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INTRODUCTION



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September 30, 2023

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We are pleased to present to you, our residents, the Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) for the County of Jefferson, Alabama covering Fiscal Year (FY) 2024, from October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024. This report summarizes the County's finances in a straightforward, non-technical format focusing on how resources are being used to improve services, infrastructure and quality of life.

The County's financial statements conform to generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The financial statements have been audited by and have received an unmodified opinion from the accounting firm of Mauldin & Jenkins, LLC.

Through this report, Jefferson County is continuing its commitment to transparency by allowing citizens to see how your tax dollars work for you and to understand the steps the County is taking to continue building a resilient, thriving community. We aim to tell the story of our journey: where we've been, the challenges we've overcome, and our goals for a prosperous future. By sharing these insights, we hope to foster trust, accountability, and a strong partnership with you, the residents of Jefferson County.

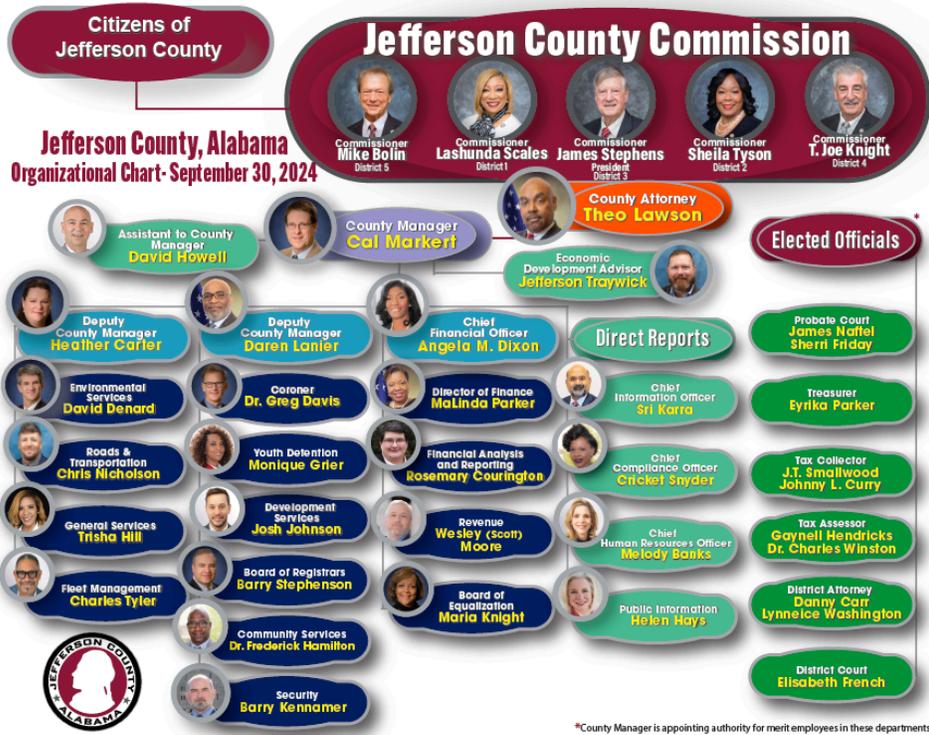
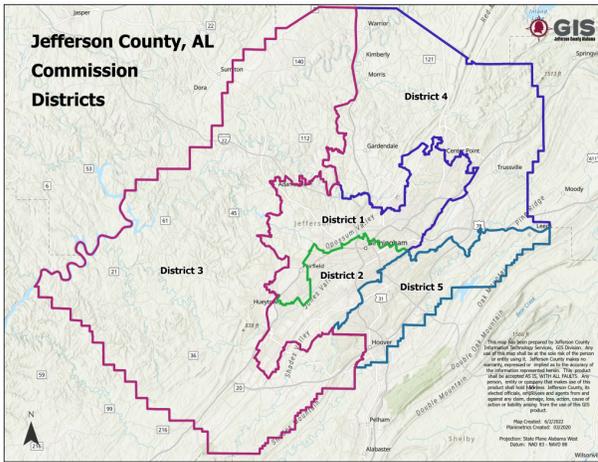
Respectfully,

Angela M. Dixon, CPA
Chief Financial Officer

The award winning financial report can be found on the Jefferson County website here:

<https://www.jccal.org/Default.asp?ID=1019&pg=Audits+%26+Financials&subcatid=23>

ABOUT JEFFERSON COUNTY



VISION

To be a model local government that anticipates and meets the evolving needs of a diverse community with energy, character, dedication and accountability.

MISSION

Providing exceptional, everyday service through character and competence.

OUR VALUES

- **Transparency:** All needed information is provided through communication that can be trusted among commissioners, departments, employees and the community.
- **Inclusion:** We value the diverse viewpoints, perspectives and backgrounds of all employees and citizens.
- **Integrity:** From the top down and the bottom up, Jefferson County acts with honesty, trustworthiness and integrity.
- **Innovation:** Every day provides the opportunity to take a fresh perspective on how to best serve the needs of Jefferson County citizens.
- **Energetic Service:** Each employee and department is accountable to providing the highest quality customer service to our citizens.
- **Safety:** The health and well-being of Jefferson County citizens, including employees, is of paramount importance for each department and individual serving the County.

