



# LINCOLN COUNTY

## Budget at a glance

The FY2021-2022 budget for Lincoln County, NC aims to meet the needs of a growing county and advance the goals and priorities of the Board of County Commissioners. It provides the county with the tools necessary to offset future debt and be fiscally responsible with taxpayer dollars while also addressing both capital and operational necessities. To review the full budget document, please visit our budget information page at [www.lincolncounty.org](http://www.lincolncounty.org)

**FY 2022**

### Budget Breakdown

For every \$ dollar collected in taxes the following is spent on these areas:



The remaining 2.5¢ is attributed to transfers to other funds.

### Budget Priorities

#### Top 3

#### Economic Development

Industrial/Business recruitment and job growth are essential components of bolstering the tax base and developing the local economy. Enhancement of the existing portfolio as well as identification of potential expansion adjacent to existing business parks such as Denver's Airlie Business Park is a focus in 2021-2022.

#### Emergency Services

A healthier and safer community equates to an improved overall quality of life. The services offered through the Sheriff's Office, 911 Communications, EMS, Fire Marshal, and Emergency Management are paramount to the county's well-being. Investment in new equipment and facility upgrades are included.

#### Education

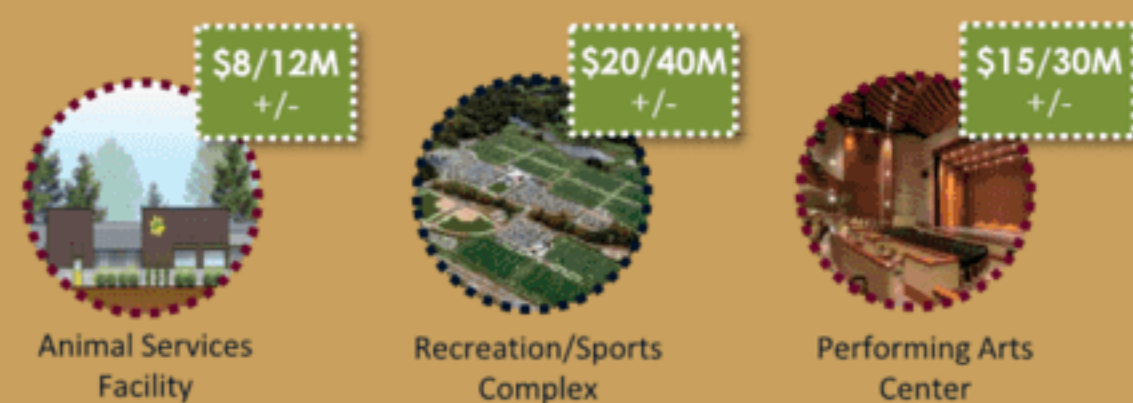
Educational advancement is an integral part of workforce development, crime reduction, and contributes to a community's quality of life. Strategic funding for LC Schools includes technology and improvements to school buildings. Collaborative partnerships with Gaston College geared toward career and technical education is also an emphasis.

