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# **Clayton County**

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Active Projects: December 2022



## **Clayton County Board of Commissioners**

Left to Right: Commissioner DeMont Davis (District 4), Commissioner Felicia Franklin (District 3), Chairman Jeffrey E. Turner, Commissioner Dr. Alieka Anderson (District 1), Vice-Chair/Commissioner Gail B. Hambrick (District 2)



Since 2004, the Clayton County **Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST)** has contributed millions of dollars for funding capital improvements within infrastructure, public safety, buildings, technology, and overall quality of life. For more information about our Progress for Pennies projects, access www.claytonsplost.com.

**What is SPLOST?** In 1985, the Georgia legislature gave counties the option to implement a one cent Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax, commonly known as SPLOST. The program requires voter approval and allows counties to raise funds for projects, which would otherwise be funded by property taxes.

#### Why SPLOST?

**Citizen Driven** - SPLOST gives residents a vote in the improvements they want in their community and county. Clayton County voters have approved a series of SPLOST programs since 2004.

**Lower Property Taxes** - SPLOST funds keep property taxes lower and allow tourists, renters, and non-residents to contribute to the betterment of Clayton County through a 1 cent sales tax.

**Capital Improvements** - SPLOST Funds are invested in projects that have long-term benefits and use for all Clayton County citizens, like roadways, bridges, and large-scale transportation improvements.

**Minimizes Debt** - SPLOST has minimized long-term debt in Clayton County and saved more than \$300 million in financing costs versus issuing bonds.

#### **Categories of Projects**

**Community Enhancement Projects** - Community-focused programs like public libraries and small business assistance programs continue to positively impact our citizens through economic growth opportunities and community education and resources.

**Public Safety Projects** - SPLOST funding builds new facilities to house, train, and transport public safety personnel and resources. Funding also purchases new equipment critical to the services that our public safety departments and personnel provide.

**Quality of Life & Leisure Projects** - Since 2004, SPLOST has contributed millions of dollars for parks and recreation projects in Clayton County including, new parks, renovations to existing parks, and preservation of greenspaces.

**Technology Projects** - Clayton County's technology projects and innovations increase productivity and efficiency and substantially improve how government services are operated and delivered. These technology advancements foster an environment of information sharing and facilitate the interaction between the government and the public.

**Transportation Projects** - The construction and maintenance of our transportation system are vital to our resident's quality of life and our attractiveness to industry and commerce. Our transportation projects create a comprehensive transportation system for Clayton County that includes smooth streets, enhanced lighting, safety improvements for cyclists, pedestrians, school routes, bridges, intersections, enhancements to sidewalks, walking trail connections, and streetscapes. The county uses SPLOST funds to leverage additional funding from the state and federal government, local governments, non-profit organizations, and community improvement districts. SPLOST Transportation projects support economic development in Clayton County and improve high-priority corridors.



### Library Improvements Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4

#### Update: (Ongoing)

The Clayton County Library System contributes to the community and its citizens by offering services that meet their informational, educational, and leisure interests. There are six libraries located in the County with 2,992 library programs and over 1/2 million books. The Clayton County Library System is a member of GALILEO, Georgia's virtual library of full-text articles, e-books, journals, educational videos, and more.

Improvements and renovations to the Library Headquarters on Battle Creek Road include roof repairs, updated lighting, and painting the building exterior. The Morrow and Riverdale branch renovations include repairs to the walls and skylights.





# Modernization of Service Vehicle Fleet Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4

#### Update: (Ongoing)

Clayton County utilizes more than 700 vehicles in support of public safety operations, including first responder vehicles. As the age (6+ years) and mileage (100,000+) of our first responder vehicles increased, so did annual repair costs. Public safety concerns increased as our fleet aged.

Joint funding was approved to use SPLOST and capital funds to replace two hundred twenty-seven aging public safety vehicles. Priority was given based on vehicle age and mileage. Of the vehicles slated for replacement across the Police Department, Sheriff's Office, and Fire/EMS Department, 210 are funded by SPLOST funding.





### Welcome to Clayton County Signage & County Borders Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4

Update: Central Services to post award recommendation for vendor on the agenda for first February Board of Commissioners Regular Business Meeting.

Welcome to Clayton County! Where the World Lands and Opportunities Take Off.

New welcome signs will be strategically placed at the North, South, East, and West entrances of the County. The welcome signs will showcase the County's new brand and image to welcome and engage our citizens and visitors when entering the County, including the airport area.





Update: Communications received requested equipment and furniture for current space. Remaining funding will be used to support equipment and furniture needs for new administration building studio space.

