

Rockdale County Board of Commissioners – Annual Retreat - Minutes
October 12, 2022 – October 14, 2022
Costley Mill Event Center
2599 Salem Church Road
Conyers, GA 30013

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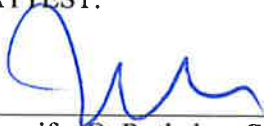
Approved this 25th Day of October 2022.

Rockdale County, Georgia
Board of Commissioners



Osborn Nesbitt, Sr., Chairman

ATTEST:



Jennifer O. Rutledge, County Clerk/
Director of Legislative Affairs



Sherri L. Washington, Commissioner Post I



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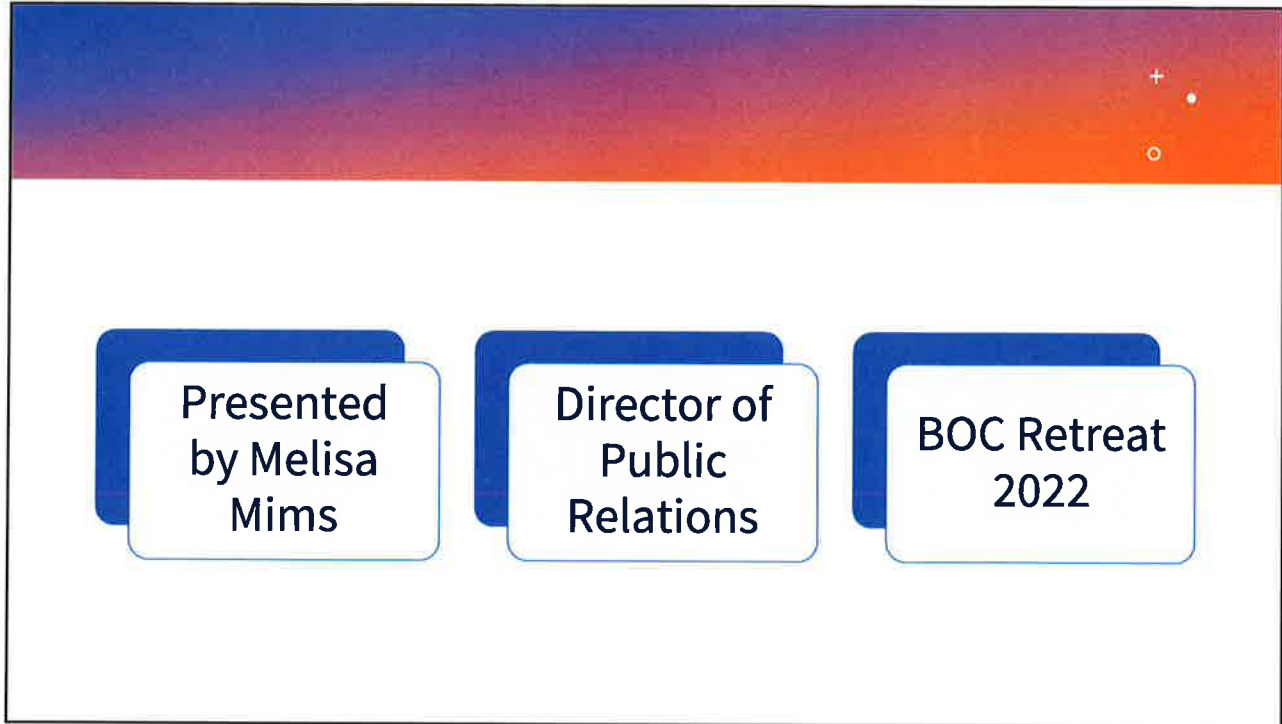
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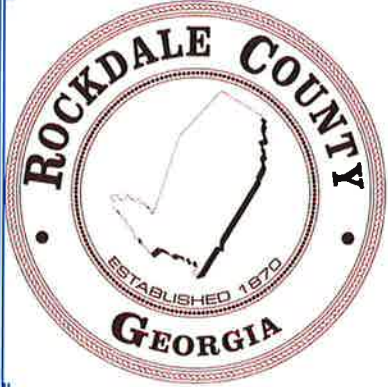


ROCKDALE COUNTY

Mission

To provide a range of public services to the citizens and visitors of Rockdale County in a proactive, focused and team-oriented way.

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CITIZENS GOVERNMENT ACADEMY

- Nine-week program designed to offer residents the opportunity to learn about their local government
- Provides exposure to government functions, services, activities, challenges and how they can become more involved.
- Participants learned about the relationships between Board of Commissioners, Elected Officials and governmental departments.

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CITIZENS GOVERNMENT ACADEMY

- Participants learned how government projects are implemented; how services are provided; how government projects support Board of Commissioner goals.
- Topics included the budget process, roles and functions of public safety, environmental stewardship measures, as well as additional responsibilities and functions of the Rockdale County government.
- Class were conducted by department representatives and provided both an informational and interactive learning approach.

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**REIMAGINE
ROCKDALE**

- Connect People
- Challenge people to learn
- Encourage people to get involved
- Ask for input



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SITUATION



- The need to educate the community about the way Rockdale County departments operate.
- This was once done in the form of Citizens Government Academy (CGA), offered to 20 community residents over a 9-week period.
- With the number of requests coming in to learn about Rockdale County Departments, the need has grown to reach a larger group.

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SOLUTIONS

- In place of CGA, it is being proposed that Informational Sessions are held with the directors in person and streaming to reach a larger audience.
- These information sessions will be held every month, one to two sessions in a two-hour period (6 p.m. – 8 p.m.), every 3rd Wednesday between February and April, every 2nd Wednesday from May to October. This would complete the first series with every department represented in the information sessions.
- Replacement dates include: every 4th Wednesday from February to April, May 17th, June 7th, July 19th, August 2nd, September 21st, and Oct. 4th ...

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Advantages of Info Sessions

- More citizens will be served and trained on the operations and processes of County Departments.
- Citizens are requesting this information. So, in theory, it will be well attended.
- Sessions can be viewed at any time via social media.

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- Only reaching a limited number of participants, leaving others to still be uneducated on County processes and operations.
- Could cause further issues within the community of not feeling heard.