ROAD TO RECOVERY

2008-2011 - TROUBLES BREWING

Jefferson County, the most populous county in the State of Alabama, was known for its strong economy and financial stability until early 2008 when the economic upheaval resulting from the nationwide subprime mortgage crisis caused a significant portion of the County's outstanding sewer debt to be accelerated. Instead of paying off the outstanding debt over 30 or 40 years as expected, the County was expected to pay this debt over 4 years. As a result, the County's sewer debt rating was reduced to junk bond status which triggered penalties and higher interest rates for all of the outstanding sewer debt. The County had issued the sewer debt to meet the requirements of a federal court order from 1996 to repair and rebuild its sewer system, after the court found that County sewage was polluting rivers and streams. In order to meet the requirements of the resulting EPA Consent Decree, the County initially estimated construction costs ranging between \$300 million to \$1.2 billion. The County ultimately borrowed and spent more than \$3.05 billion and corruption played a significant role in both financing and constructing the resulting sewer projects. Twenty-one individuals, including three County Commissioners, were either found guilty or pled guilty to charges of corruption, bribery, or obstruction of justice in connection with sewer financing and construction. Further damage to the County's precarious financial position came in 2009 when the County's occupational tax was ruled to be unconstitutional. The occupational tax had accounted for over 40% of the funding for the County's general administration and the Sheriff's department and had provided roughly \$600 million to the County between 2000 and 2009. The loss of the occupational tax revenue, the subprime mortgage crisis, and the recession of 2008 were the key factors that plunged the County's debt to junk bond status. The inability to generate additional revenue needed to pay vendors put a strain on the County's ability to provide essential services. Corrupt and questionable leadership only worsened matters, creating a sense of uncertainty and instability for citizens, creditors and other stakeholders, which led to the County filing for bankruptcy in November 2011, as the largest municipal bankruptcy in U.S. history at the time. In 2010, the citizens of Jefferson County demanded a change in the status quo and elected all new members of the County Commission. This was the beginning of the rebuilding of Jefferson County. The newly elected commissioners accepted the challenge and diligently worked together across party lines to rehabilitate the County.

2011-2020 - NEW APPROACH FORWARD

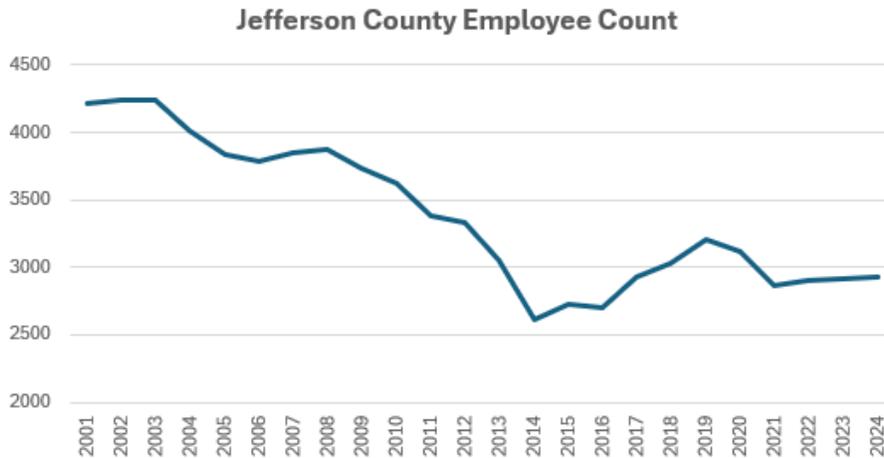
The newly elected commission was faced with many challenges and had to make a number of difficult decisions that were not popular. However, the commissioners exhibited courage, commitment and perseverance during some of the darkest days in the history of Jefferson County. After filing for bankruptcy in November 2011, the County was determined to turn things around and the State legislature approved the County reorganizing its leadership structure to the County Manager form of government, a move that proved to be a pivotal moment in the County's recovery. The County took another important step to get its finances back on track, by conducting a nationwide search to hire a Chief Financial Officer along with other senior leadership positions to broaden the talent pool and seek highly qualified candidates with diverse backgrounds to create a leadership team of strategic thinkers and visionary leaders. This leadership team started the process by implementing a plan to exit bankruptcy, restructure the debt, build a reserve, and regain the trust of the public. In November 2013, the bankruptcy court approved the County's plan to exit bankruptcy effective December 3, 2013.

ROAD TO RECOVERY (CONTINUED)

2011-2020 - NEW APPROACH FORWARD (CONTINUED)

During this time the County Commission had to make many hard decisions, which included reducing the County's workforce, limiting the services offered by Cooper Green Hospital and refinancing the County's outstanding non-sewer debt. The Commission was also successful in lobbying the state legislature to pass a new one-cent sales tax to enable the aforementioned refinancing and create a stream of revenue supporting the County's general fund along with all the school systems within Jefferson County. In addition, the County began to build a general fund reserve and created multiple emergency funds. These proactive steps had a direct impact on the County rebuilding its public image and credit rating with multiple rating agencies.

The County introduced stronger checks and balances, focusing on transparency, accountability and, above all, fiscal responsibility. These efforts began to pay huge dividends for the citizens of Jefferson County.



2020 - PRESENT - RECOVERY AND BEYOND

The current Commissioners remain committed to ensuring the County remains financially stable by implementing policies that ensure the County does not repeat the financial mistakes of the past. The current executive leadership team put in place by the Commission has developed strategic goals for a positive financial outlook for years to come that can withstand economic downturns and is committed to making sound financial decisions that will benefit the citizens and support a strong financial future.

Jefferson County's current financial plan is to maintain and improve the County's bond ratings with all rating agencies, continue to build fund balance, prioritize capital and funding plans for critical infrastructure, provide accurate and reliable revenue and expenditure forecasting, and maintain a transparent financial environment, free of fraud, waste, and abuse.

