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Popular Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2022

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MESSAGE FROM THE CLERK

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Matt Reynolds was elected Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller of Putnam County in 2020. Clerk Reynolds has been a resident of Putnam County from the time he was just a few days old. He graduated with honors from Palatka High School, St. John's River State College, and the University of North Florida. He earned a degree in Business Administration with a major in Finance from the University of North Florida.

Before being elected, Clerk Reynolds served as the Deputy County Administrator for the Putnam County Board of County Commissioners. Previously, he was the Finance Director for the City of Palatka for almost a decade. He also served as the Assistant City Manager and Interim City Manager while at the City of Palatka.

Clerk Reynolds is active in the community and is a member of the Board of Directors for multiple local organizations including United Way of St. Johns and Putnam County, the Rotary Club of Palatka, First Coast Community Credit Union, Rodeheaver Boys Ranch, the ARC of Putnam County, and the Children's Reading Center. He has been, or currently is, the treasurer for a majority of these organizations, as well as holding the position of Audit Committee Chairman for First Coast Community Credit Union.

Clerk Reynolds serves on the Legislative Committee, Best Practices Committee, Court Operations Committee, Comptroller, and Clerk to Board Committee, Strategic Technology Committee, and the CCIS Committee. I am proud to present Putnam's Financial Flow, Putnam County's Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) for Fiscal Year 2022. The PAFR summarizes our County's financial data in an easy to read format, providing a snapshot of how your tax dollars are collected and spent. Additionally, it includes information and trends on demographics, taxes, debt, capital assets, and more.

As your Clerk of Circuit Court and Comptroller, my goal is to efficiently and effectively perform as clerk of the Circuit and County Courts, Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners, Recorder and Guardian of Public Records, Treasurer, Auditor, and Custodian of all County funds. It is my responsibility to ensure information about the County's finances is accessible and transparent to you, the citizens of Putnam County.

This report, the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, the County's annual budget, and other related information are all available for review on our website at <u>putnamclerk.com.</u>

I hope you find this report informative and valuable. It is my honor and privilege to serve as your Clerk of Circuit Court and Comptroller. If you have any questions or comments about this report, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at 386-326-7600 or matt.reynolds@putnam-fl.gov.

Sincerely,

Matt Reynolds Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller Putnam County

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ABOUT YOUR GOVERNMENT



CIRCUIT COURT & COMPTROLLER

- Clerk of the Circuit Court
- County Comptroller and internal auditor
- · Clerk of the **Board of County** Commissioners
- County Recorder and custodian of official records



APPRAISER

 Assesses your property's taxable value



SHERIFF

 Protects your community



SUPERVISOR OF **ELECTIONS**

 Oversees the election process



TAX COLLECTOR

Collects your taxes

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Five Commissioners Elected In Separate Districts

- Acts as local legislative and executive body
 Sets public policy, levies taxes, funds public projects and programs
 Appoints the County Administrator to carry out the policies and decisions made and approved by the commissioners

GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



Bill Pickens District 1



Leota Wilkinson District 2



Terry Turner District 3



Larry Harvey District 4



Paul Adamczyk District 5

CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS



CLERK & COMPTROLLER Matt Reynolds



PROPERTY APPRAISER Timothy E. Parker



SHERIFF Sheriff Gator Deloach



SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS Charles L. Overturf III



TAX COLLECTOR Linda Myers

ABOUT PUTNAM COUNTY

in the northeastern region of Florida, just south of Jacksonville, which is Florida's largest municipality by population and size, along with many lakes and the St. Johns River.

QUICK FACTS

County Seat:
City of
Palatka

Established 1849

728
Sq Miles
of Land

99 Sq Miles of Water

> Gem of the St. Johns River

PUTNAM

COUNTY

COUNTY PROFILE



Welcome to Putnam County, a progressive, rural community with easy access to major metropolitan areas, a competitive business climate, and an attractive lifestyle. Putnam County is located in the northeastern region of Florida, just south of Jacksonville, which is Florida's largest municipality by population and size.