CGA Areas of Opportunity

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- Inviting those interested in CGA to informational sessions.
- Have previous CGA members attend informational sessions to prep them as community volunteers.
- Role of CGA

Additional things to consider

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DETAILS

- Location: Rockdale Auditorium, 903 Main Street, Conyers, GA 30012
- Time: 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.
- Dates:
 - Feb. 15th
 - Mar. 15th
 - April 19th
 - May 10th
 - June 14th
 - July 12th
 - Aug. 9th
 - Sept. 13th
 - Oct. 11th



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DETAILS CONTINUED



• Alternative Dates:

- Feb. 22nd
- Mar. 22nd
- April 26th
- May 17th
- June 7th
- July 19th
- Aug. 2nd
- Sept. 21st
- Oct. 4th

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Viewing Methods

Livestream:







- Rockdale County Website at rockdalecountyga.gov
- Official Rockdale County Facebook Page, facebook.com/RockdaleGov
- Rockdale County YouTube Channel, youtube.com/rockdale23

Other viewing methods following the sessions:

- Comcast Channel 23
- Rockdale County Vimeo, vimeo.com/rockdalegov
- All platforms where it was livestreamed

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Promotion Methods

<p>Press release to media partners announce info sessions</p> 	<p>Social media posts to Facebook, Instagram, Twitter</p> 
<p>Graphic distribution to PR email lists</p> 	<p>Graphic placed on Rockdale 23</p> 
<p>Promotional Video in the form of Department Spotlight on Rockdale 23</p> 	<p>Requesting for Community Partners to display flyer at their buildings</p> 

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Department Spotlight

PR will promote the Department Spotlight a month before each session to provide more insight into the department presenting.



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Action Steps

- PR currently crafting new agendas for the Informational Sessions.
- Working with Parks and Recreation to reserve auditorium dates.
- Developing a system to receive community questions prior to the sessions to guide discussion.



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Questions and Answers

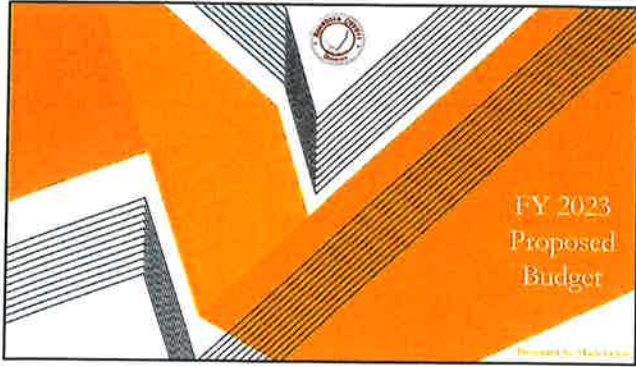


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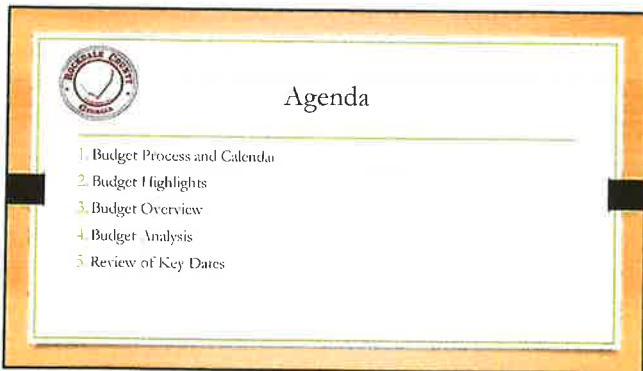




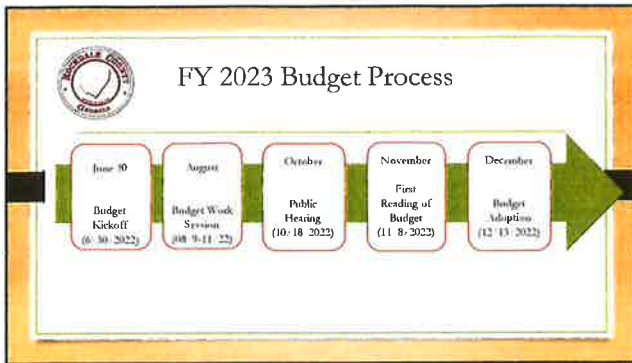
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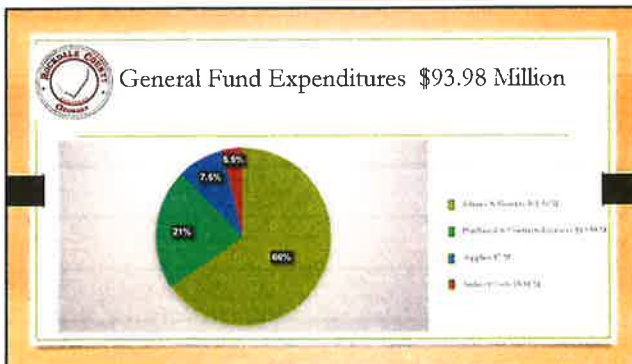


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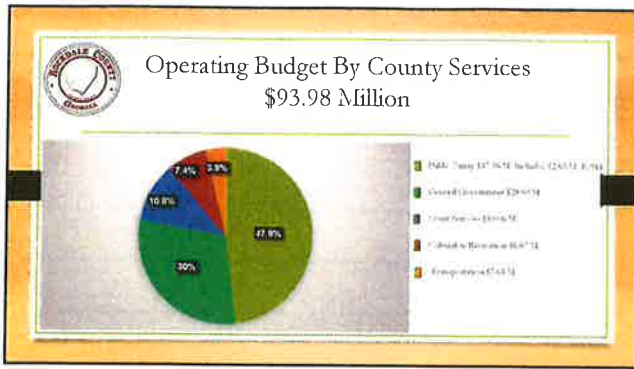
Budget Highlights

- Funding for new Court House approved ✓
- E-911 move to new building 🏠
- More funding provided to Public Safety 🚔
- A new division (Community Improvement Team) created to keep Rockdale County clean 🌿