The County's Finance Department received its first award for financial reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) in 2023 for FY 2022 and was subsequently awarded that distinction again for FY 2023. The County has also received the GFOA Distinguished Budget Presentation award for the past six years.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Over the last decade, Jefferson County has become a strong, service-oriented local government focused on making the County a thriving community. Our 5-year strategic plan was developed as a roadmap to guide our promise to our citizens. It provides accountability and transparency. You can find more information on our strategic plan at <https://performance.jccal.org/>

Four Focus Areas

1. Promote a citizen focused culture that strives for accountability and consistent, efficient, delivery of service.

Improve online offerings to reduce in-person transaction time spent in line in the Department of Revenue.

Target < 8 minutes, 23 seconds
Actual = 5 minutes 35 seconds



Reduce Combo Residential permitting time by 40% over 4 years at a rate of 10% per year.

Target = 9 days
Actual = 4.9 days



Reduce Combo Commercial permitting time by 40% over 4 years at a rate of 10% per year.

Target = 18 days
Actual = 31 days

2. Create quality infrastructure that is efficient and serves the community.

Strive to repave 100 County miles per year.

Target = 100 miles
Actual = 100 miles



Reduce the number of sewer backups 20% over the next 4 years.

Target = 20.5
Actual = 10



Maintain or increase annual number of household hazardous waste or electronic waste collection events.

Target = 5 events each year
Actual = 5 events occurred



3. Build the economic stability of the County and create a culture of trust and financial transparency.

Sustain or improve bond ratings from the bond rating agencies - Standard & Poor's, Moody's, and Fitch Ratings.

Target = Maintain or improve bond ratings
Actual = Ratings maintained or improved. See Long-Term Debt Ratings on Page 15

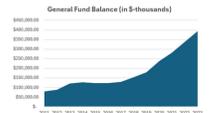
Maintain reserve funds at a level greater than 16% of the General Funds annual expenditures.

Target = Reserve funds > 16% of expenditures
Actual = 28.4%



Maintain Unassigned General Fund balance at 50% of expenditures on an annual basis.

Target > 50% of expenditures
Actual = 90.9%



4. Attract, select, develop and retain our skilled and diverse workforce.

Maintain an employee retention level of 92% over 24 consecutive months.

Target = 92%
Actual = 91%



Increase employee retention in the 1st year of employment to 80%

Target = 80%
Actual = 82.4%

Reduce vacancy rate to less than 5%.

Target < 5%
Actual = 13.8%



COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS



Jefferson County Commissioners joined members of the Coca-Cola executive team to break ground on the state-of-the-art new Coca-Cola Distribution facility that will be a gateway project for the community and will reclaim an old brownfield site in the City of Birmingham.



Commissioner Scales cuts the ribbon on the new Goodr grocery store for those in need.



Commissioner Tyson joins the Mayor of Brighton and other city representatives to break ground on a new storm shelter.



Commissioners Bolin, Knight and Tyson break ground on the new Jefferson County Animal Control facility with members from the Greater Birmingham Humane Society that currently manage animal control services for Jefferson County.



Commissioners Knight and Scales at a news conference explaining the use of ARPA funds to provide the city of Midfield and other EMS entities with new and refurbished trucks for ambulatory service improvements.



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COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS (CONTINUED)



Commissioners Stephens and Tyson join State Representative Terri Sewell, the Mayor of Bessemer and members of Jefferson County's legislative delegation on awarding the Bessemer Airport a \$500,000 grant.



Commissioners cutting the ribbon with leadership from UAB on the new Cooper Green Mercy Health Services Clinic.



Jefferson County Commissioners cut the ribbon on a new display at the Jefferson County Courthouse (2nd floor outside of Commission Chambers). The exhibit shows the history of the Birmingham Industrial League, which started in 1928 and is still active today. At the ribbon cutting, Dr. Layton Revel founder of the Negro Southern League Museum and researcher for this exhibit, presented a special recognition to Jack Swain, who won more championship trophies than any other manager in the league. Many of the players showed up to view the exhibit. This is just the beginning of larger exhibits that the Commission is funding that will be placed at Regions and Rickwood Field preserving this important part of baseball history in Jefferson County.



Members of the Jefferson County Commission joined Governor Kay Ivey to help cut the ribbon on the new Smucker's facility in McCalla. This state-of-the-art 900,000 square-foot production and distribution facility is Smucker's 3rd in the U.S., as well as its largest, and boasts the largest bakery oven in the world. It will employ more than 700 when fully operational and can make 400,000 Uncrustables in a 12-hour work shift! It's fully automated and is a zero-waste facility.



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FY 2024 BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

Jefferson County operates on a fiscal year which begins on October 1 of each year and ends on September 30.

In March, the Budget Management Office forecasts long-range revenues and expenditures and begins a mid-year analysis of revenues and expenditures for all funds. This long-range analysis is the basis for capital planning for the upcoming fiscal year and future years.

In April, each County department is asked to review its critical issues and set goals to solve them.

In September, the Jefferson County Commissioners formally adopted the recommended budget during a public Commission meeting. The adopted budget consists of an estimate of revenues, authorized appropriations, and approved staffing levels for each department.

The approved operating budget for fiscal year 2024 includes estimated revenues of \$843,638,154 and operating appropriations of \$1,003,221,927. Overall, County revenues increased primarily due to the Simplified Sellers Tax on online purchases, and the continued strength of the Ad Valorem Tax due to changes in the revaluation of property. Core revenues coming from the general sales tax and one cent sales tax on the Limited Refunding Tax are projected to increase by approximately 7% above actual fiscal year 2023 collections.

Major revenue changes from FY23 to FY24 are listed below.