We're nearly equal distance to Jacksonville, Ocala, Daytona, Gainesville, and Orlando making us the hub of Northeast Florida. We're less than 25 miles to the Atlantic Ocean, and have ample waterfront property along many lakes and the St. Johns River.

Putnam is made up of several small towns and municipalities, Crescent City, Interlachen, Welaka, Pomona Park, and Palatka. Putnam County residents enjoy an abundance of nature-based activities featuring recreation, fishing, golfing, hiking, biking, and more.

Putnam County, you'll find, is a mix of old-fashioned values, forward-looking ideas, and people working together to make good things happen.











DEMOGRAPHICS

FY2022

















CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE

Total percent of population age 16 yrs+ | 47.2%

ACCOMMODATION & FOOD SERVICE

Total accommodation and food services sales (\$1,000) | \$69,413

RETAIL SALES

Total retail sales (\$1,000) | \$737,422

FEMALE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE

Female percent of population age 16 yrs+ | 44.3%

TRANSPORTATION & WAREHOUSE

Total Transportation and warehouse receipts/revenue (\$1,000) | \$52,737

COMPUTER AND INTERNET USE

Household with a computer 86.4%

STATISTICS

TOP FIVE EMPLOYERS

Rank	Employer	Employees	Countywide Employment %
1	Putnam County School District	1,442	5.47%
2	Georgia-Pacific, Palatka Operations	1,000	3.79%
3	Putnam County Government	717	2.72%
4	St. Johns River Water Management District	550	2.09%
5	NF Putnam Community Medical Center	460	1.75%

FISCAL YEAR

NF Putnam Community Medical Center	460				1./5%
Function/Program	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Court Related					
Cases Opened	16,601	15,283	15,705	18,570	19,024
Cases Closed	11,354	11,459	11,633	14,805	13,804
Culture & Recreation – Library	11,054	11,437	11,000	14,000	10,004
Registered Borrowers	58,040	57,220	56,689	55,973	54,761
Volumes in Collection	109,532	107,343	112,149	110,975	104,771
Volumes Borrowed	36,543	40,606	35,367	67,557	66,282
Culture & Recreation - Parks & Recreation					
Program Participants	9,323	5,751	5,009	14,849	16,613
Program/Events Offered	22	24	18	31	33
Economic Environment – Veterans Services					
Claims Processed	1557	430	510	280	1,047
General Government - Supervisor of Elections					
Registered Voters	53,596	50,225	50,359	47,933	47,016
Human Services – Animal Control					
Complaints Answered	5,084	1,905	1,367	1,789	2,165
Citations Issued	0	0	0	0	0
Human Services – Mosquito Control		/0		0.5	110
Complaints Answered	60	60	57	95	112
Human Services – Welfare Administration HCRA Cases	82	118	179	190	159
Physical Environment – Solid Waste Control	02	110	1/9	190	159
Solid Waste Collections (tons)	201,412	214,302	192,964	103,613	88,711
Recycling Rate (Recycled Tons/Collected Tons)	30%	214,302	27%	27%	39%
Physical Environment – Water & Sewer Utilities	3070	25/0	27/0	27/0	37/0
Water Service Connections	1,197	1,197	1,197	1,197	1,197
Daily Water Consumption (avg. gals./day)	235,430	225,693	241,083	235,401	217,819
Peak Water Consumption (avg. gals./day)	309,296	311,550	299,953	337,601	280,586
Daily Wastewater Treatment (avg. gals./day)	139,997	124,592	127,787	151,245	205,486
Public Safety – Buildings & Inspections	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	•	, ,	·	,
Permits Issued:					
(1) Commercial	424	476	599	563	314
(2) Residential	4,094	5,648	5,804	5,765	4,777
Inspections	35,041	28,330	14,717	14,025	12,659
Public Safety – Codes Enforcement					
New Case Opened	573	662	720	727	540
New Case Inspections	2,819	5,302	649	1,914	1,337
Public Safety – EMS & Fire Control					
Ambulatory Transports	8,803	9,355	8,907	10,419	10,701
Emergency Responses	16,693	16,850	16,035	16,056	14,788
Fires Serviced	1,488	982	1,451	1,394	1,371
Public Safety – Law Enforcement (Sheriff)	003	00.4	00.4	00.4	1.070
Violations	801	804	834	924	1,272
Arrests	1,243	1,435	1,252	1,578	2,070
Transportation/Roads & Bridges Roads Graded (miles)	4,813	3,607	5,030	4,269	3,318
Transportation - Ports & Docks	4,013	3,007	5,030	4,209	3,318
Dockage Days	0	0	7	3	92
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RESIDENT ADVOCACY

STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

Customer Focused Government Growth Management GEconomic Development

Transportation and Infrastructure Enhancements
Families, Neighborhoods, and Communities

⊗Natural Resource and Open Space Preservation



GENERAL GOVERNMENT

The Putnam County Chamber of Commerce, Inc. is organized to advance the general welfare and prosperity of the Putnam County area so that its citizens and all areas of the business community shall prosper. All necessary means of promotion shall be provided and particular attention and emphasis shall be given the civic, commercial, cultural, industrial and educational interests of the area.



PUBLIC SAFETY

The professional men and women of the Sheriff's Office strive to provide unparalleled service and dedication to duty to ensure a sense of well-being and safety for the citizens of Putnam County. We continue to take the necessary steps to foster an excellent working atmosphere for our Members as we work in partnership with our community for the benefit of our citizens.



PARKS & RECREATION

Putnam County Parks & Recreation strives for the continual improvement of its broad-based recreational programs including sports, parks, recreational facilities and waterway activities. It is the mission of the Putnam County Parks & Recreation Department to provide a system of well-balanced, safe, accessible and affordable parks and recreational opportunities, facilities, programs and services that will enhance the general quality of life in Putnam County.



ECONOMIC/SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

Provide the resources necessary for small businesses to survive the COVID-19 pandemic and thrive during an economic recovery.

Enhance the ability of small businesses to find, hire, and retain qualified and willing employees.

Support efforts that protect businesses from costly and unnecessary regulations and mandates.

Create legislation assigning economic incentives for relocation and/or reinvesting in opportunity zones.

Support initiatives that attract and create high-wage jobs and bring capital investments to Florida.



WORKFORCE/EDUCATION

Putnam County engages in our region's talent ecosystem through a three-pronged approach of talent attraction, development, and connection. The ecosystem is a partnership of education, business and community leaders focused on a shared framework to optimize the workforce, support economic growth, and generate a fulfilling quality of life.



TRANSPORTATION

Funds appropriated for Putnam's Barge Port project –dredging, land acquisition to get prepared for maritime commerce once Shands Bridge barrier is removed.

Construction of the First Coast Expressway will bring major changes to transportation. This unique opportunity spearheaded by the joint efforts between the US Army Corps of Engineers, state and federal legislators, regional business partners, and Putnam County government to restore the port's navigable access channel and develop the port facility to accommodate the needs of our growing local businesses.



PUBLIC HEALTH

Quality healthcare services where our physicians provide patients with the most personal, warm, and quality of care possible. In Putnam, our physicians go above the standard of care and treat every patient with dignity and "hometown care" that is not common in most cities today.



PUBLIC WORKS

The Public Works Department is comprised of four Divisions; Administration, Engineering, Road and Bridge Maintenance, and Water and Wastewater Utilities.



SANITATION

Landfill Operations include an active landfill for all residential and commercial garbage, long term care, and maintenance of three closed landfills, a waste tire storage facility, and two solid waste/recycling facilities. Solid Waste includes transporting waste and recyclables from the solid waste/recycling facilities and other collection sites, and the maintenance of eight waste oil sights. Also included in the Sanitation Department is the mosquito control division which is charged with protecting the public's health from disease carrying mosquitos.