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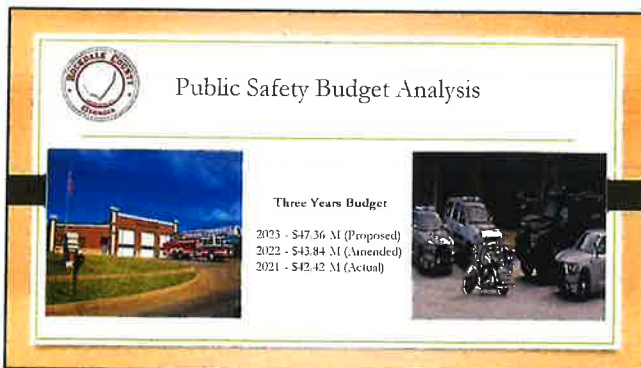
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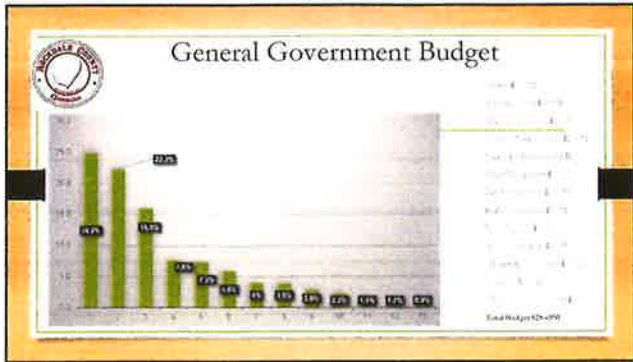
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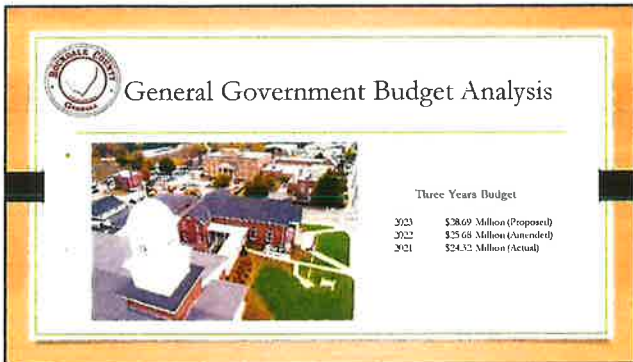
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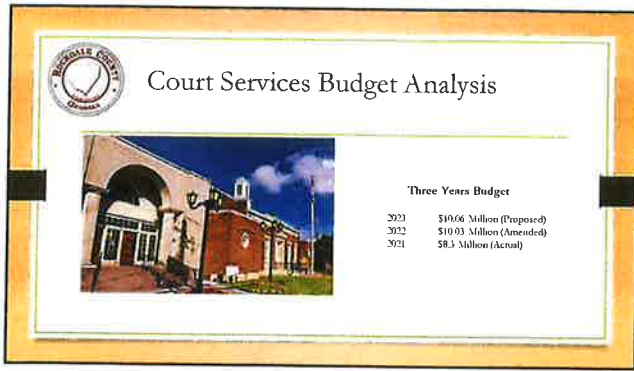
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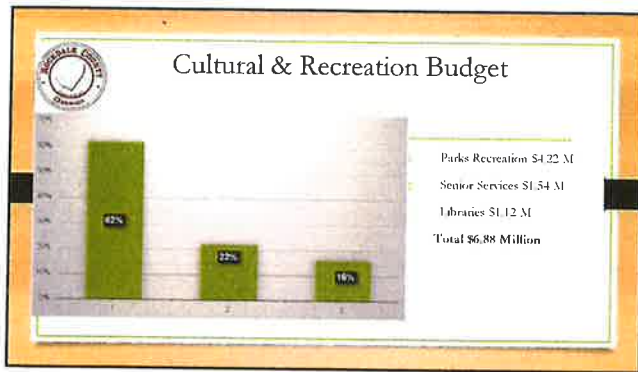
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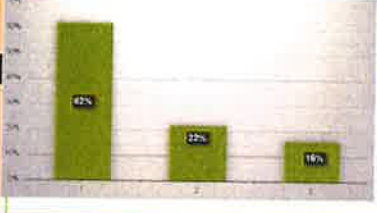
Three Years Budget

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2022	\$10.03 Million (Amended)
2021	\$8.3 Million (Actual)

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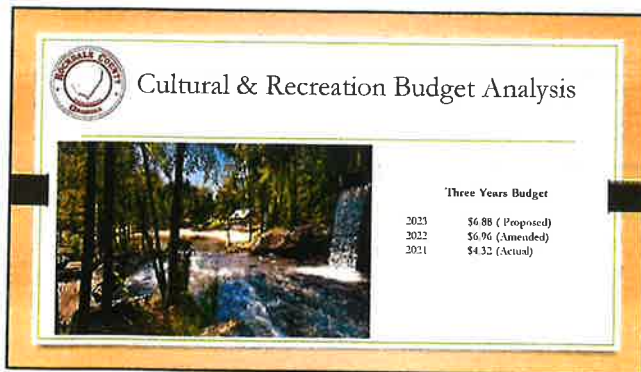


Cultural & Recreation Budget




Parks Recreation \$4.22 M
 Senior Services \$1.54 M
 Libraries \$1.12 M
 Total \$6.88 Million

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Cultural & Recreation Budget Analysis



Three Years Budget

2023	\$6.88 (Proposed)
2022	\$6.96 (Amended)
2021	\$4.32 (Actual)

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Transportation Budget

Three Years Budget

2023	\$5.63 M (Proposed)
2022	\$5.74 M (Amended)
2021	\$2.32 M (Actual)

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General Fund - Fund Balance

	FY 19	FY20	FY 21	FY22 (Proposed)
Budget	\$70.94 M	\$77.43 M	\$81.4 M	\$90.24 M
Expenditures	\$70.94 M	\$74.74 M	\$79.08 M	\$90.24M
Revenues	\$38.78 M	\$78.85 M	\$79.04 M	\$90.24M
Fund Balance	\$31.17 M	\$35.28 M	\$35.24 M	\$35.24 M
Millage Rate	20.19	18.016	16.69	18.69

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Calendar of Upcoming Events


- October**
 - Public Hearing - 10/18
- November**
 - First Reading of Appropriations Ordinance - 11/8
- December**
 - Second Reading and Adoption of Appropriations Ordinance - 12/13

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Rockdale County
Funding Options
Overview



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Transportation Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (T-SPLOST)

1. A Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) is a sales tax used to fund capital outlay projects proposed by the county government and municipal governments. A single county TSPLOST is a sales tax where the projects consist of transportation purposes only.
2. To qualify to hold a TSPLOST referendum, a county must already impose a regular SPLOST.
3. State law imposes a 2% cap on local sales taxes. Most counties have several different 1% sales taxes (SPLOST, LOST, MARTA, etc.) Single county TSPLOST is in addition to these taxes. This tax will NOT affect any other local sales and use tax and is exempted from the 2% cap (See [O.C.G.A. 48-8-6\(a\)](#)).