Taxes and Penalties	\$29 million increase
Licenses and Permits	\$811 thousand decrease
Intergovernmental	\$32 million decrease
Charges for Services	\$22 million increase
Miscellaneous Revenues	\$6 million increase

The approved expenditure budget for all operating funds is \$1,003,221,927 which represents an overall increase of \$40,889,230 from fiscal year 2023 or 6%.

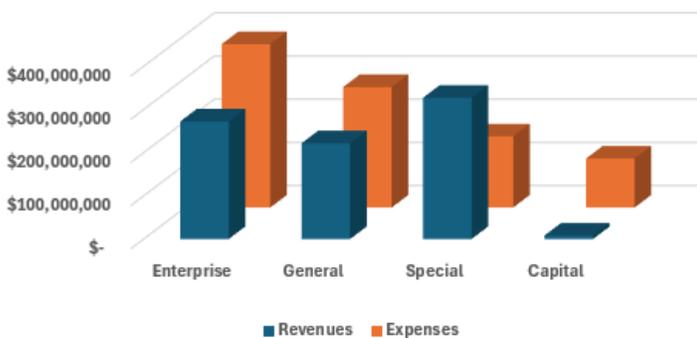
Major expenditure changes from FY23 to FY24 are listed below.

General Fund	\$15.5 million increase
Special Revenue Funds	\$10.0 million increase
Capital Funds	\$31.0 million increase
Enterprise Funds	\$18.0 million decrease
Trust and Agency	\$1.6 million increase

Budget Highlights

- 3.5% Cost of Living Increase
- \$1 Billion Operating & Capital Budget
- Salary increase for Public Safety Employees
- Road Projects \$58 Million

Revenue and Expenses by Fund



Our budgets can be found at this link:
<https://www.jccal.org/Default.asp?ID=138&pg=Budget+Management+Office&hilite=budget>

DEMOGRAPHIC FACTS

FOUNDED

DECEMBER 1819

GEOGRAPHY

1,124
SQUARE MILES
LAND

13
SQUARE MILES
WATER

RACE, ETHNICITY, GENDER



48%

White

43%

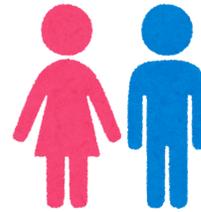
Black &
African
American

6%

Hispanic
& Latino

3%

Asian &
Other



53%

Female

47%

Male

<https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/jeffersoncountyalabama>

Source: 2023 Census Reporter

DEMOGRAPHICS

674,721
NUMBER OF RESIDENTS

Source: 2020 U.S. Census Bureau

38
MEDIAN AGE

Source: 2023 Census Reporter

\$71,295
PER CAPITA
PERSONAL INCOME

Source: 2023 Federal Reserve Bank Economic Data

91%
RESIDENTS GRADUATED
HIGH SCHOOL

Source: 2023 Census Reporter



36%
RESIDENTS HAVE
BACHELOR'S DEGREE

Source: 2023 Census Reporter

BUSINESS AND EMPLOYMENT FACTS



TEN LARGEST EMPLOYERS IN JEFFERSON COUNTY

UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA/ BIRMINGHAM

REGIONS FINANCIAL SYSTEM

ST. VINCENT'S HEALTH SYSTEM

CHILDREN'S HEALTH SYSTEM

A T & T

BROOKWOOD BAPTIST HEALTH

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM

BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF ALABAMA

ALABAMA POWER

Source: Birmingham Business Alliance, as of February 2022

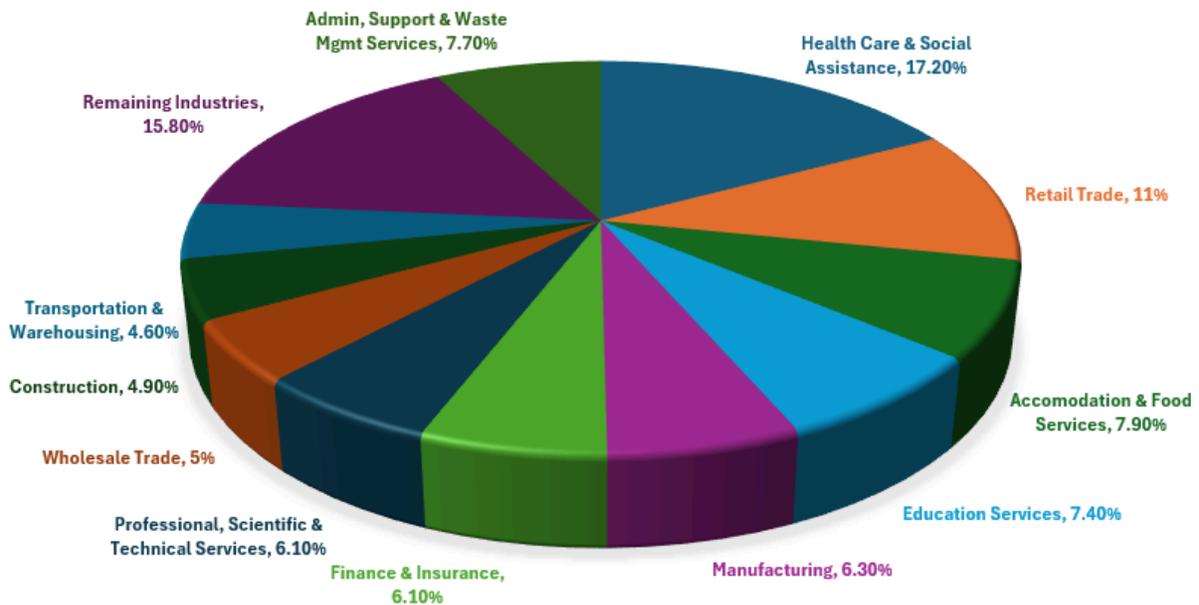


3.1%
JEFFERSON COUNTY
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

4.2%
NATIONWIDE
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

Source: Alabama Department of Labor October 2024 Civilian Labor Force Data

EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY



Source: 2022 Longitudinal Employer Household Dynamics program which is a partnership between the Census Bureau and the Alabama Department of Labor, Labor Market Information Division

