

ST. TAMMANY PARISH ANNUAL REPORT 2013





DEAR CITIZENS OF ST. TAMMANY PARISH,

In 2013, our Parish experienced the fruits of the hard work of Parish employees, elected officials and everyday citizens who make our community a success. We ventured into new territory on many fronts and we worked diligently to achieve many goals we set in our second-year agenda.

Last year, the St. Tammany Parish Department of Public Works made over 49,000 linear feet of roadway improvements totaling over \$1.2 million. Single family new construction building permit numbers finished out the year at nearly 30 percent higher than 2012. We worked closely with the Coalition for Sustainable Flood Insurance Rates to achieve progress on Biggert-Waters reform, to ensure that flood insurance rates remain reasonable. Several economic development endeavors were announced in 2013, that will impact our Parish now and for future generations.

In 2014 we plan to build on the foundation we continue to establish, with thoughtful and deliberate decisions, focused solely on service to you, the citizens of St. Tammany.

Thank You,

Patricia P. Brister, St. Tammany Parish President

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I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO ASK THAT WE REMEMBER, WHILE WE MIGHT HAIL FROM DIFFERENT FAITHS... DIFFERENT RACES... OR DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE PARISH, WE ARE ONE ST. TAMMANY. IT DOES NOT MATTER THAT SOME MAY BE FROM THE EAST OR WEST, NORTH OR SOUTH... WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER. WE WILL SUCCEED BECAUSE WE ARE ONE ST. TAMMANY.



2013 was a productive and busy year for the Parish Council. A large amount of time and effort was directed towards the Coroner's office. The Coroner resigned and pled guilty to criminal wrongdoings, thereafter the Parish Council appointed Pramod Menon M.D. as the interim Coroner. Per State of Louisiana legislation the Parish Council completed the task of setting the salaries of all employees of the Coroner's office including that of the interim Coroner and the Coroner elect. The Council further reduced the Coroner's millage saving the tax payers approximately \$1,500,000, for 2013 and 2014.

The Parish Council authorized the refinancing, at a lower interest rate, of not exceeding \$44,350,000 of sales tax refunding bonds and sold \$40,765,000 sales tax refund bonds for sales tax district No. 3. This sale resulted in saving the Parish \$2,103,000 in interest over the life of the bonds.

Parish wide we continue to improve streets and drainage via multiple capital projects throughout the Parish.

Thank You,

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Jerry Binder, 2013 St. Tammany Parish Council Chairman

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2013 ANNUAL REPORT

SELECTED MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF 2013

- 12.2 million dollar community disaster loan cancelled
- Process Improvement Task Force announced
- Second location of Federally Qualified Health Center opens in Covington
- First Director of Economic Development hired in St. Tammany
- CLECO Smart Site Announcement: Water Cross at Nord du Lac joins four other Louisiana Smart Sites
- First ever Adjudicated Property Auction
- Permit numbers finished the year up and at highest numbers since 2008
- Worked closely with the Coalition for Sustainable Flood Insurance Rates to achieve marked progress on Biggert-Waters reform to ensure that flood insurance rates remain reasonable
- Pelican Energy announces expansion
- US Hwy 11 Detour Road completed
- IG Task Force holds first meeting Aug 12
- Construction Begins on Bootlegger Roundabout (Covington)
- Camp Salmen Amphitheatre, playground and two additional pavilions opened
- Rehab work completed on St. Tammany Fishing Pier
- Justice Center Parking Garage and office space complete
- Construction of Madisonville Library completed
- Worked with legislature to regain control of the St. Tammany Parish Coroner's Office financials

GOALS FOR 2014

Implement Process Improvement Task Force Recommendations
Continue Road And Drainage Upgrades
Create Department of Procurement
Lay The Groundwork For Cultural Arts District
Monitor With Vigilance The National Flood Insurance Program
Development of Continuing Education Campus
Implement Economic Development Districts
Reopen The St. Tammany Fishing Pier
Begin Phase II Of St. Tammany Fishing Pier Construction
Build On The Foundation of Behavioral Health Care For St. Tammany Residents

