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SPLOST 7

October 2018 District Town Hall Meetings



THE "BIG" PICTURE

7% Sales Tax in Chatham County

State of Georgia

4¢

Chatham County

3¢



E-SPLOST

1%



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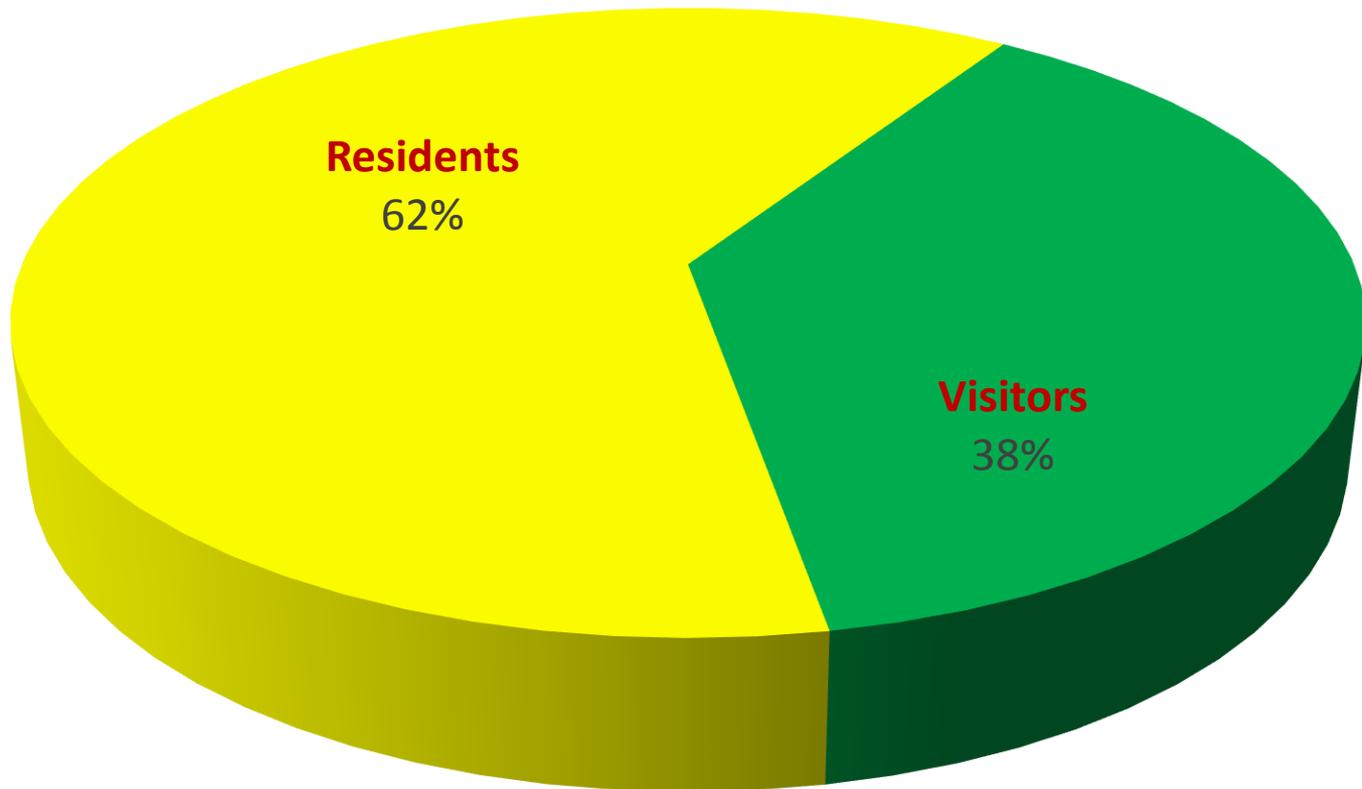
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SPLOST

1%

WHO CONTRIBUTES TO SPLOST IN CHATHAM COUNTY?



HOW DO VISITORS CONTRIBUTE TO SPLOST IN CHATHAM COUNTY?