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T-SPLOST Continued

4. Single County TSPLOST is now allowed to be collected for the full amount of time (five years), as opposed to ending once the estimated amount is collected. In order to collect for the maximum amount of time, an intergovernmental agreement (IGA) would have to be in place between the county and cities and all proceeds would be spent according to the IGA - on transportation purposes.

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Community Improvement Districts (CID)

1. CIDs can focus on and provide for infrastructure planning and management, along with a community planning aspect. For instance, along with managing the concept, design, and preliminary engineering for capital-intensive projects like road building or improvements, pedestrian bridge building, traffic signalization, and sidewalk and trail construction, CIDs can also offer services that enhance the community. The Downtown Atlanta CIDs, for example, are helping create a dynamic city plaza; infusing the neighborhood with light, art, and cultural programming; addressing homelessness; and planting 1.5 million daffodils to represent the children who died during the Holocaust.
2. CIDs are limited to seven functions: Street and roads, parks and rec, stormwater and sewer, water supply, public transportation, and terminal dock and parking facilities. They have a millage limitation of 25 mils, (2.5%), but the enabling acts usually set that limit far lower, usually at 5

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CIDs Continued

3. CIDs have to be created by or under a local law, which either creates them directly or allows their creation at the local level. Their governance, including whether they are governed by an appointed board or by the local governing authority (county commission), and who appoints the members, is set by the legislature. If the governing authority is not in charge must have a representative on the board.
4. CIDs can also use local, State, and national funding, such as special-purpose local-option sales tax and State grants. For example, while the Cumberland CID pays for preliminary engineering and design, it uses Federal, State, or county construction money to complete projects. This has allowed it to leverage more than \$100 million into an estimated \$500 million in area improvements—including enhancing road and transit infrastructure, beautifying streetscapes, creating bicycle and walking trails, and implementing alternative commuter programs and services.
5. Each CID is created for six years and at the end of that period property owners can vote to continue it for another six years.

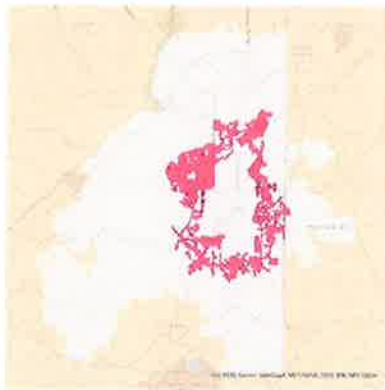
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Special Service District (SSD)

1. An SSD is a targeted tax district created for a limited, special purpose as a way to provide economic support or economic development in a specific area. SSDs can serve any county purpose, including providing the services that CIDs can provide as well as the rest of the supplementary powers outlined in Article 9, such as public health and hospitals, waste collection, public housing, etc. They can be created by ordinance and have no taxing limitation. They are governed by the governing authority. They may be designed as commercial-only, commercial plus multifamily (BeltLine SSD), or all properties. Their design is up to the county.

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Atlanta Beltline Special Service District



- Commercial and multi-family
- Only 2 mils
- \$100 million bond issued December 2021

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Tax Allocation District (TAD)

1. TADs are designated areas where revenue collected from property taxes is used for specified improvements in that District. TADs are usually areas that are not fully developed or need revitalizing, but funding isn't available to make the improvements. All TADs must be approved by the local government, and the government must approve the proposed improvements for the District. Once a TAD is created, the city can sell bonds to generate revenue to fund the development in the district. The increased value in property taxes as a result of the new development is used to help pay off the bonds.

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Thank you!
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**Municipal Bonds and
Financial Tools**

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Presentation to BOC
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The Importance of Understanding Your Project

What do you want and what are you willing to do to accomplish your goals?

- What is the purpose of the project?
- How will it impact our community?
- What resources are required from our community or available to our community to facilitate the completion of any project?



The Importance of Understanding Your Project

Typical Projects Funded by Municipalities:

- Capital improvement Projects (community centers, public safety facilities, and parks and greenspace initiatives);
- Infrastructure Development (water, sewer, streets and utilities); and,
- Focused Sector Projects (multifamily housing, urban renewal projects, and economic development)



The Importance of Understanding Your Project

Ways Municipalities Fund Projects

Cash ("Pay-As-You-Go")

- Small and recurring capital projects
- Projects build slowly over time
- Future Council flexibility
- Opportunity cost of funds
- Easiest source of money

Bond Financing

- Large capital expenditures
- Acquisition Projects
- Future revenues from Project available for debt service
- Interest and financing costs
- Staff resources required for financing

Federal and State Grants or Loans

- "Free" money with strings
- May require oversight or through review
- Application process can be drawn-out and competitive
- Timing of funds can be uncertain

Introduction to the Use of Municipal Bonds

What Is a Municipal Bond?

- A Promise of a Borrower (Issuer) to repay a Lender (Bondholder);
- Issuer receives upfront cash payment and owes annual payments at a fixed interest rate;
- Bondholder receives future repayment with interest.

Personal Example – Home Mortgage

- Homeowner gets upfront cash from Bank to buy home; and
- Bank gets homeowner's promise to make payments with interest.

Government Bond Issuers

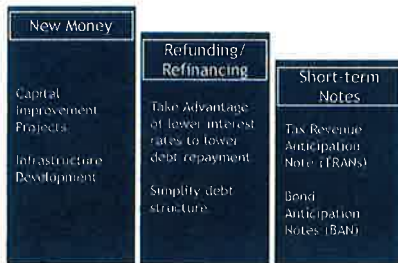


Corporate Bond Issuers



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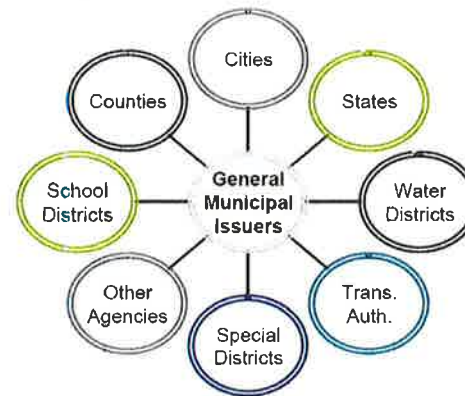
Basic Reasons for Issuing Municipal Bonds?