Under the Office of Communications, CCTV-23 is one of multiple communications channels used to provide educational, informative, and entertaining programming to citizens about the county's program, services, projects, plans, partnerships, and more.

The upgrade of equipment, lighting, set design, sound barriers, and the expansion of the studio location allows new educational segments and programming. These enhancements will strengthen the overall communication efforts of the county.



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### Small Business Incubator & Records Center District 1

#### Update: First scheduled bi-weekly meeting was held in early-November. Pending direction for next steps.

The Small Business Incubator will provide resources to introduce, connect, support, and expand new businesses in Clayton County to bolster the creation of jobs, investment, and economic development.

Combined with the County's Record's Center Building SPLOST initiative, this center provides public access to County records and historical information. The building will provide a Class-A office building space at the entrance to Clayton State University to attract and house multiple businesses and economic development activities. Reflecting the urban design at University Station, this development includes retail space for a coffee shop/bookstore and restaurant/cafe near Clayton State University.



# Fire Station Number 9 District 1

Update: Architect provided their design schedule with possible completion by the end of February. Site concept design was revised and submitted; pending Clayton County Water Authority stormwater revisions. Additional site geotechnical bores are pending.

The design of Fire Station Number 9 will emulate the best features and functional characteristics of state-ofthe-art fire stations. This model fosters an environment of development and growth. The new station will have enhanced safety measures to ensure the long-term health of our firefighters.

Features of the new fire station will include:

• Tactical Medical Team

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- Search and Rescue Team
- Community Emergency Response Team
- Community Treatment Unit
- Fitness/Wellness Program.



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# Modernization of Public Safety Fleet Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4

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# Parkland and Greenway Acquisition/Development Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4

#### Update: (Ongoing)

This project implements the recommendations from the 2008 Greenspace Master Plan. The development includes ball fields, a sports complex, park-managed woodlands, forestry areas, and trails.



# **Upcoming Projects**

Lakeview Events Center (VIP Amphitheatre): Project Design is 90% complete. Civil engineers are working on a solution to meet Clayton County Water Authority (CCWA) requirements. Design documents should be received by mid-February. Construction services invitation to bid is pending.

**County Records/Archive Phase II:** Project is 25% complete. Pending relocation of Voter's Registration. Building and Maintenance to schedule phased interior renovations at the bunker. Building and Maintenance has confirmed the scope of work to perform renovations at the 1117 Battlecreek location. Archives is complete with moving files and racks to free up space for the upcoming renovations. Planning, Design, and Construction (PDC) team is currently in progress generating a scope of work for an invitation to bid for renovation design at the 1117 Battlecreek Archives location per Community & Development's submittal requirements for construction.

**Board of Commissioners Administration Building:** Project design is 95% complete. Planning, Design, and Construction (PDC) team received revised schedule timeline; final design documents will be submitted by mid-July. Project is projected to be completed by August 2025. Rezoning to City Center Business District is on hold until proposed site relocation proposed option is confirmed. Chief Operations Officer is reviewing site concept documents. Site survey is pending.

**County Fueling Center:** Site erosion control measures and site clearing are complete. Site grading and underground stormwater & sewer mainline installation are in progress. Revised schedule timeline has been submitted; project has a projected completion date of October 2023.

**Fire Station Number 15:** – Architect provided their design schedule with possible completion by the end of February. Design revisions are in progress. Site survey is under review.

**Behavorial Health Crisis Center:** Pending invitation to bid from Central Services. Roofing contractors are pending.

**Rivers Edge Greenspace (Lake Spivey Trail Phase II)** –Project design is 100% complete. Invitation to bid timeline projects possible contract award approval in early-April. Additional design services are being provided through professional service agreement with Prime Engineering for phases III and IV

**Lake Spivey Multipurpose Field Site Enhancements** – This project is 98% complete. Site erosion control, grading, sod, and sprinkler installation are complete. Project is projected to be complete mid-February.

#### Fire Station No. 1 Replacement:

**Fire Station No. 2 Replacement:** Geotechnical report and environmental assessment report have been submitted and are pending review.

**Fire Station No. 13** – Project is in the design phase. Location/space will be shared with the new administration building.

# **Upcoming Projects** (continued)

Police Department Training Academy – Project has not been assigned to a project manager at this time.

**Rex Library** - Project has been assigned to a Planning Design and Construction project manager who is currently assessing the facility and user department for project needs.

Parkland and Greenway Acquisition/Development - Pending.

Enterprise Resource Planning: Project is being developed in house.

**Public Safety Water Rescue Training Center:** Geotechnical bores was performed and report was received on 8/5/22. Central Services Design services work authorization request was posted on 8/18/22. Expected possible Board of Commissioners approval by November 2022. Pending third evaluation interview with design teams.