FINANCIAL FACTS

Summary of Changes in Net Position					
Total Primary Government					
For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30					
(\$-thousands)					
	Governmental	Business-	Total 2024	Total 2023	Total 2022
	Activities	Type			
		Activities			
Revenues					
Program revenues	\$ 146,335	\$ 305,926	\$ 452,261	\$ 413,157	\$ 397,026
General revenues	500,320	59,026	559,346	514,864	401,773
Total Revenues	646,655	364,952	1,011,607	928,021	798,799
Expenses					
General government	272,627	-	272,627	254,506	169,336
Public Safety	115,667	-	115,667	106,643	99,434
Highways and roads	56,223	-	56,223	53,699	48,824
Health and welfare	103,527	-	103,527	78,135	85,329
Community development	6,594	-	6,594	9,343	10,864
Sanitation and landfill operations	-	404,392	404,392	412,561	391,087
Other	13,250	590	13,840	14,551	14,528
Total Expenses	567,888	404,982	972,870	929,438	819,402
Increase (Decrease) in Net Position	78,767	(40,030)	38,737	(1,417)	(20,603)
Transfers In (Out)	(13,077)	13,077	-	-	-
Net Position, Beginning of Period	507,670	23,130	530,800	532,217	552,820
Net Position, End of Period	\$ 573,360	\$ (3,823)	\$ 569,537	\$ 530,800	\$ 532,217

Program Revenues are derived directly from the program itself or from parties outside of the County's taxpayers or citizens. It includes:

- *Operating Grants & Contributions* - monies received from parties outside of the County that are generally restricted to one or more specific programs;
- *Charges for Services* - revenues that arise from charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from the goods, services, or privileges provided; and
- *Capital Grants and Contributions* - monies received for capital purposes to purchase, construct, or renovate capital assets associated with a specific program.

General Revenues are taxes and other items such as unrestricted interest revenue not reported as program revenues.

General Government includes expenses incurred by the County Commission, Tax Collector, Tax Assessor, County Manager's office, Board of Equalization, Treasurer's office and other departments within the County.

Public Safety consists of those programs to provide for law enforcement at the County level, inmate control for youthful and adult offenders, expert investigations of suspicious deaths, and coordination of area leaders when faced with large-scale disasters.

Highways and roads consist of programs to plan, build, and maintain the public roads and bridges, provide the traffic controls, and manage the fleet of County vehicles required to serve all citizens.

Health and welfare includes using public revenues to provide clinical services for the disadvantaged in the County and services for the elderly via the Office of Senior Services.

Sanitation and landfill operations covers those programs whereby the County works to improve the environment, collect solid waste outside of municipalities, and collect and treat wastewater for the entire County.

Other expenses include but are not limited to law library operations as well as interest and fiscal charges.

FINANCIAL FACTS (CONTINUED)

Statement of Position Total Primary Government For the Fiscal Year Ended September 30 (\$-thousands)					
	Governmental Activities	Business- Type Activities	Total 2024	Total 2023	Total 2022
Current Assets	\$ 938,892	\$ 557,553	\$ 1,496,445	\$ 1,491,377	\$ 1,663,367
Capital Assets, Net of Depreciation and Amortization	427,746	1,896,021	2,323,767	2,292,630	2,280,461
Deferred Outflows of Resources	103,250	176,212	279,462	180,652	62,295
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows	1,470,888	2,629,786	4,100,674	3,964,659	4,006,123
Current Liabilities	154,994	119,931	274,925	276,309	259,810
Non-Current Liabilities	536,908	2,499,173	3,036,081	2,950,673	2,900,555
Deferred Inflows of Resources	205,626	14,505	220,131	206,877	313,541
Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows	897,527	2,633,610	3,531,137	3,433,859	3,473,906
Net Investment in Capital Assets	63,388	222,888	286,276	198,612	144,574
Restricted Net Position	87,483	437,463	524,946	539,717	535,281
Unrestricted Net Position	422,489	(664,174)	(241,685)	(207,529)	(147,638)
Total Net Position	\$ 573,360	\$ (3,823)	\$ 569,537	\$ 530,800	\$ 532,217

Current Assets - Assets that one can reasonably expect to convert to cash, sell, or use within one year.

Capital Assets - The County's long-term investments in land, buildings, equipment, improvements, infrastructure, and construction in progress. The County uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending.

Deferred Outflows of Resources - A consumption of net assets by the government that is applicable to a future reporting period. It has a positive effect on net position, similar to assets.

Current Liabilities - These are primarily debts that can be paid off in one year or less. This includes accounts payable, accrued payroll, an accrued interest payable.

Long-Term Liabilities - Represents mainly debt obligations and net pension liability of the County. The proceeds from various debt issues are used to finance large projects such as road construction and sewer improvements.

Deferred Inflows of Resources - An acquisition of net assets by the County that is applicable to a future reporting period. It has a negative effect on net position, similar to liabilities.

Net Investment in Capital Assets - This represents the County's investment in its capital assets less accumulated depreciation and any outstanding debt attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of these assets.