- Project Funding
- Restructuring/ Refinancing Existing Debt
 - Some bonds can be redeemed prior to maturity (called)
 - If current market interest rates are lower now than when the bond was issued, it may make financial sense to issue new bonds at the lower interest rate to fund the outstanding bonds.
- Working capital or Cash Flow Management (short-term notes)

Introduction to the Use of Municipal Bonds

Who Issues Tax-Exempt Bonds?



Introduction to the Use of Municipal Bonds

Tax -Exempt Nature of Municipal Bonds

- Most municipal bonds are tax-exempt;
- Bondholders do not pay State or Federal income tax on interest earnings from municipal bond;
- Investors are willing to purchase bonds at lower interest rate;
- IRS reprieve to help local governments fund projects and compete in the capital market for investors against corporate bond issuers; and,
- Government gives up income tax revenues from bondholders on the interest of the bond.



Introduction to the Use of Municipal Bonds

Basic Rule on Governmental bonds

- ▶ A public body's bonds will be tax-exempt, **governmental purpose** bonds UNLESS:
 - There is too much private use; and,
 - There is too much private payment or private security.
- ▶ The opposite of a governmental purpose is designated as "**Private Activity**". In this case additional rules and restrictions must be considered including:
 - Potential for a "Private Loan" Test;
 - Compliance with other tax rules; and
 - Interest on Private Activity Bonds are not federally tax-exempt unless there is an exemption. Exemptions are hard to find.



Introduction to the Use of Municipal Bonds

Bond Structures and State Law Constraints

- Bonds are secured by different revenue sources;
- Bonds are also used for different purposes and have different end users; and,
- Some bond structures require voter approval, different tax treatment and are subject to borrowing constraints as outlined by Federal and State law.

Bonds Repaid with Dedicated Taxes

- General Obligation Bonds
- Sales Tax Revenue
- Special Tax Assessment (Redevelopment)
- Tax Allocation (Community Improvement Districts)

Bonds Repaid From General Fund

- Lease Revenue Bonds
- Certificates of Participation (COPS) Assessment
- Contract Revenue Bonds
- Intergovernmental Agreements

Special Revenue Fund Bonds

- Enterprise Revenue
- Water/Sewer
- Airports
- Parking
- Solid Waste
- Housing
- Golf Courses
- Stadiums

Special Tax District

A Special Tax District is a limited purpose district established by a county or city to finance/operate specific projects or services of benefit to the residents within the district which may not be offered by the County or municipality of which it is apart. i.e., roads, streetlights, water treatment or distribution.

Creation

- Special Tax Districts are formed by County government at the request of the District's residence.
- Special districts may be created by general law or by adoption of an ordinance or resolution of the commissioners.

Funding

- The governing board of the district can impose an ad valorem tax on the value of the real property within the district.
- The tax is based on the County millage rate, the district's annual budget and the assessed value of each property within the district.

Oversight/Governance

- Each district is governed by a board of directors, commissioners or board of supervisors. These boards may be appointed or elected.

Tax Allocation District

A Tax Allocation District (“TAD”), also known as tax increment financing is a unit of government with power to provide governmental services and facilities. A TAD provides a mechanism of funding a wide range of development projects i.e., to revitalize blighted or underutilized areas. County participation in a TAD requires voter referendum.

Creation

- A member of the General Assembly must introduce local legislation that authorizes the use of the Georgia Redevelopment Powers Law.
- After local legislation passes, then voters must hold a special referendum for approval.
- A local redevelopment agency is created by resolution of the City or County or both in the case of a multi-jurisdictional TAD boundary.

Funding

- The TAD has authority to sell bonds to finance infrastructure. The bonds are secured by tax allocation increment which is the increase in the property tax revenues resulting from redevelopment activities.
- The taxable value of property increases due to the public improvements within the TAD. The County collects the increased revenue to a special fund to repay the indebtedness of the TAD used to finance the improvements. TAD revenues set aside may not cumulatively exceed 10% of the local tax base.

Oversight/ Governance

- TADs may be administered by a local government, district development association, housing authority, or redevelopment agency.

Community Improvement District

A community Improvement District (“CID”) is a unit of government with power to provide governmental services and facilities. A CID may incur debt without a voter referendum to finance facilities. The debt of a community improvement district is not an obligation of the State or any city or county but is supported by the assessment power of the community improvement district.

Creation

- Must be enacted through local law by the General Assembly
- Resolution adopted by the County and/or governing authority and consent of certain landowners
- Majority of real property owners (constituting at least 75% by value of all real property subject to assessment within the CID) subject to assessment within the CID must give written consent of the CID.

Funding

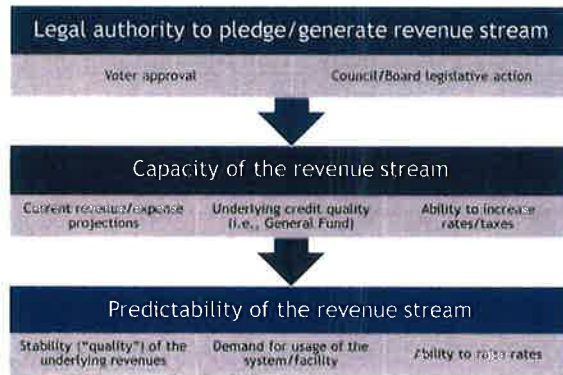
- In order to provide funds to pay for facilities or services, or to repay the debt of the CID, the administrative body can assess fees, taxes, and assessments on commercial or industrial property within the district.
- Residential, agricultural, and personal property and intangibles, are annual tax, fee, or assessment generally is limited based on the assessed value of the property within the district.

Oversight/ Governance

- An administrative board is created for each CID
- The governing body of the County for which the CID is located must be represented by at least one seat on the board.

Introduction to the Use of Municipal Bonds

Assessing the "Finance Ability" of the Project



Bond Finance Synopsis

- What is the purpose of the County?
- What are the resources and legal constraints of the County?
- How can we utilize this tool to impact our community?



Bond Finance Synopsis

▶ Who Decides What Bonds a County Can Issue?

A County can only issue bonds that State law allows it to issue. These laws apply as follows:

- Constitution
- County governing law.
- Revenue Bond Law
- PILOT Restriction Act

▶ Who Determines What Bonds are Designated as Tax-Exempt?