For more information visit main.putnam-fl.com

PROPERTY TAX CYCLE

January-June

Property Appraiser determines property value and exemptions, which is used to calculate the property's taxable value.

July

County Commissioners and other taxing districts propose millage rates, which are used to calculate taxes value.

A millage rate represents the tax rate levied on real estate or other property. The taxable value of your property can be calculated using the following equation:

Assessed Value - Exemptions = Taxable Value

Taxable Value / 1,000 X Total Millage Rates = Total Property Tax

Novemeber - March

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Tax Collector
distributes funds to
government agencies
and taxing authorities.
County funds are
invested by the Clerk
until needed for
expenses.

TAX BILLING CYCLE

August

Property Appraiser mails TRIM (Truth in Millage) notices. Property owners may challenge the assessed value by petitioning the Clerk's Value Adjustment Board.

Property taxes are the largest source of funding for Putnam County, accounting for half of the total revenues in FY2022.

Total revenue from property taxes reached a record high in FY2022.

November

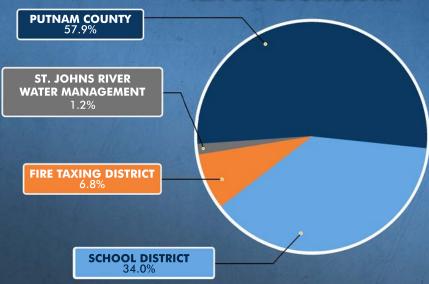
Tax Collector mails tax bills to property owners and begins collecting payments.

Your property tax bill is composed of many tax levying authorities, including Putnam County government, the School Board, and the St. Johns River Water Management. For a complete breakdown of your property tax bill visit:

Putnam County Tax Collector www.PutnamTax.com

Putnam County Property Appraiser PA.Putnam-FL.com

Tax Bill Breakdown



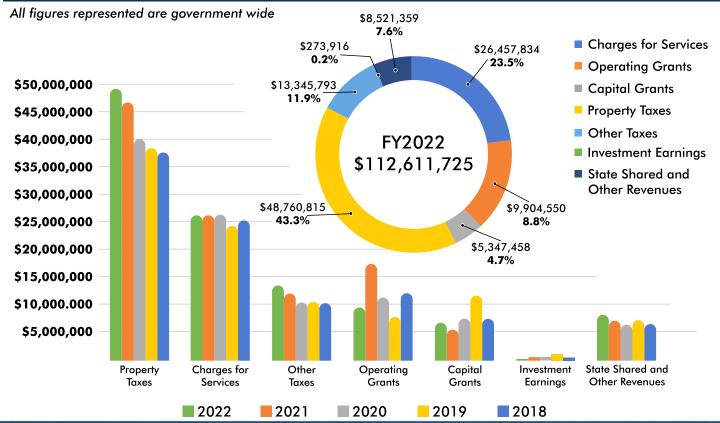
COUNTY WIDE - REVENUE TRENDS



Putnam County generates revenue from multiple sources of which includes charges for services, grants, other state taxes, investment earnings and other miscellaneous income.

Government Wide Revenues have decreased by 2.6% or \$2,890,714. The majority of this decline is due to a significant decrease in operating grants.

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Charges for Services	\$26,457,834	\$26,149,186	\$26,386,570	\$24,249,947	\$25,263,365
Operating Grants	\$9,904,550	\$17,626,501	\$10,548,283	\$7,866,924	\$12,227,252
Capital Grants	\$5,347,458	\$5,655,872	\$7,708,118	\$11,925,091	\$7,616,480
Property Taxes	\$48,760,815	\$46,451,036	\$40,083,059	\$38,278,392	\$37,433,321
Sales Taxes	\$3,820,656	\$3,895,378	\$3,196,300	\$3,340,475	\$3,225,581
State Shared Revenues	\$6,929,113	\$5,927,823	\$5,614,866	\$5,611,601	\$5,367,474
Local Infrastructure Surtax	\$8,315,815	\$7,344,637	\$6,319,582	\$6,100,849	\$6,004,675
Tourist Development Tax	\$843,418	\$611,989	\$557,805	\$584,272	\$481,242
Communications Service Tax	\$365,904	\$372,123	\$379,677	\$371,816	\$419,588
Investment Earnings	\$273,916	\$99,305	\$675,893	\$1,347,582	\$604,417
Miscellaneous	\$1,592,246	\$1,368,589	\$942,809	\$1,622,950	\$1,288,273
Total Actual Revenues	\$112,611,725	\$115,502,439	\$102,412,962	\$101,299,899	\$99,931,668