KEY FIGURES

HIGHWAY 11 ROADWAY PHASE I COMPLETED

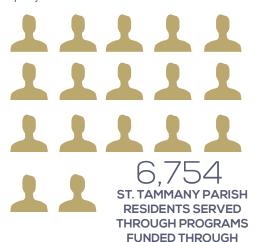
873 Animals Adopted



8,127 Bags of LitterCollected by STP Litter Abatement Crews

49,000 Linear Feet Of Roadway Completed

Successfully competed for relocation of RAIN CII executive offices to St. Tammany Parish, announced in October, 2013. Competitors included Jefferson Parish and Baton Rouge. It is projected that Rain CII will bring roughly 58 jobs with an average salary of \$114,000 per year.



THE PUBLIC HEALTH MILLAGE



ST. TAMMANY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH TASK FORCE

All behavioral health intervention programs are working at capacity, and suicide rates decreased in 2013. Public Health Millage-funded programs leverage the services provided by partner agencies to provide a comprehensive safety net for individuals in crisis.

As part of the Behavioral Health Task Force, staff continues to investigate and encourage alternative programs to expand availability of quality services to residents of the Parish. (i.e.- Family Preservation Services now operates an Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) team in STP)



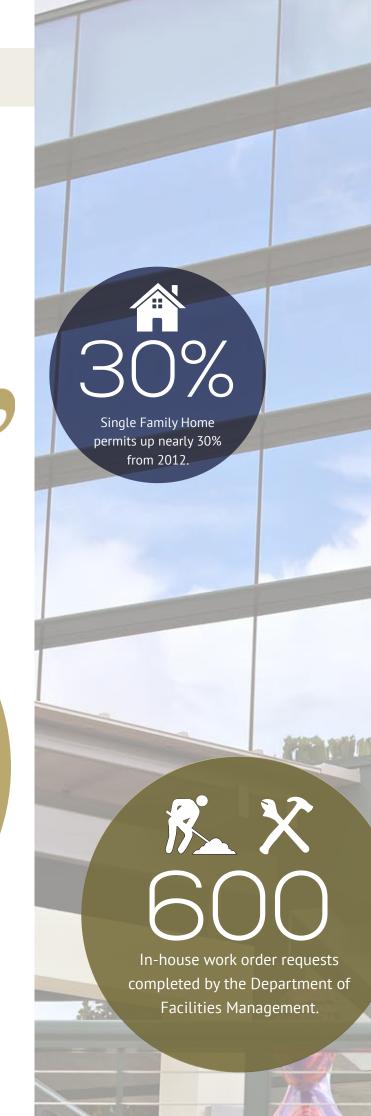
ABOUT US

"We look forward to the growth in St. Tammany that these numbers indicate," said Pat Brister, St. Tammany Parish President. "This positive news can be attributed to many things. The Parish's improved permitting process, a favorable business environment, a strong sustainable talent pool, and our high quality of life, which we want to protect as we experience this steady growth, all contribute to the energized economic climate here in St. Tammany Parish."



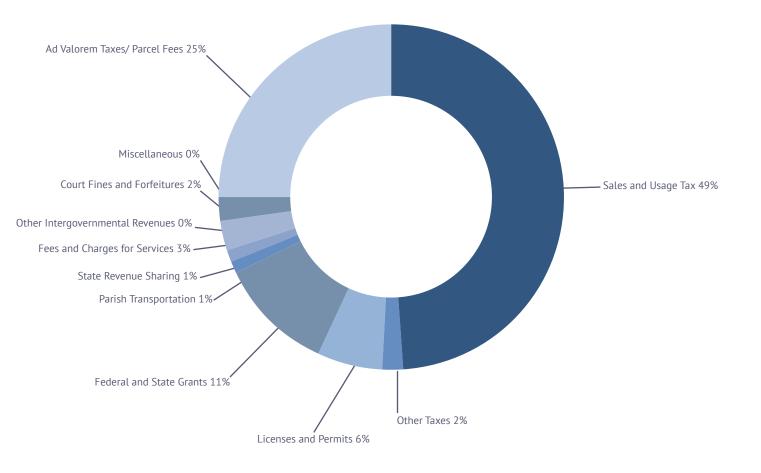
\$38,799,507 in Federal Grant Funds Awarded

for the reduction of repetitive and severe loss through residential mitigation projects and facility hardening projects.





