

2022 BUDGET — IN — 2022 BRIEF

The 2022 adopted budget continues the County's commitment to upholding the Gwinnett Standard – an expectation of excellence in service, stewardship, and integrity in everything we do.

The adopted budget:



Maintains adequate financial reserves in accordance with our policies



Supports critical infrastructure



Provides for the safety and well-being of Gwinnett residents, businesses, and visitors



Ensures that Gwinnett remains the preferred community where everyone thrives



The 2022 budget was developed with input from five county residents who served on the Budget Review Committee. Chairwoman Nicole Hendrickson, County staff, and the five citizen reviewers studied departments' and agencies' business plans, budget requests, and revenue projections to make recommendations for the budget. The Board of Commissioners adopted the budget on January 4, 2022.

Our Priorities

The 2022 budget process began with the Board of Commissioners' strategic planning session. The board issued priorities that were used by the County Administrator's Office and County departments to develop strategies that guided departmental requests. The priorities are as follows:



Organizational Excellence & Accountability

- Focused recruitment
- Professional development
- Compensation review
- Communication enhancement
- Provide language equity



Public Infrastructure

- Infrastructure investment
- Asset management, growth, and infrastructure
- Transportation, mobility, and transit
- Develop transportation alternatives



Safe, Livable, & Healthy Community

- Provide/address mental health, housing, and nutritional services needs
- Evaluate and maximize public health services and partnerships
- Build relationships between communities and police officers



Sustainability & Stewardship

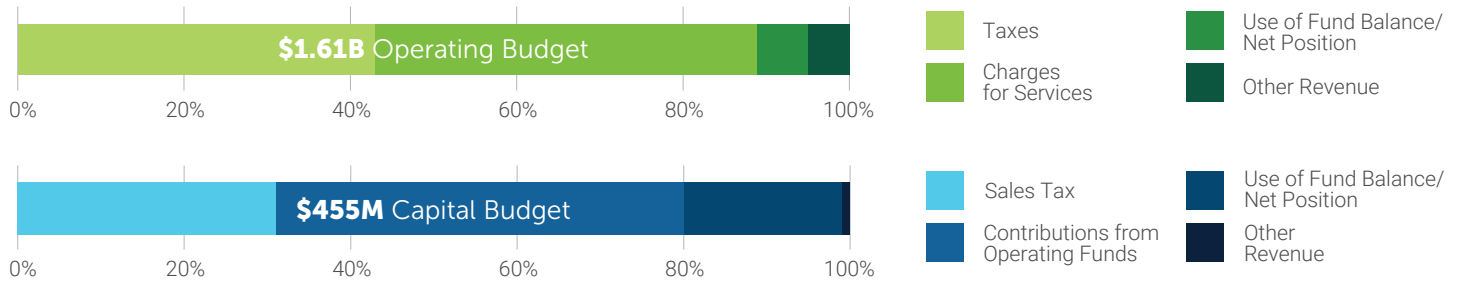
- Prudent fiscal management
- Smart investments in improved efficiency
- Evaluate open and standard technology



Economic Opportunities

- Support business startups
- Improve community protection to attract quality business
- Collaborate with industries and schools to create a pathway to workforce development
- Research supplier diversity programs