- Tax-exemption has nothing to do with Georgia Law;
- It is a Federal requirement that the bonds be legally issued under State Law.
- A bond issued by a County does not automatically mean it is tax-exempt under federal law. Additional exemptions and requirements must be considered.

▶ Who Determines What Bonds are Creditworthy?

- A bond induced or issued by a Georgia County does not automatically mean it is creditworthy or able to be funded.

Final Thoughts

- The governing body must have a clear understanding of its purpose and role in the process;
- The need for the governing jurisdiction and the County to be in sync;
- Successful economic development is a coordinated effort involving all stakeholders; and,
- Engage an experienced team of professionals to work through these complex issues

ROCKDALE COUNTY GRANTS PACK

(Professionalism, Accountability, Customer Service, Knowledgeable)

Grants Uniformed Management Systems Report

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Rockdale County Grants

This presentation will outline all grants applied for categorized as follows:

- (a) all grants awarded
- (b) all applications submitted & pending
- (c) all applications that were denied

The time period of this presentation is from September 2021 through September 2022

Agenda

Awarded Grants

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Submitted & Pending Applications

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Grant Award Total by Department

County Department	Amount Awarded	Match	# of Active Grants (awarded in last 12 months)
Judicial Circuit	\$ 5,259,081.00	\$ 97,791.40	21
Sheriff's Office	\$ 2,150,321.60	\$ 75,000.00	9
Senior Services	\$ 1,066,119.00	\$ 41,070.00	7
Transportation	\$ 1,026,037.00	N/A	1
Emergency Management Agency	\$ 184,365.00	N/A	3
Rockdale Water Resources	\$ 158,000.00	N/A	2
Parks and Recreation	\$ 157,400.00	\$ 128,000.00	5
District Attorney's Office	\$ 71,000.00	\$ 21,000.00	4
Talent Management	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	1
	\$10,107,323.60	\$397,861.40	

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County Department	Grantor	Title	Purpose Description, Activities & Services	Date Awarded	Amount Awarded	Match
Sheriff's Office	US Department of Justice/BJA	RCSSO Behavior Health Co-Responder Team	To improve public health & safety for individuals with co-occurring mental health/substance use disorders	SEPT.2022	\$ 540,000.00	\$ 40,000.00
District Attorney's Office	State of Georgia/CJCC	Youth Intervention, Enrichment and Learning by Design (YIELD)	To address delinquency prevention, violence reduction and mental health	SEPT.2022	\$ 50,000.00	N/A
Sheriff's Office	GA Governor's Office of Highway Safety	HEAT-Highway Enforcement of Aggressive Traffic	To educate the public & enforce laws related to impaired & aggressive driving	SEPT.2022	\$ 108,876.60	\$ 35,000.00
Sheriff's Office	US Department of Justice/BJA	Bullet Proof Vests	To obtain bullet/stab proof vests to protect law enforcement officers	SEPT.2022	\$ 12,980.00	N/A
Parks and Recreation	GA Department of Natural Resources(LWF)	DeCastro Trailhead Nature Center	To create DeCastro Trailhead Nature Center	SEPT.2022	\$ 125,000.00	\$ 125,000.00
District Attorney's Office	Georgia Council for the Arts	Youth Intervention, Enrichment and Learning by Design (YIELD)	To provide a Multi-disciplinary arts production of musical interpretation, spoken word and arts exhibit	SEPT.2022	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
District Attorney's Office	CJCC/Local Victim Assistance Programs	Victim Witness Assistance	To provide victim and witness compensation support	SEPT.2022	Based on fees collected	N/A
Judicial Circuit	Truancy Intervention Project Georgia	Truancy Intervention Project Georgia	To provide support to truant youth	SEPT.2022	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00

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County Department	Grantor	Title	Purpose Description, Activities & Services	Date Awarded	Amount Awarded	Match
Rockdale Water Resource	GA Department of Human Services	Water Bill Assistance	To provide water bill assistance for Rockdale water customers	SEPT.2022	\$ 79,000.00	N/A
Senior Services	Atlanta Regional Commission	Consolidated Appropriations Act/Home & Community Services	To provide Home Community Based Services (Delivered Meals, Personal Care, Homemaker	JULY 2022	\$ 474,874.00	\$ 35,601.00
Senior Services	Atlanta Regional Commission	Consolidated Appropriations Act/ARPA	To provide seniors services with home repair and support for seniors	JULY 2022	\$ 85,679.00	\$ 5,469.00
Parks and Recreation	Georgia Recreation and Park Association	Parks Summer Enrichment	To serve Parks & Rec summer camp for children	MAY 2022	\$ 21,900.00	N/A
District Attorney's Office	Hospital Authority of Rockdale County	District Attorney Summer Enrichment	To support mental health & fitness for youth	MAY 2022	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
Parks and Recreation	Hospital Authority of Rockdale County	Parks Summer Enrichment	To provide mental health services for children in Parks summer camp	MAY 2022	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Judicial Circuit	Criminal Justice Coordinating Council	Adult Felony Court	To provide Intensive-probation, judicially supervised Adult Felony treatment program	MAY 2022	\$ 265,816.00	\$ 36,248.00
Judicial Circuit	Criminal Justice Coordinating Council	Juvenile Resource Court	To provide Intensive-probation, judicially supervised J Resource treatment program	MAY 2022	\$ 74,044.00	\$ 10,097.00

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County Department	Grantor	Title	Purpose Description, Activities & Services	Date Awarded	Amount Awarded	Match
Judicial Circuit	Criminal Justice Coordinating Council	Juvenile Family Treatment Court	To provide Intensive-probation, judicially supervised J Family treatment program	MAY 2022	\$ 34,723.00	\$ 4,735.00
Judicial Circuit	Criminal Justice Coordinating Council	Juvenile Drug Court	To provide Intensive-probation, judicially supervised J Drug treatment program	MAY 2022	\$ 73,981.00	\$ 10,088.00
Judicial Circuit	Criminal Justice Coordinating Council	Adult DUI Court	To provide Intensive-probation, judicially supervised Adult DUI treatment program	MAY 2022	\$ 88,585.00	\$ 12,080.00
Judicial Circuit	Criminal Justice Coordinating Council	Adult Resource Court	To provide Intensive-probation, judicially supervised Adult Resource treatment program	MAY 2022	\$ 143,317.00	\$ 19,543.00
Judicial Circuit	GA Division of Family & Children Services	RESHAPE	To provide Rockdale Encouraging Student Health, Abstinence, and Parental Engagement	MAY 2022	\$ 100,000.00	N/A
Talent Management	Anthem Grant	Employee Wellness	To provide wellness support to Rockdale County employees	FEB.2022	\$ 35,000.00	N/A
Judicial Circuit	State of Georgia/American Rescue Plan Act	Backlogged Felony	To address back-logged felony and serious felony cases	JAN.2022	\$ 2,000,000.00	N/A
Judicial Circuit	CJCC/GDCA/American Rescue Plan Act	Emergency Housing	To provide 30-90 Day emergency housing to support people in recovery	JAN.2022	\$ 101,136.00	N/A