### Capital Projects

#### In Progress



#### Upcoming / Under Consideration for 5 Year Plan

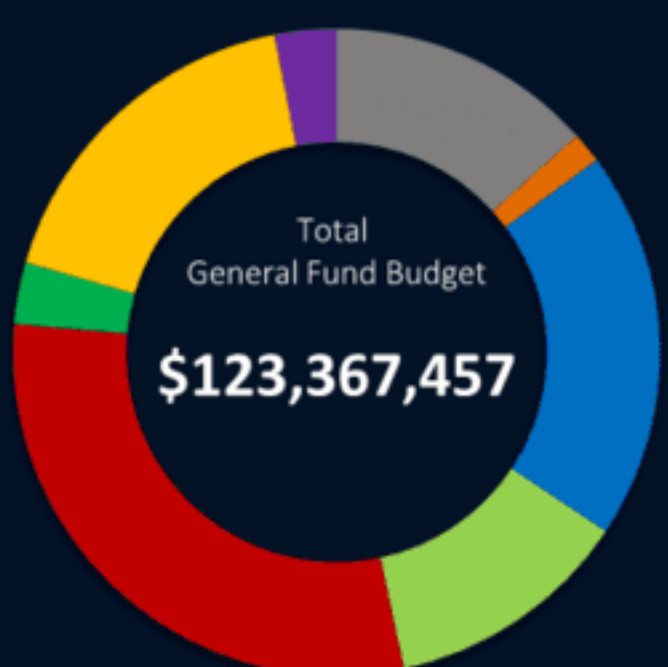


### Improving Services

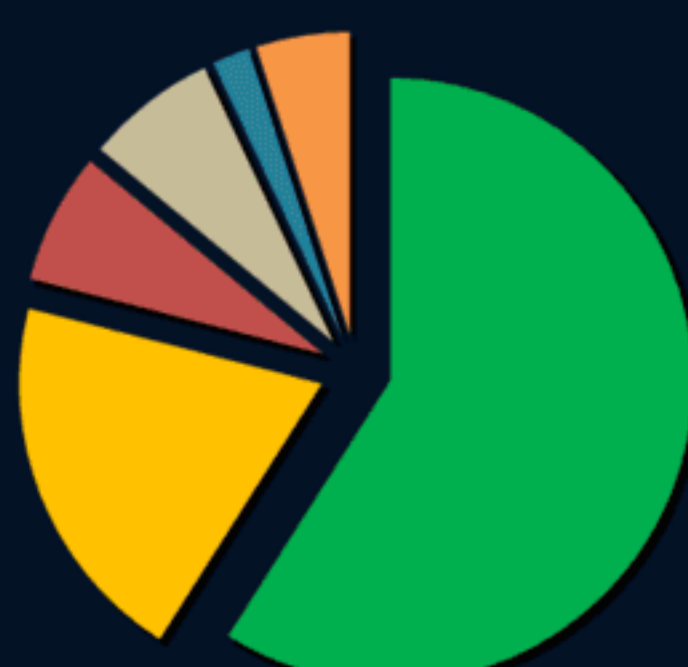
### By the numbers

Serving the County's 86,000+ residents

#### Expenses



#### Revenue Sources



### Tax Rate

**61.9¢**

Per \$100 in valuation

**Property Value Assessment**  
**\$11,675,600,000**  
\*estimated

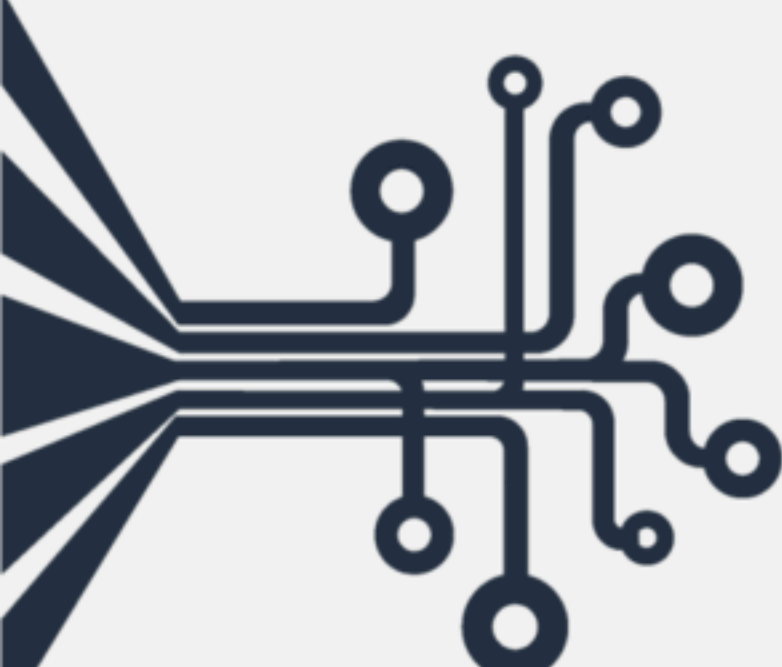
1¢ on the Tax Rate



**= \$1,167,560**

Nearly **half** of every \$ dollar collected in taxes (48¢) goes to **Public Safety** and **Education**.

As population growth continues along with commercial and industrial development, utility line upgrades and expansion of the public water and wastewater systems becomes essential. In the past three years the enterprise has financed over **\$60 Million** dollars in expansions to the system and invested another **\$5 Million+** dollars in upgrades.



Water Treatment Plant  
**\$14M**



Wastewater Plant  
**\$32M**

**\$700,000** in new improvements to the water and sewer utility systems are planned during FY22



The budget process is an ongoing endeavor that requires careful attention, balancing priorities, and making difficult decisions. Lincoln County is proud to present these highlights in an effort to be transparent with the community and inform citizens how their tax dollars are being spent – wisely, carefully, and with good judgement.



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