2013 **REVENUE**





ST. TAMMANY PARISH REVENUES BY SOURCE,

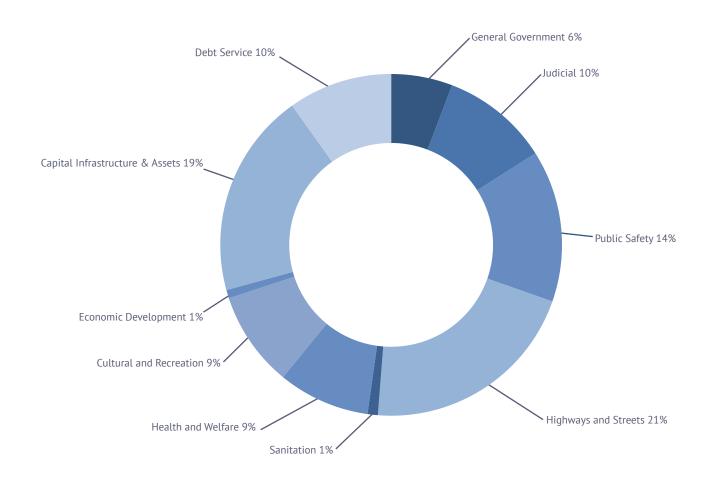
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2013

St. Tammany Parish Revenue (Governmental Funds)

12/21/13 (unaudited)

Ad Valorem Taxes/ Parcel fees	29,526,797
Sales and Use Tax	57,368,200
Other Taxes	2,406,964
Licenses and Permits	6,772,351
Federal and State Grants	12,514,621
State Revenue Sharing	711,994
Parish Transportation Funds	1,688,658
Other Intergovernmental Revenues	36,433
Fees and Charges for Services	2,973,578
Court Fines and Forfeitures	2,011,573
Miscellaneous	216,620
Total	116,227,789

2013 **EXPENDITURES**



ST. TAMMANY PARISH EXPENDITURES BY FUNCTION, GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2013



St. Tammany Parish Expenditures (Governmental Funds)

12/21/13 (unaudited)

General Government	6,574,107
Judicial	11,539,928
Public Safety	16,252,077
Highways and Streets	23,620,043
Sanitation	1,096,007
Health and Welfare	9,839,986
Cultural and Recreation	10,227,938
Economic Development	895,309
Capital Infrastructure & Assets	21,980,239
Debt Service	11,135,571
Total	113,161,205

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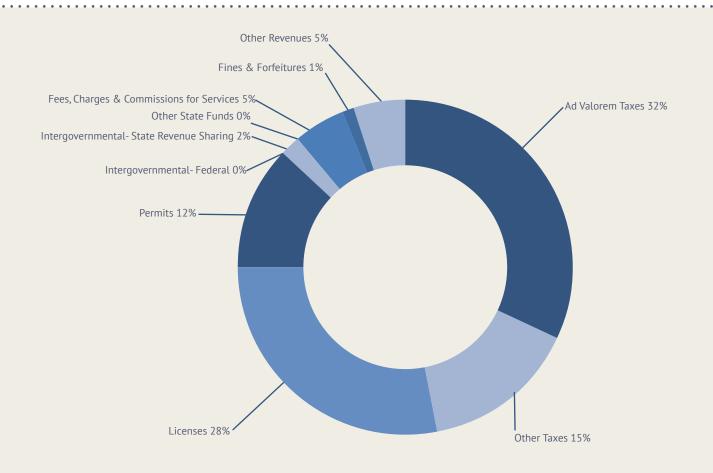
General Fund Expenditures