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County Department	Grantor	Title	Purpose Description, Activities & Services	Date Awarded	Amount Awarded	Match
Judicial Circuit	CJCC/GDCA/American Rescue Plan Act	Transistional Housing	To provide long term housing and supports to help people in recovery	JAN.2022	\$ 438,859.00	N/A
Judicial Circuit	CJCC/GDCA/American Rescue Plan Act	Management System	To provide administrative services for housing grant	JAN.2022	\$ 1,500.00	N/A
Judicial Circuit	Criminal Justice Coordinating Council	Naloxone Statewide Initiative	To provide Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse prevention and training for 1st Responders	JAN.2022	\$ 19,500.00	N/A
Parks and Recreation	Norma and Malcolm Baker Recreation Program	Lets All Swim	To provide recreation support for special needs individuals in swimming	JAN.2022	\$ 5,000.00	N/A
Emergency Management Agency	GEMA/FEMA	EPMG	To address emergency situations in the county	DEC.2021	\$ 25,565.00	N/A
Parks and Recreation	Hospital Authority of Rockdale County	Lets All Swim	To provide recreation support for special needs individuals in swimming	DEC.2021	\$ 2,500.00	N/A
Senior Services	Hospital Authority of Rockdale County	Meals for Seniors	To provide liquid meals for seniors	DEC.2021	\$ 7,000.00	N/A
Judicial Circuit	Hospital Authority of Rockdale County	Medical Health Supports	To provide mental health and wellness support to court participants	DEC.2021	\$ 20,000.00	N/A

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County Department	Grantor	Title	Purpose Description, Activities & Services	Date Awarded	Amount Awarded	Match
Rockdale Water Resource	GA Department of Human Services	Water Bill Assistance	To provide water bill assistance for Rockdale water customers	DEC.2021	\$ 79,000.00	N/A
Judicial Circuit	GA Division of Family & Children Services	RESHAPE	To provide Rockdale Encouraging Student Health, Abstinence, and Parental Engagement	NOV.2021	\$ 100,000.00	N/A
Sheriff's Office	Georgia Office of Highway Safety	HEAT-Highway Enforcement of Aggressive Traffic	To educate the public & enforce laws related to impaired & aggressive driving	NOV.2021	\$ 132,000.00	N/A
Emergency Management Agency	ACCG	Risk Management Grant	To install 6 AEDS and 6 First Aid Kits around the county	NOV.2021	\$ 9,800.00	N/A
Emergency Management Agency	FEMA	Thermo Kiosks	To mitigate the spread of COVID	NOV.2021	\$ 149,000.00	N/A
Senior Services	Atlanta Regional Commission	Consolidated Appropriations Act/New Freedom Transportation	To implement the Transportation Voucher Grant program for seniors, the disabled and veterans	NOV.2021	\$ 55,074.00	N/A
Judicial Circuit	Dept. of Justice/OVW	Family Court & Compliance Implementation Initiative	To improve responses to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking	OCT. 2021	\$ 500,000.00	N/A
Judicial Circuit	Dept. of Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities	Staff Diversion Project	To address public health within the county with emphasis on mental health by activating health equity, create interlocks, and collaborate practices	OCT. 2021	\$ 150,000.00	N/A

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County Department	Grantor	Title	Purpose Description, Activities & Services	Date Awarded	Amount Awarded	Match
Judicial Circuit	Criminal Justice Coordinating Council	Enhancement and Innovation	To provide peer support services, employment training services, and pro-social activities	OCT. 2021	\$ 31,065.00	N/A
Judicial Circuit	Criminal Justice Coordinating Council	Law Enforcement and Surveillance	To provide enhanced surveillance to increase coordinator's ability to hold participants accountable	OCT. 2021	\$ 15,000.00	N/A
Judicial Circuit	Dept. of Justice/BJA	Adult Accountability Court Program	To provide Intensive-probation, judicially supervised treatment program	OCT. 2021	\$ 546,555.00	20%
Judicial Circuit	Dept. of Justice/OJP/JHMP	Holistic Approach to Public Safety and Public Health in Rockdale	To provide a collaborative approach to safety/health for those with mental illness & substance abuse	OCT. 2021	\$ 550,000.00	20%
Sheriff's Office	Dept. of Justice/OJP/JHMP	Rockdale Sheriff's Mental Health Collaboration Project	To expand Jail Mental Health and Infirmity services that target inmates with MI and CMISA	OCT. 2021	\$ 550,000.00	20%
Sheriff's Office	Dept. of Justice/BJA/COPS	Youth Engagement Program	To engage youth in athletics, academics, awareness, accountability, and advocacy activities	OCT. 2021	\$ 125,000.00	N/A
Sheriff's Office	Dept. of Justice/BJA/COPS	Law Enforcement Wellness Program Part 1	To provide mental health and wellness support that increases job satisfaction and decreases attrition rate	OCT. 2021	\$ 116,480.00	N/A
Sheriff's Office	Dept. of Justice/BJA/COPS	Law Enforcement Wellness Program Part 1	To provide mental health and wellness support that increases job satisfaction and decreases attrition rate	OCT. 2021	\$ 550,000.00	N/A

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County Department	Grantor	Title	Purpose Description, Activities & Services	Date Awarded	Amount Awarded	Match
Senior Services	Atlanta Regional Commission	Consolidated Appropriations Act/ARPA	To provide supportive services and basic needs for seniors effected by COVID	OCT. 2021	\$ 35,342.00	N/A
Sheriff's Office	Dept. of Justice/BJA/COPS	BYRNE JAG Program	To provide crime reduction support and technology	OCT. 2021	\$ 14,985.00	N/A
Transportation	Georgia Department of Transportation	Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant	Maintenance and repair of roads	OCT. 2021	\$ 1,026,037.00	30%
Senior Services	Meals on Wheels	Pet Bytes	To provide seniors support for their pets	OCT. 2021	\$ 500.00	N/A
Senior Services	Atlanta Regional Commission	Consolidated Appropriations Act/Home & Community Services	To provide Home Community Based Services (Delivered Meals, Personal Care, Homemaker	OCT. 2021	\$ 407,650.00	\$ 29,452.00