COUNTY WIDE - EXPENSE TRENDS



Putnam County uses the revenue collected to provide the necessary services for its citizens, which is the expense or cost of making our county government run smoothly and efficiently.

Government Wide Expenses increased 14% from FY21 to FY22

Public Safety and Business Type Activities were the top two expenses, making up more than half of the total expenses.

Public Safety includes services such as: EMS, Fire, Rescue, and Sheriff Business Type Activities includes services such as: Water and Wastewater, Solid Waste and Port Authority

Board of County Commissioner General Fund - Actual Expenditures

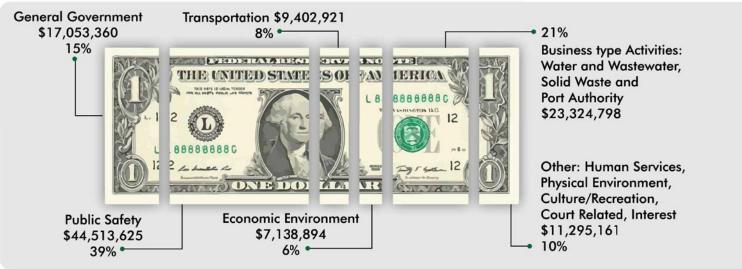
County Department	FY 2022 Expense	FY 2021 Expense	% Change
Personnel	\$12,171,772	\$11,492,427	6%
Operating	\$9,904,376	\$9,463,698	5%
Capital	\$2,166,331	\$2,004,895	8%
Debt	\$112,675	\$60,825	85%
Aid to Government Agencies	\$492,520	\$456,086	8%
Aid to Other Agencies	\$541,493	\$688,168	-21%
Transfers	\$9,459,551	\$8,228,581	15%
County Transfers to Constitutional Officers	FY 2022 Expense	FY 2021 Expense	

County Transfers to Constitutional Officers	FY 2022 Expense	FY 2021 Expense	
Sheriff	\$25,627,658	\$24,937,436	3%
Property Appraiser	\$2,118,142	\$1,874,946	13%
Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller	\$1,864,714	\$1,732,886	8%
Supervisor of Elections	\$1,023,919	\$969,480	6%
Tax Collector	\$200,000	-	
Total Actual Expenditures	\$65,683,152	\$61,909,428	6%

Notes: Constitutional Officer budget only represents portion of the budget funded by the Board of County Commissioners

Where is your Tax Dollar Spent?

Total County expenses: \$112,728,759



GENERAL FUND

Fund Balance

Classifications	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Nonspendable	\$52,459	\$20,231	-	-	-
Restricted	\$71,174	\$111,635	\$105,801	\$75,799	\$62,388
Committed	-	-	-	-	-
Assigned	\$16,300,940	\$17,040,953	\$12,811,949	\$11,200,000	\$7,216,989
Unassigned	\$5,353,352	\$4,836,306	\$5,700,835	\$5,095,012	\$2,111,016
	\$21,777,925	\$22,009,125	\$18,618,585	\$16,370,811	\$9,390,393



Of the committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balance classification, GFOA recommends retaining two months or 17% of budgeted revenue for general reserve to mitigate current and future risks.

Fund balance classified as unrestricted (committed, assigned, unassigned) is 33.2% of budgeted revenues. After reducing by the GFOA recommended amount, available reserve amount is 16.2%.