14 Million Visitors

\$2.8 Billion in spending x 1%

\$28 Million (annual contribution to County SPLOST)

\$14 Million
FROM VISITORS

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38%
CITY'S SHARE OF SPLOST

HOW MUCH FUNDING HAS BEEN ALLOCATED TO PROJECTS?

Since 1985

Over **\$1.5 billion** allocated to projects in Chatham County

Nearly **\$525 million** for City of Savannah projects

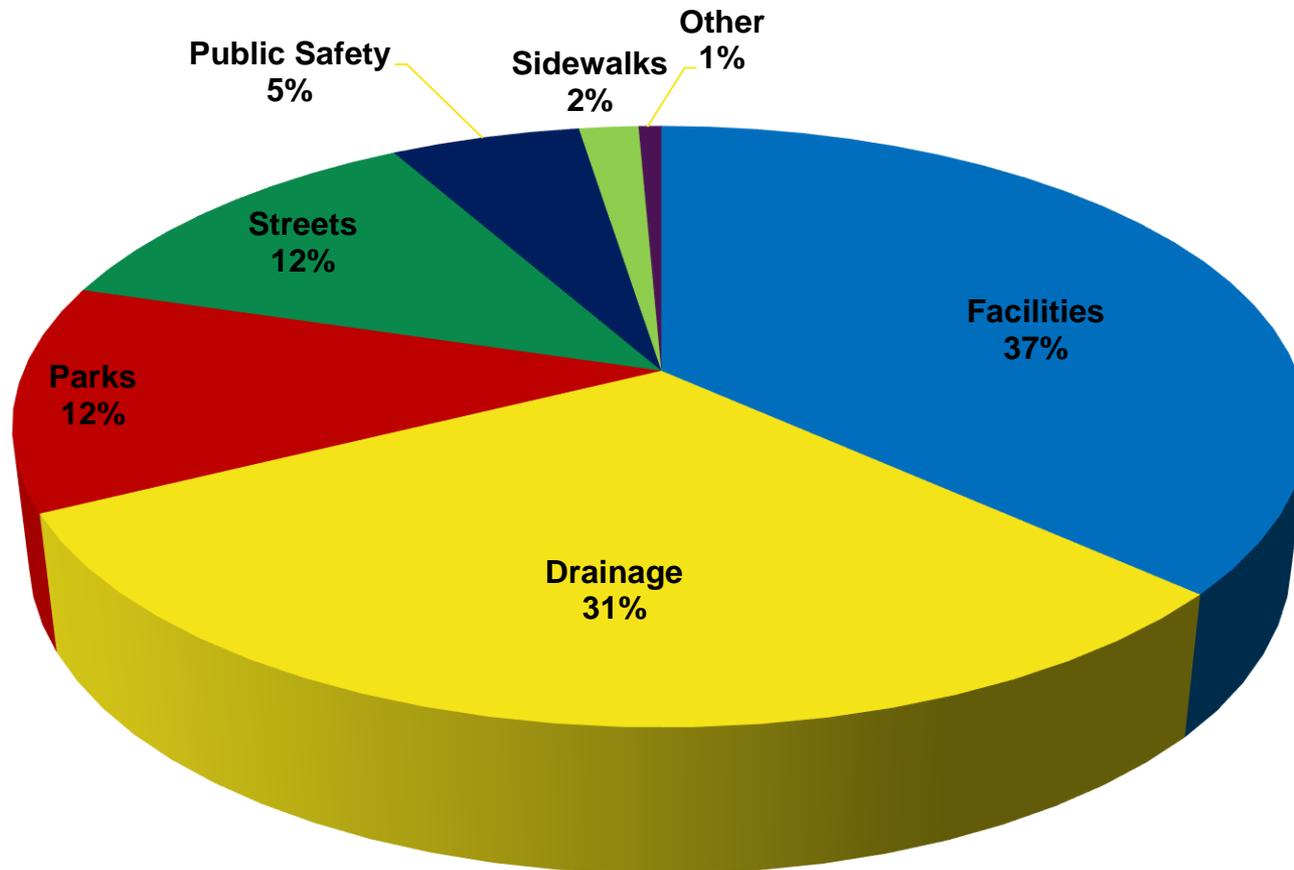


WHAT CAN SPLOST BE USED FOR?