Total Awarded Amount	\$ 10,107,323.60	\$392,313
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Department	Grantor	Title	Purpose Description, Activities & Services	Date Submitted	Amount Requested	Match
Planning and Development	Georgia DCA/CHIP	CHIP-Housing Improvement	Homeowner Housing Renovations	1/31/2023	\$ 360,000.00	10%
RDOT	US Department of Transportation	FY2022 Reconnecting Communities	Special Projects-Side Walks	10/13/2022	\$ 250,000.00	20%
Senior Services	Mom & Dad Fund	Home Services	To provide home-based services and supports for seniors	10/11/2022	\$ 500.00	NONE
Judicial Circuit	State of Georgia/American Rescue Plan Act	Backlogged Felony Cases	To address back-logged felony and serious felony cases	10/6/2022	\$ 1,500,000.00	NONE
Rockdale Water Resources	GA Department of Human Services	Water Bill Assistance	To provide water bill assistance for Rockdale water customers	9/28/2022	\$ 79,000.00	NONE
RDOT	US Department of Transportation	FY2022 Safe Roads	Special Projects-Improving Road Ways	9/15/2022	\$ 250,000.00	20%
Parks and Recreation	Congressional Appropriations- Sen. Warnock	South River Water Trail Launch&Takeout	Construction of trail launch and takeout	8/1/2022	\$ 250,000.00	NONE
Sheriff's Office	Congressional Appropriations- Sen. Warnock	Mental Health Ward/Infirmery Buildout	Construction of RCSO facility mental health ward&infirmery	8/1/2022	\$ 950,000.00	NONE
Sheriff's Office	Congressional Appropriations- Sen. Ossoff	Command Emergency Response Vehicle	Purchase of emergency command vehicle/SWAT	8/1/2022	\$ 250,000.00	NONE
General Services	Congressional Appropriations- Sen. Warnock	Rockdale Judicial/Government Complex	Construction of Judicial/Administrative Complex	8/1/2022	\$ 71,750,000.00	NONE
General Services	Congressional Appropriations- Rep. Johnson	Rockdale Diversion Center	Construction of Rockdale County Recovery Center	8/1/2022	\$ 1,900,000.00	NONE

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Department	Grantor	Title	Purpose Description, Activities & Services	Date Submitted	Amount Requested	Match
Sheriff's Office	Congressional Appropriations- Rep. Johnson	Mental Health Ward/Infirmary Buildout	Facility expansion to include mental health ward and infirmary	8/1/2022	\$ 950,000.00	NONE
Parks and Recreation	Congressional Appropriations- Rep. Johnson	South River Water Trail Launch&Takeout	Construction of trail launch and takeout	8/1/2022	\$ 250,000.00	NONE
Judicial Circuit	US Department of Justice/OVW	Enhanced Training/Services to End Abuse in Later Life Program	To provide services that combat physical and financial abuse of elders	4/22/2022	\$ 400,000.00	NONE
General Services	Congressional Appropriations- Sen. Warnock	Rockdale Diversion Center	Construction of Rockdale County Recovery Center	4/1/2022	\$ 1,900,000.00	NONE
RDOT	US Department of Transportation	Roundabout Klondike/McDaniel Mill	Construction of Roundabout Klondike/McDaniel Mill	3/15/2022	\$ 1,435,566.60	20%
RDOT	US Department of Transportation	Sigman Road Phase III	Construction and repair of Sigman Road	3/15/2022	\$ 439,684.42	20%
RDOT	US Department of Transportation	Sigman Road Phase III Construction	Construction and repair of Sigman Road	3/15/2022	\$ 4,280,998.03	20%
Animal Control	Georgia Department of Agriculture	Sterilization Grant	Spayed and neutered program for cats/dogs in Rockdale County	2/15/2022	\$ 5,000.00	NONE
Fire and Rescue	FEMA/Assistance to Firefighters	Equipment Rockdale Fire and Rescue	Purchase of essential equipment for fire and rescue	2/15/2022	\$ 378,378.00	20%
Fire and Rescue	Fire Prevention & Safety Program	Fire Safety Tractor & Fire Prevention Training	Fire Safety Educational Tractor/Fire Prevention Training for Rockdale County and surrounding counties	2/10/2022	\$ 189,912.00	NONE

Total Pending Amount	\$ 87,769,039.05
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DENIED

Department	Grantor	Title	Purpose Description, Activities & Services	When Denied	Amount Requested
RDOT	US Department of Transportation/RAISE	Courtesy Parkway I20 Non-Access Overpass Project	Construction of non-access bridge to relieve congestion on Hwy 138	SEPT.2022	\$ 34,788,480.00
RDOT	US Department of Transportation/INFRA	Courtesy Parkway I20 Non-Access Overpass Project	Construction of non-access bridge to relieve congestion on Hwy 138	MAR.2022	\$ 17,919,565.00
Rockdale Water Resources	State of Georgia Fiscal Recovery Fund	1131 Norton Road	Culvert Replacement	FEB.2022	\$ 1,500,000.00
Rockdale Water Resources	State of Georgia Fiscal Recovery Fund	Lake Capri & Rockbridge	Culvert Replacement	FEB.2022	\$ 3,250,000.00
Rockdale Water Resources	State of Georgia Fiscal Recovery Fund	East Shore Drive	Culvert Replacement	FEB.2022	\$ 1,000,000.00
Rockdale Water Resources	State of Georgia Fiscal Recovery Fund	Wendwood Road	Culvert Replacement	FEB.2022	\$ 900,000.00
Emergency Management Agency	State of Georgia Humane Fund	Shelter Expansion	Shelter Expansion	NOV.2021	\$ 30,000.00
Parks and Recreation	GA Department of Natural Resources	Sims Connector	Sims Connector - Hwy 138 to Sims Elem. School	NOV.2021	\$ 125,000.00
Sheriff's Office	United States Department of Justice	COPS Program	Sheriff's Office - De-Escalation Training Program	NOV.2021	\$ 225,000.00