**Annex 3 window sealing:** Bids for window restoration general contractor were received. Planning, Design, and Construction team are revising scope of work to repost invitation to bid.

**Annex 3 door replacement:** Invitation to bid storefront door installation site visit occurred on 10/18/22 and is now pending bids to be received.

**Shelnut building renovation:** Project is 40% complete. Plumbing installation is complete. Electrical services and interior lights installation are pending. Painting contractor invitation to bid to open late- January. Design revisions are pending.

**Reynold nature preserve facility renovations:** Deck restoration is 75% complete. Jewell's Pressure washing is currently in progress with the deck restoration. Garland Company is complete with the metal roof installation on the nature center. Casey Tree Experts is complete with opening up the tree canopy around the nature center. Invitation to bid for nature center restroom renovations received only one bid that exceed the budgeted amount. Invitation to bid for renovations for the exterior bathrooms received. Pending Planning, Design, and Construction (PDC) team review to determine next action.

NW branch library site enhancements: Project is 100% complete. Vendor references award is pending.

**Sonna Singleton Gregory Senior Center Site Enhancements** – Hannan Construction received Board of Commissioners award approval. Central Services to finalize contract and notice to proceed. Project is projected to start mid-February.

Comprehensive Justice Management & Informational System - Project is 100 % complete.

**Rex Park Facility Upgrades** – Planning, Design, and Construction team is pending presentation meeting schedule with Parks and Recreation Department to propose options for site design master planning.

# **Upcoming Projects** (continued)

**Morrow Lake City Facility Upgrades** - Planning, Design, and Construction team is pending presentation meeting schedule with Parks and Recreation Department to propose options for site design master planning.

**Virginia Stephens House Structural Restoration** - Facility assessment is complete. Scope of work and invitation to bid are pending. Pending proposal from Delta Plumbing to resolve septic tank issue.

**Fleet Maintenance Expansion** – Planning, Design, and Construction (PDC) project manager performed facility assessment and has generated scope of work.

Sector 4 Police Precinct – Project is still in the design phase.

Mental Health Infrastructure – Scope of work is pending. Project is in the design phase.

### **Brown Road Bridge Replacement - District 3**

Update: Authorization for the right-of-way phase is complete.

This project involves the replacement of the Brown Road Bridge over Swamp Creek.



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#### **Aviation Boulevard/Charles W. Grant Parkway - District 2**

Update: The beams are installed for the roadway bridge on the west side of the railroad line. Both bridges are 60%, complete with anticipated completion by early 2022. Construction on the final bridge road is anticipated to begin in mid-2022.

The proposed 4-lane facility widens and grades C.W. Grant Parkway under the Norfolk Southern Railroad and Old Dixie Highway. Also proposed is the widening and relocation of Conley Road and Old Dixie Road. The total length of the project is 1.30 miles.



Design Firm: Georgia Department of Transportation



Construction Firm: C. W. Matthews Contracting Co., Inc.



Project Completion: Spring 2023



### Widening and Reconstruction of Battle Creek Road - District 4

#### Update: The removal and disposal of stumps, roots, buried logs, and other debris are 80% complete. As clearing continues, erosion control measures are being installed.

This project consists of the widening and reconstruction of Battle Creek Road (Crescent 1342) from Valley Hill Road to Southlake Parkway for approximately 2.11 miles. This project will widen Battle Creek Road from the existing two-lane facility to four lanes with a 20-foot wide raised median and urban shoulders consisting of curb and gutter, two-foot wide grass strip, and five-foot wide sidewalks.



Design Firm: Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc.



Construction Firm: C. W. Matthews Contracting Co., Inc.



Project Completion: To Be Determined

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### Valley Hill Road Bridge Replacement - District 4

Update: All beams for the first phase of the project are in place. The contractor is placing drainage for the roadway widening.

This project involves the replacement of the Valley Hill Road Bridge over Flint River.





#### Widening and Reconstruction of Battle Creek Rd/Mt. Zion Blvd. District 4

#### Update: As clearing continues east to Spring Place, erosion control measures are being installed.

This project includes the widening of Battle Creek Road and Mt. Zion Boulevard starting at Southlake Parkway and continuing to the Somerton Drive intersection. The project widens Battle Creek Road and Mt. Zion Boulevard from the existing two-lane facility to four lanes with a 20-foot wide raised median and urban shoulders including curb and gutter, a 2-foot-wide grass strip, and 5-foot-wide sidewalks. This project is in conjunction with the widening and reconstruction of the Battle Creek Road project.





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### **Progress for Pennies**

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