- Can only be used to fund capital projects that voters approve
 - Capital projects are major projects that are permanent in nature
 - Some examples are:
 - Drainage Improvements
 - Public Facilities
 - Community Parks
 - Roads, Streets and Sidewalks
- Can **NOT** be used to balance the City's budget or to cover general operating or maintenance expenses



WHAT IS SPLOST BEING USED FOR IN SAVANNAH?



WHAT IS SPLOST?

- “Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax”
- 1% county sales tax
- Requires a majority vote by county residents
- 38% of the tax is paid for by non-residents
- Can only be used for capital projects

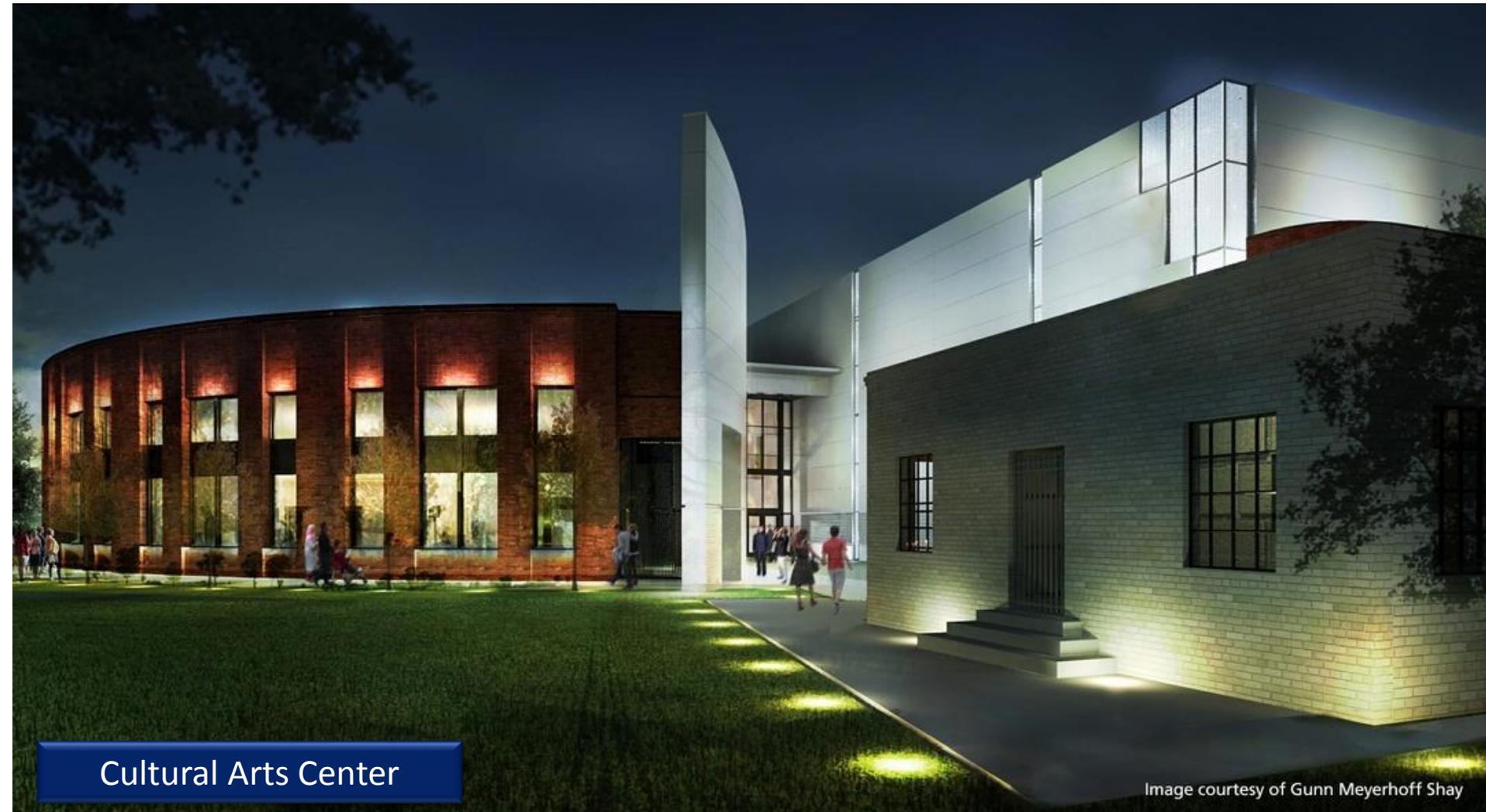


WHY SPLOST?



New Arena

WHY SPLOST?



Cultural Arts Center

Image courtesy of Gunn Meyerhoff Shay

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Central Precinct

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W.W. Law Center

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Harry S. Truman Parkway

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President Street Improvements

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Coffee Bluff Marina