Where the Money Comes From

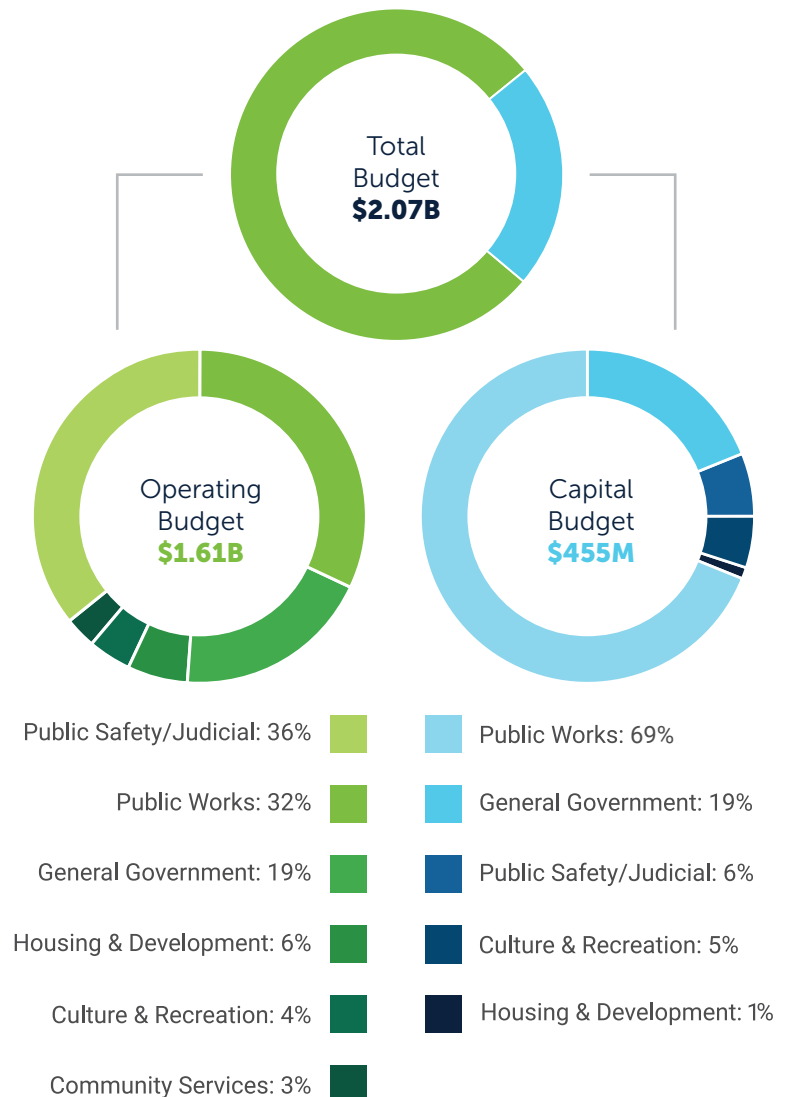


Where the Money is Going

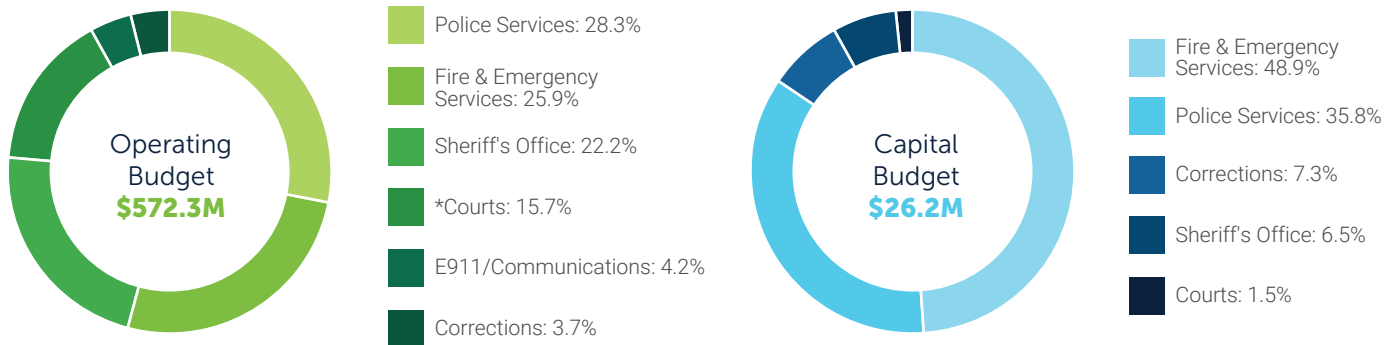
In total, the combined operating and capital budget for 2022 is \$2.07 billion, which is up 8.1 percent from the 2021 adopted budget. The operating budget of \$1.61 billion is approximately \$141 million, or 9.6 percent, higher than the adopted 2021 budget. The capital budget is \$455 million, which is an increase of approximately \$14 million compared to 2021's capital budget.

The **Operating Budget** is the portion of the budget that supports daily operations as the County works to provide basic governmental services. The operating budget includes things like salaries, benefits, supplies, and contracted services.