Restricted Net Position - Resources whose use is subject to externally imposed restrictions. The County has resources set aside for debt service payments, other capital projects, and required reserves.

Unrestricted Net Position - Resources available to the County to provide services to the citizens and creditors if there were no additional revenues or resources available.

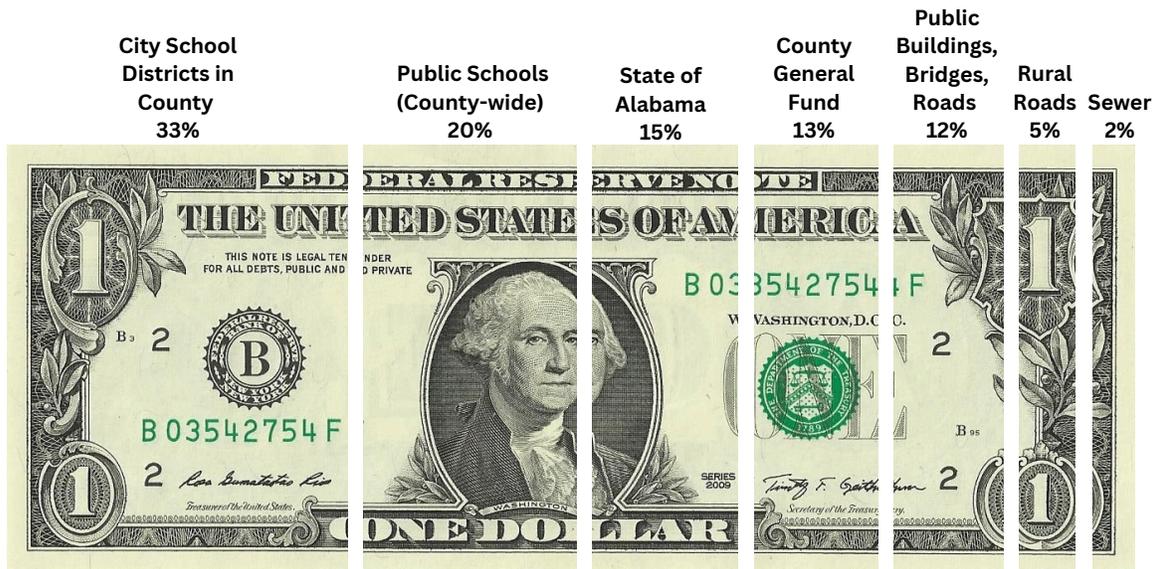
WHERE THE MONEY COMES FROM AND GOES

In Jefferson County, property taxes are billed by the Tax Collector's Office based on the **assessed value** of a property multiplied by the approved (levied) **tax rate**.

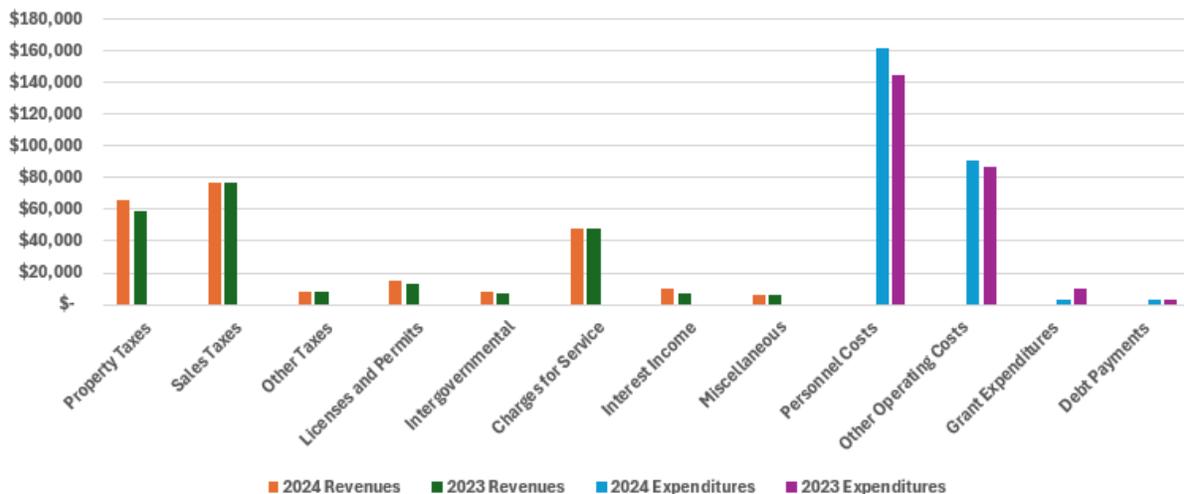
Property values are reassessed by the Board of Equalization annually using the past year's market activity. Therefore, this can cause fluctuation in the growth rate of the assessed values from year to year.

$$\text{Assessed Value} \times \text{Tax Rate} = \text{Tax Bill}$$

Where Your Property Tax Dollar Goes?