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Street Lighting Upgrades

WHY SPLOST?



Bacon Park Tennis Complex

WHY SPLOST?



Drainage Projects

WHY SPLOST?



Bradley Pointe Fire Station

WHY SPLOST?



Athletic Field Turf – Daffin Park

WHY SPLOST?



Neighborhood Signs

WHY SPLOST?



Fire Training Facility

WHY SPLOST?



Savannah Gardens Infrastructure

WHY SPLOST?



Public Safety Administrative Complex

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Sidewalk Improvements

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Tompkins Community Center
Renovation and Expansion

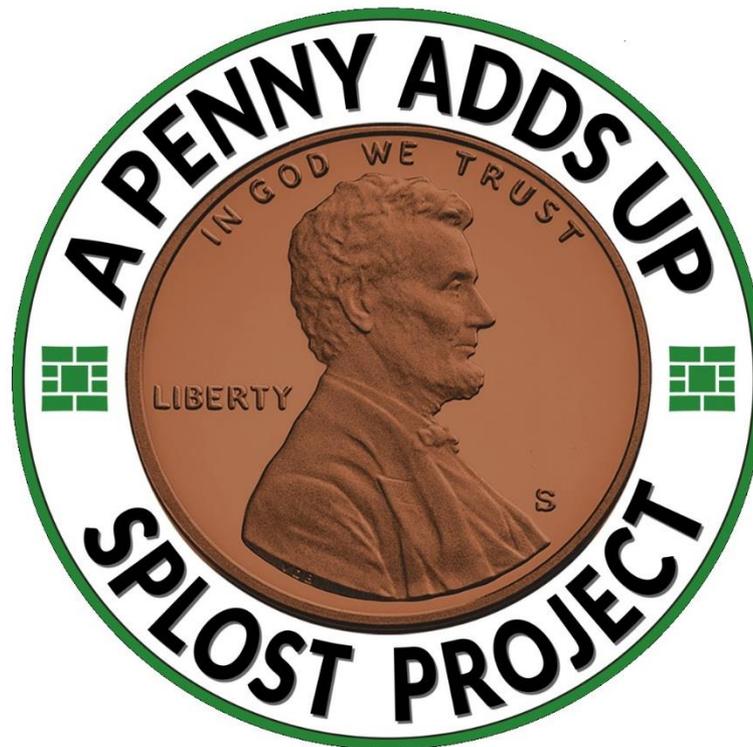
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Veteran's Park

SPLOST VOTE...

- Most recent SPLOST began in 2014 and will expire in 2020
- Next SPLOST vote will be held in 2019
 - If approved, the additional penny will be collected from 2020 to 2026



WHY SPLOST?



PUBLIC SAFETY



GOOD GOVERNMENT



INFRASTRUCTURE



NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION



ECONOMIC STRENGTH &
POVERTY REDUCTION

VISION:

*“Savannah,
an extraordinary
place to live,
learn and
prosper”*