The **Capital Budget** is the portion of the budget that allows for the purchase, construction, or other acquisition of property or equipment with a life expectancy greater than a year. The capital budget pays for new facilities, roads, and parks as well as maintenance for existing assets and infrastructure. It also includes funds from the County's voter-approved SPLOST program.



Public Safety & Judiciary



*Courts includes the cost for the daily operations of the Superior, State, Magistrate, Juvenile, Recorder's, and Probate courts, as well as the District Attorney and Solicitor General.

Highlights

\$496,560

FOR POLICE **MENTAL HEALTH COLLABORATION** WITH VIEW POINT HEALTH

\$2.4 MILLION

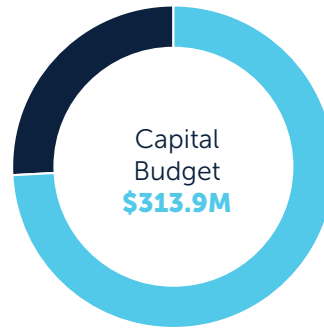
FOR 30 ADDITIONAL SWORN POLICE OFFICER POSITIONS

In 2021, the Police Department launched a co-responder program that pairs a licensed mental health professional with an officer to respond to situations where an individual is experiencing a behavioral health crisis. Funding in the 2022 budget allows this program to expand to all six precincts.

Public Works



- Department of Water Resources: 83.7%
- Solid Waste: 8.7%
- Department of Transportation: 7.6%



- Department of Water Resources: 74.2%
- Department of Transportation: 25.8%

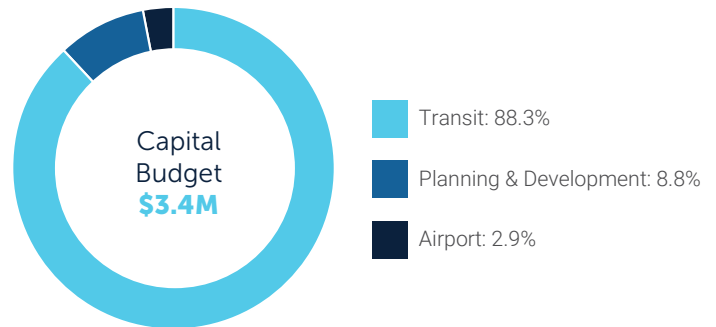
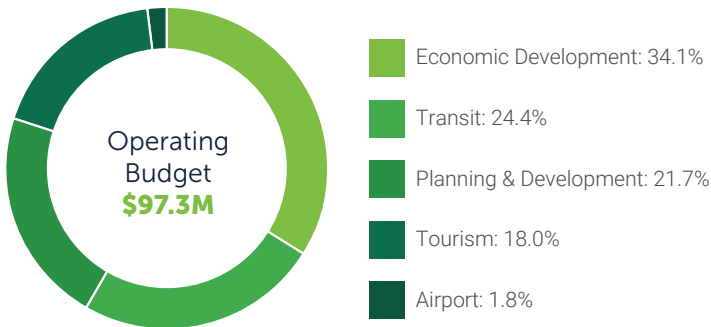
Highlights

\$42.5 MILLION FOR
WATER & SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE
IN EASTERN GWINNETT

\$17.6 MILLION FOR ROAD
RESURFACING

The Eastern Regional Infrastructure Project in the eastern part of the county will include five miles of new and upsized water mains, six miles of new gravity sewer, seven miles of parallel wastewater force main, and a regional sewer pump station.

Housing & Development



Highlights

\$2 MILLION FOR TRANSIT EXPANSION

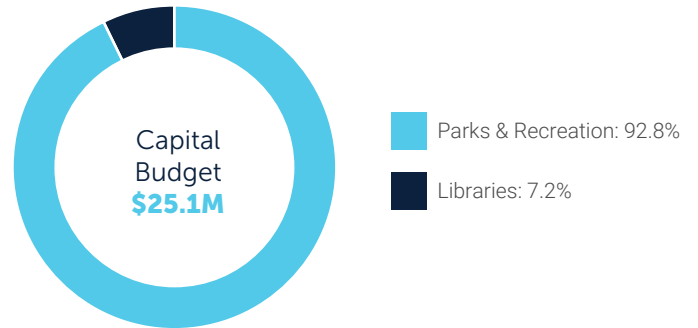
The \$2 million funding will be used for a multi-year expansion of the Gwinnett County Transit system that will bring new routes – including microtransit – to a wider area of the county.