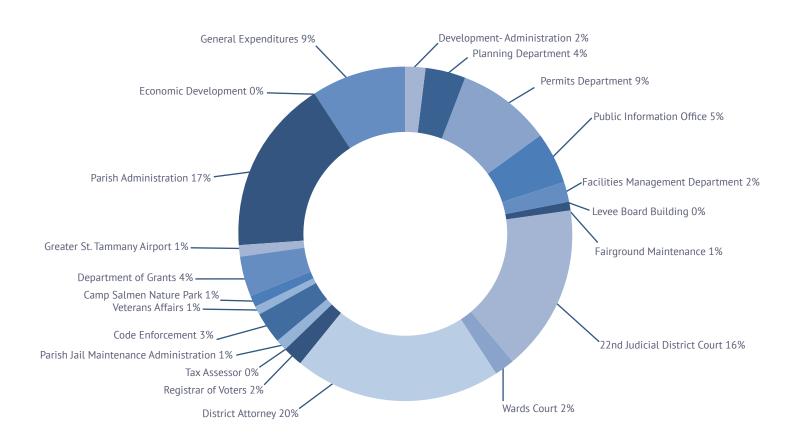
General Fund Revenues	12/21/13 (unaudited)
Ad Valorem Taxes	4,335,248
Other Taxes (Severance, Mineral, Beer, Cable)	2,106,322
Licenses	3,791,154
Permits	1,721,388
Intergovernmental- Federal	30,493
Intergovernmental- State Revenue Sharing	280,762
Other State Funds	5,940
Fees, Charges & Commissions for Services	675,685
Fines & Forfeitures	157,744
Other Revenues	631,344
Total	13,736,080

12/21/13 (unaudited)

Sellerati and Experiatores	12/21/15 (undunted)
Development	353,727
Planning Department	520,995
Permits Department	1,116,988
Public Information Office	589,528
Facilities Management Department	223,817
Levee Board Building	27,066
Fairgrounds Maintenance	62,436
22nd Judicial District Court	1,978,204
Wards Court	206,211
District Attorney	2,440,671
Registrar of Voters	218,936
Tax Assessor	1,795
Parish Jail Maintenance Administration	84,691
Code Enforcement	375,325
Economic Development	25,000
Veterans Affairs	91,691
Camp Salmen Nature Park	181,030
Department of Grants	437,651
Greater St. Tammany Airport	145,837
Parish Administration	2,174,354
General Expenditures	1,142,983
Total	12,398,936

PARISH FINANCES 2013





IT'S A WAY OF LIFE

WHY ANYWHERE ELSE? ST. TAMMANY IS A MULTI-FACETED, CULTURALLY RICH, ECONOMICALLY DIVERSE, ALL AROUND, EXCEPTIONAL PLACE TO LIVE.

From one end of the Parish to the other, each community throughout embraces its own distinctiveness, yet achieves harmonious connectivity with those around it.

The Parish is at the crossroads of three Interstates, with close proximity to a fourth. We are adjacent to major transportation waterways like the Mississippi River and the Gulf of Mexico, with international and metropolitan airports just minutes away. Nationwide railway systems and closeness to two ports—deep water and shallow—gives St. Tammany a choice level of connectivity and geographic advantage, making the Parish's connectedness competitive with any community in the country.

Our parish offers fertile ground for businesses and families to thrive. Every community within our Parish has its own distinctive identity, from the resort-like atmosphere of Mandeville, to the metro-rural Camellia City of Slidell, to the historic richness of Covington, the welcoming waterfront town of Madisonville, and the rural, agricultural and equestrian communities like Bush and Folsom.

At the heart of our economic stability and growth is the vision of Parish President Pat Brister, who champions innovation and entrepreneurialism and creates a business-friendly climate here in St. Tammany Parish.

For more information, or to schedule a meeting to discuss St. Tammany Parish's competitive advantages, call or email Don Shea, at 985-276-6417 or dshea@stpgov.org. Mr. Shea is the Director of Economic Development for the Parish and can assist you in any facet of your business relocation, expansion or start-up.

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