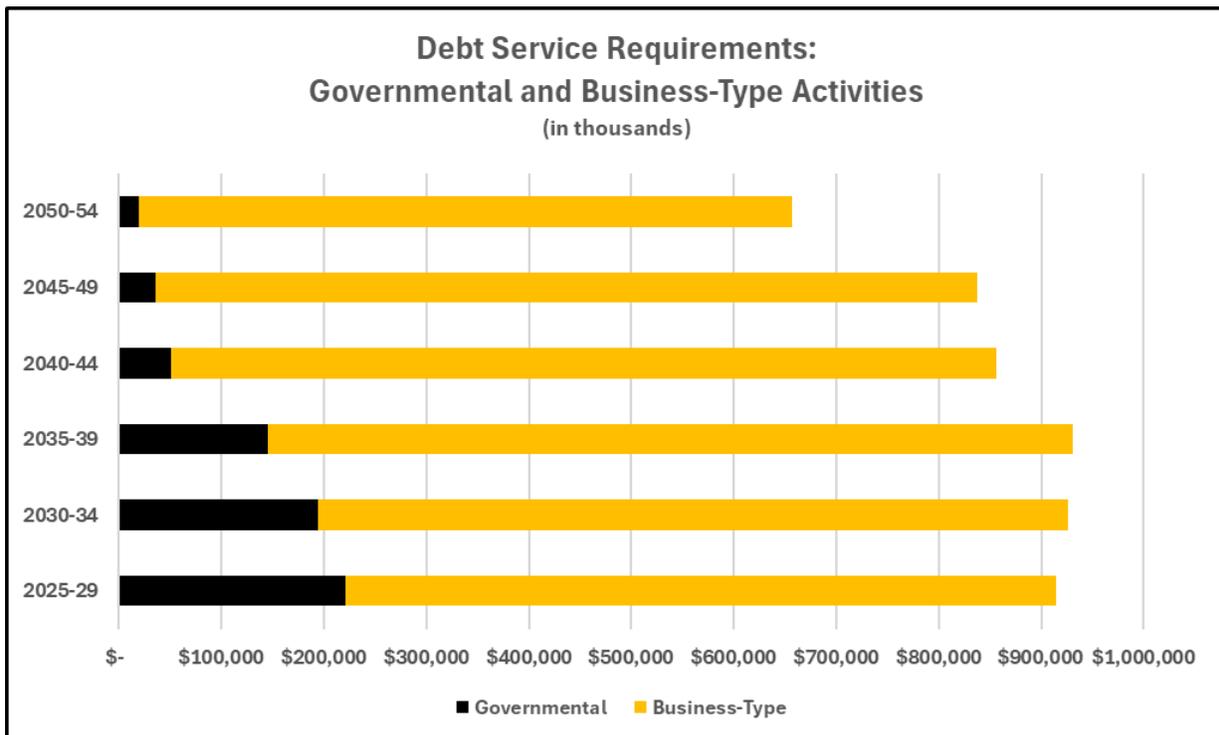
Governmental Revenue & Expenditures
 For the Years Ended September 30, 2024 and 2023
 (in thousands)
 Total Revenues: FY 24 - \$235,861, FY 23 - \$224,549
 Total Expenditures: FY24 - \$259,407, FY 23 - \$244,757



LONG-TERM DEBT

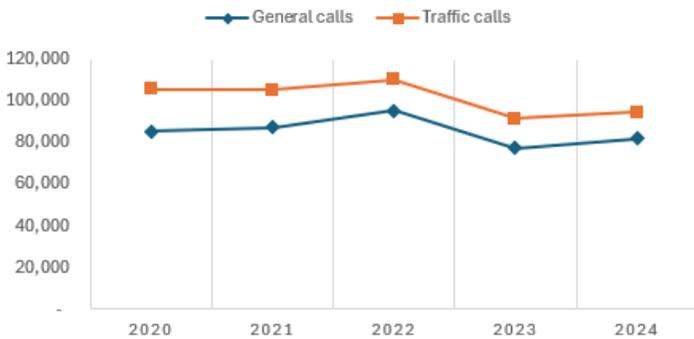
Debt Summary

Warrants	Maturity Date	Amount Outstanding	Source of Payment	Bond Ratings
Governmental Type				
Limited Obligation Refunding Warrants				
Series 2017	9/15/2042	\$ 259,010,000	Special Revenue Sales Tax	AA+ (S&P) AA (Fitch)
General Obligation Warrants				
Series 2018-A	4/1/2026	\$ 26,200,000	General Fund	A3 (Moody's) AA (S&P) AA (Fitch)
General Obligation BJCC Funding Agreement				
Series 2018-E	7/1/2048	\$ 15,654,620	General Fund	N/A
Series 2023-A	6/1/2053	\$ 10,000,000	General Fund	N/A
ATIB Limited Obligation Revenue Bonds				
Series 2022-B	8/15/2042	\$ 62,380,000	General Fund	N/A
Cooper Green Mercy Health Services Authority Funding Agreement				
2022	9/1/2052	\$ 81,990,000	Indigent Care Fund	N/A
Business-Type				
Sewer Revenue Warrants				
Series 2024	10/1/2053	\$ 2,242,675,000	Sewer System Revenues	BBB+ (S&P) BBB (Fitch) Baa1 (Moody's)



KEY SOCIAL STATISTICS

SHERIFF OPERATING INDICATORS



	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
General calls	85,362	87,496	95,383	77,332	81,990
Traffic calls	20,352	17,722	15,085	14,235	12,711

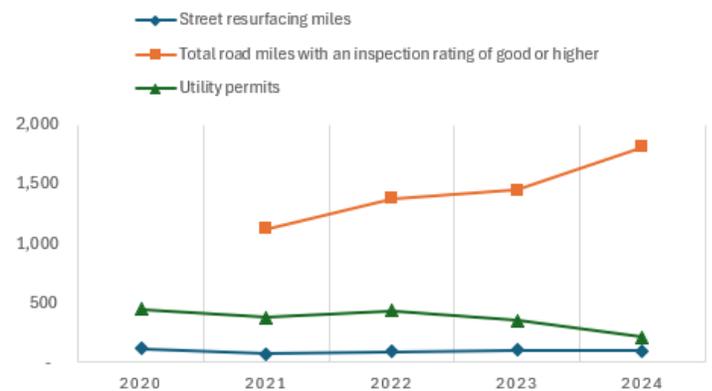
ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS COMPLETED IN FY 24

