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E-SPLOST PROGRAM UPDATE
11.7.19

Agenda

- **CCSD by the Numbers**
  - Current Numbers and Sources for Funding Growth
- **E-SPLOST Overview**
- **Process for E-SPLOST Projects**
- **Review of Recent E-SPLOST Programs**
  - Funding and Projects Completed (E-SPLOST IV and V)
- **Current BOE Approved Projects**
- **Current E-SPLOST Budget and Projections**
- **Next Steps for Outstanding Projects**

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CCSD by the Numbers

- Schools = 21

- Students = 13,000+

- Staff = 2280

- General budget = $175,000,000, balanced

- Debt remaining on SPLOST bond: $43,300,000

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Sources for Funding Growth

- **Property Tax**

  - 20.00 millage rate (2016)

- **E-SPLOST**

  - One-cent sales tax (a consumption tax) on goods paid by all who shop, stay, dine, or receive services in Clarke County, including outside visitors.

  - ACC government taxes and SPLOST/Bond Referendums are not related to the school system; each is a separate government entity.

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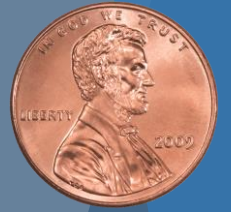Better Every Day

What is E-SPLOST?

- One-cent sales tax on goods paid by all who shop, stay, dine, or receive services in Clarke County, including outside visitors.

- School systems must ask permission (through a referendum) from voters to implement an E-SPLOST.

- Expires after five years or until the established cap is reached.

- CCSD voters approved E-SPLOST referendums in 1997, '01, '06, '11, and '16.

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What is E-SPLOST?

- By law, E-SPLOST funds can only be used for capital projects for educational purposes and to make payments on bonds.

- E-SPLOST funds cannot be used to pay operating expenses, such as salaries.

- Current E-SPLOST (V) expires DEC 2021.

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E-SPLOST Referendums

E-SPLOST	REFERENDUM	COLLECTION DATES	COLLECTION CAP	COLLECTED
I	3-18-97	1998—2001	90,000,000	
II	11-6-01	2002—2006	87,849,000	
III	11-7-06	2007—2011	104,000,000	$100,712,811
IV	11-8-11	2012—2016	120,000,000	$109,445,393
V	11-8-16	2017—2022	135,000,000	$53,130,098*

*As at Sept 30, 2019 and comprises collections from Jul 2017 - Aug, 2019 (receipt of collections runs one month behind).

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E-SPLOST Project Process

Facilities Assessment Report **+** Community Oversight Committee **+** School SPLOST Committee **+** Engineering/ Architectural Assessments **+** BOE Approval

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E-SPLOST V – Proposed Plan

Tier One

- Oglethorpe Ave. Elem.

- Hilsman Middle

- Coile Middle

- Clarke Middle

- BHL Middle

- Building systems renewal

- District, school, classroom technology infrastructure

Tier Two

- Building additions to accommodate enrollment growth (Chase, Gaines, Whitehead)

- School bus purchases

Tier Three

- Cedar Shoals High Improvements

- Extracurricular Activity Improvements

- District Office

- School Nutrition and other support functions

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E-SPLOST V – Completed

- Cedar Shoals High – Locker rooms and old gym upgrades (Fall 19)

- Clarke Central High – Softball concession/press box, field upgrades (9/19)

- Hilsman Middle – New build (9/19)

- BHL Middle – Renovations (3/19)

- Coile Middle – Renovations (3/19)

- ACCA Cosmetology Lab (12/18)

- Oglethorpe Ave Elementary – New build (Fall 18)

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SPLOST V – Currently Approved

- **West Broad Early Learning Center**

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SPLOST V – Proposed

- **Clarke Middle – Originally Slated for Renovations**

    - Originally budgeted for $10,000,000

- **District Office**

    - To be deferred till E-SPLOST VI

- **High School Athletic Facilities**

- **Additions to Chase Elementary and Gaines Elementary**

- **Technology, Nutrition**

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E-SPLOST V – Current Budget and Projections

Link to E-SPLOST V Monthly Report
(with Budget)
November, 2019

Access SPLOST information on the district website at: clarke.k12.ga.us

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Video Explanation of E-SPLOST Budget and Collection Projections

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- **Whitehead Elem (move office staff to Gaines)**

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Next Steps

- ## Sequence for Remaining V Items

  - CCSD E-SPLOST Team works with stakeholders to determine next projects

Facilities Assessment Report + **Community Oversight Committee** + **School SPLOST Committee** + **Engineering/ Architectural Assessments** + **BOE Approval**

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