for healthy aging and social connection in the community



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PARKS

PROPOSED SPLOST PROJECTS

- Facility Renovations and Improvements at multiple parks, art centers, aquatic centers, and trails throughout the County.
- Technology, Life Safety & Security Improvements: Add security cameras, license plate readers, and emergency phones to properties to improve public safety.
- Synthetic Turf Conversion and Replacement: Conversion of existing natural surfaces to synthetic turf and replacement of existing turf surfaces that have reached the end of their life cycle.
- Mechanical Systems Replacement/Electrical & Lighting Upgrades: Upgrade and replacement of aging Mechanical and Electrical systems in various parks to include, LED lighting fixtures, HVAC system replacements/upgrades, and dehumidification systems in various buildings.
- Subsurface Infrastructure: Replacement of failing storm/sewer pipe and underground utilities at various park properties.
- Parks Paving & Concrete Improvements: Resurface/ Repave existing parking, driveways, and trails in various parks and adding more parking capacity as needed.
- Park Amenities/ Park & Facility Signage: Installation and replacement of park amenities such as bleachers, pavilions, shade structures, water fountains, and playground safety structures and new or replacement of signage in various parks.



CENTRAL AQUATIC CENTER
REPLACEMENT



NEW DISTRICT 4
RECREATION CENTER



BIG SHANTY - ART STATION
REPLACEMENT



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SPLOST FACTS & LIBRARIES



Georgia's Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) Facts

- SPLOST is a voter-approved, temporary 1% sales tax used only for specific community projects
- It helps limit property tax increases by sharing the cost with visitors and non-residents
- It allows projects to be paid for in cash, avoiding long-term debt and interest costs
- It supports local jobs, infrastructure, tourism, and economic growth
- It has been used in Cobb County since 1995
- Even with SPLOST in place, Cobb remains tied with two other counties for the lowest sales tax in the state (6%)

NEW EAST COBB LIBRARY

The current East Cobb Library is the second highest circulating library (out of 15 branches) in the Cobb County Library System. Over 132 thousand patrons visited the library in 2024. Currently, the County pays for the lease of a 16,864 sq. ft. retail space, adaptively used as a library. The library sits in the Parkaire Landing Shopping Center at the intersection of Johnson Ferry and Lower Roswell Roads. The 20-year lease expires on 7/31/2029. Costs related to the lease of this space have increased exponentially throughout the span of the lease.

To better serve the community today and into the future, a new facility is needed. To meet the needs of future growth, this permanent facility is proposed at 28,000 sq. ft.



PAST LIBRARIES BUILT WITH SPLOST FUNDS



GRITTERS LIBRARY



SEWELL MILL LIBRARY



NORTH COBB LIBRARY



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DOT

Roadway Resurfacing



Improve roadway conditions by repairing, leveling, and resurfacing

Bridges and Culverts



Repair, rehabilitate, and replace bridges and culvert structures. Upgrade adaptive traffic signal system, improve traffic center operations, and deploy connected vehicle technology

Traffic Management Technology



School Zone Improvements & Traffic Calming



Installation of traffic calming devices and transportation safety and operational improvements within school zones

Drainage Improvements



Repair and replacement of existing drainage facilities within the county rightofway

Transit Improvements



Replace Cumberland Transit Center, improve system performance, and improve bus stop amenities

Pedestrian and Regional Trails



Add new regional trails, construct sidewalks, and improve pedestrian access

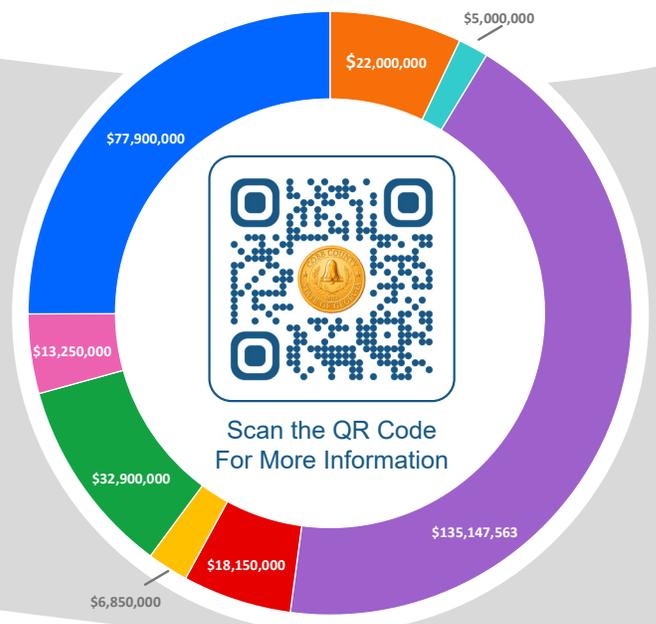
Operational and Safety Improvements



Improve key intersections and corridors to enhance safety and operations (refer to map for locations)

TRANSPORTATION BUDGET ALLOCATIONS

- Roadway Resurfacing
- Operational and Safety Improvements
- Pedestrian and Regional Trails
- Transit Improvements
- Signal Timing, Technology, & Traffic Management
- Bridges and Culverts
- Drainage Improvements
- School Zone Improvements & Traffic Calming



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