\$3.7 MILLION supporting redevelopment of GWINNETT PLACE MALL

Gwinnett County purchased the Gwinnett Place Mall site in 2020 to transform it into a unique regional destination. Now, an inclusive, community-driven redevelopment process will ensure that the mall remains the focal point for cultural and economic activity in the area. Visit [ReclaimGwinnettPlaceMall.com](https://www.ReclaimGwinnettPlaceMall.com) to learn more.

\$250,000 to aid in planning for COMPREHENSIVE AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Culture & Recreation



Highlights

\$9.4 MILLION
for
TRAILS

There are currently 140 miles of County-owned/ maintained trails, including those within parks. An additional 39.5 miles of trails are in the design phase, and eight additional miles are under construction.

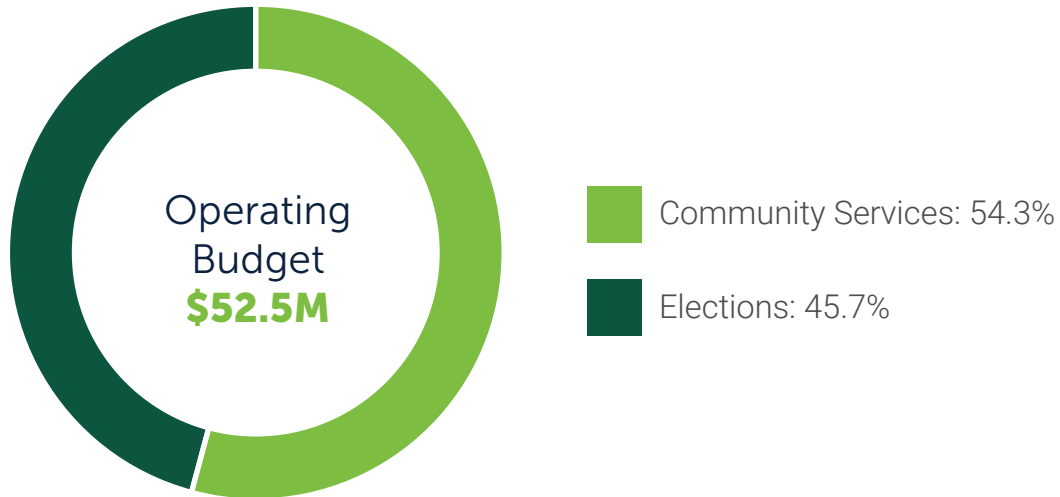
\$6.3 MILLION
for
TRAILS INFRASTRUCTURE
IN EASTERN GWINNETT

The Eastern Regional Infrastructure Project also includes five miles of new public greenway trails and two new trailheads, funded by SPLOST.

\$2.5 MILLION
to develop
DISCOVERY
AREA PARK

The Discovery Area was identified as a high priority for a community park. This project includes the master planning, design, and development of a Community Park for this underserved area.

Community Services



Highlights

\$150,000
to fight
FOOD INSECURITY

\$425,000
to cover the cost of
**RETURN POSTAGE
FOR ABSENTEE BALLOTS**

\$550,000
to support indigent
MEDICAL CARE
in the County

Gwinnett County recognizes the costs of medical care and the impact that has on low-income families. This funding will be provided to Gwinnett hospitals to assist with indigent medical care.

General Government



Administration & Support: 100%



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Highlights

\$117,000

for the

**GWINNETT
ENTREPRENEUR
CENTER**

The center will support local entrepreneurs as they develop their businesses.

Commissioners and partners from Georgia Gwinnett College cut the ribbon on the center December 15, 2021.

**\$36.9
MILLION**

for

**TECHNOLOGY &
INFORMATION SECURITY**

Funding is included in the 2022 budget for technology projects and information security operations to maintain, modernize, and secure County systems.

Gwinnett

COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Gwinnett Justice & Administration Center
75 Langley Drive | Lawrenceville, Georgia
GwinnettCounty.com

The County maintains several online resources to provide residents and businesses with detailed information about Gwinnett's financial operations.

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