- Fieldstown Road resurfacings
- Grants Mill Road widening and intersection improvements
- Sydney Drive improvements and roundabout
- Parkwood Road bridge replacement and improvements
- County-wide culvert replacement of 1300 LF of corrugated metal pipe to reinforced concrete pipe
- Paved 100 miles of roadway



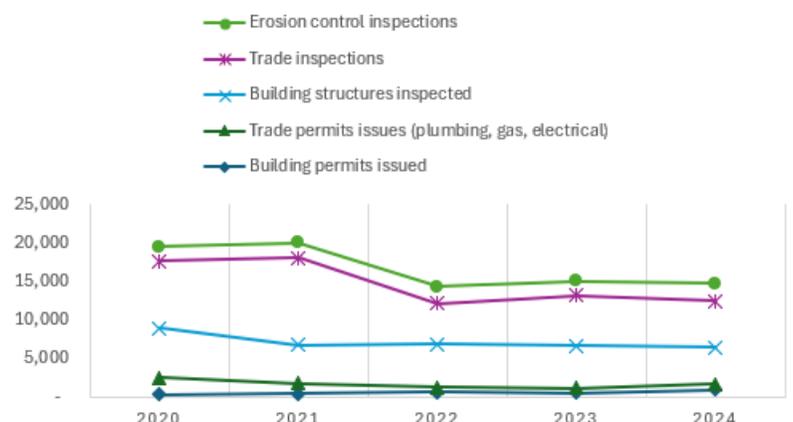
The new turbo roundabout (2nd in the country) outside the new J.M. Smucker facility in McCalla.

TRANSPORTATION OPERATING INDICATORS



	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Street resurfacing miles	115	73	95	107	100
Total road miles with an inspection rating of good or higher		1,125	1,383	1,449	1,813
Utility permits	447	377	434	355	212

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES OPERATING INDICATORS



	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Building permits issued	357	403	615	482	980
Trade permits issues (plumbing, gas, electrical)	2,191	1,424	674	626	667
Building structures inspected	6,441	4,937	5,528	5,518	4,849
Trade inspections	8,663	11,276	5,308	6,622	5,990
Erosion control inspections	1,915	2,037	2,169	1,848	2,246

FREQUENTLY CALLED NUMBERS



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You can report potholes, paving requests, illegal dumping, and search the FAQ for answers to frequently asked questions.



County Commissioners

- COMMISSIONER Lashunda Scales (District 1)
205-214-5507; Room 240
- COMMISSIONER Sheila Tyson (District 2)
205-325-5074; Room 250
- COMMISSIONER James A. (Jimmie) Stephens - President (District 3)
205-325-5555; Room 210
- COMMISSIONER Joe Knight (District 4)
205-325-5070; Room 220
- COMMISSIONER Mike Bolin (District 5)
205-325-5503; Room 230

Environmental Disposal

- Obtain curbside garbage pickup, schedule large item pickup - **Amwaste - 205-788-1400**
- Used household cooking oil and grease recycling locations - **Environmental Services Dept. 205-238-3876**
- Recycling drop off centers (call for hours of operation):
 - o **Birmingham Recycling and Recovery 205-591-8201**
 - o **UAB Recycling Center 205-996-9043**
 - o **Bessemer Recycling Center 205-425-0068**
- Report suspected water pollution in a creek or other waterway **205-325-5792**
- Report a sanitary sewer emergency if sewage is backing up in your home or overflowing from a manhole - **Environmental Services Dept. 205-942-0681**
- Report illegal dumping of trash - **Development Services 205-582-6555**
- Report an overgrown or abandoned property **205-325-5321**
- Report a business being operated in a residential area, or a construction site that is not properly permitted - **Development Services 205-325-5638**
- Properly dispose of household hazardous waste such as weed and bug killer, cleaning products, paint, aerosols, electronics, batteries **205-325-8741**
- Coordinate or participate in a volunteer roadside litter cleanup **205-325-8741**

Roads

- Report potholes, road debris, trees down on roads, sight distance concerns such as mowing, litter along Jefferson County roadways:
Roads and Transportation Dept. (main number) 205-325-5141
- o Report concerns with contractor on or adjacent to roadway **205-849-2315**
- o Report missing/damaged street signs, traffic signals, striping concerns **205-849-2341 or 205-849-2336**

Railroads

- Blocked railroad crossings
CSX 1-800-232-0144
Norfolk Southern 1-800-453-2530

Community Service

- Low/moderate income housing, community storm shelters, workforce development, senior citizen services.
Community Services and Workforce Development Dept. 205-325-5761

Satellite Locations

- Bessemer Courthouse - 1801 3rd Ave. Bessemer, AL 35020
- Center Point Satellite - 2651 Center Point Pkwy, Birmingham, AL 35215
- Hoover Satellite - 1901 Hoover Ct., Hoover, AL 35226
- Northern Satellite - 651 Main Street, Gardendale, AL 35071

Sewer

- General Billing questions **205-325-5390**
- Billing for Birmingham Water Works Board Customers **205-244-4000**
- Billing for Bessemer Utilities Customers **205-481-4333**

Tag Renewal

- Main courthouse **205-325-5171**
- Bessemer courthouse **205-481-4110**
- Centerpoint satellite **205-714-7175**
- Hoover satellite **205-497-8976**
- Northern satellite **205-909-3610**