The fund balance is divided into multiple classifications:

- Nonspendable: Amounts not available to spend (monies in a trust, inventory)

- Committed: Amounts that can be used only for specific purposes set by the Putnam BOCC
- Unassigned: Amounts remaining not categorized above

Total Fund Balance for FY22 decreased by \$231,200 or 0.3% due to increase in expenditures.

General Fund

	Revenue	Expense	%
2022	\$66,018,288	\$66,249,488	0.3%
2021	\$65,929,437	\$62,538,897	-5.4%
2020	\$56,082,770	\$53,834,996	-4.2%
2019	\$56,169,554	\$49,189,136	-14.2%
2018	\$52,359,074	\$47,863,863	-9.4%

General Fund: Revenue VS Expenditures Trend



NET POSITION

Putnam County Summary Statement of Net Position



Assets	2022	2021	Change
Cash and Investments	\$96.8	\$93.8	
Other Current	\$26.3	\$18.2	
Capital Assets	\$207.5	\$202.8	
Total	\$330.6	\$314.8	\$15.8
Deferred Outflows	\$17.5	\$12.5	\$(5.0)
Liabilities			
Current	\$22.1	\$18.2	
Long Term-Current	\$4.6	\$3.8	
Long Term-Non Current	\$119.4	\$73.9	
Total	\$146.1	\$95.9	\$(50.2)
Deferred Outflows	\$5.9	\$35.1	\$29.2
Net Position			
Net Investment	\$174.1	\$168.5	
Restricted	\$27.2	\$24.3	
Unrestricted	\$(5.2)	\$3.4	
Total Net Position	\$196.1	\$196.2	\$0.1

^{*}figures in chart shown as millions

BETTER PLACE PLAN



All of Putnam's municipalities participate and get a share of the Better Place Plan Funding:

- City of Palatka
- City of Crescent City
- Town of Interlachen
- Town of Pomona Park
- Town of Welaka

Approved Project Budget FY22:

Better Place Surtax funds improvements which promote economic development and improvements in quality of life for the citizens for Putnam County.

Putnam County residents voted to extend the surtax to December 2032.

Better Place Plan Oversight Committee is appointed by the Putnam County Commissioners.

The Committee consists of 15 members that are residents of Putnam County and serve a 3 year term.

The Committee is responsible for certifying that projects are of a capital nature and consistent with the Better Place Plan Ordinance.



Animal Shelter	\$750,000	4.2%
Communications System Projects	\$1,080,000	6.0%
Resurfacing Projects	\$2,893,031	16.0%
Dirt to Pave	\$6,190,293	34.3%
Bridge Improvements	\$490,400	2.7%
Guardrail	\$148,200	0.8%
Georgetown Park Improvements	\$158,247	0.9%
Drainage Projects	\$758,031	4.2%
Water Fund Projects	\$550,000	3.0%
Jail Project Debt	\$872,520	4.8%
Future Projects/Committed Debt	\$4,143,117	23.0%
Total Approved Projects	\$18,033,839	

CAPITAL ASSETS (Net of Depreciation)

Putnam County's investment in capital assets include land, right of way, buildings, infrastructure and construction in progress. In the Fiscal Year 2022, the net capital assets equaled \$207,510,000.

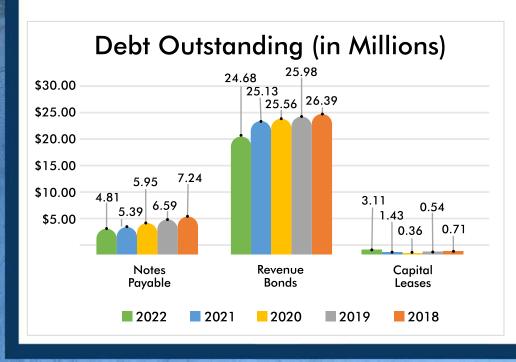
Major Initiatives:

- Improving roads through resurfacing, widening, and turning "dirt to pavement" will continue to be a major priority for the County, improving quality of life and bolstering efforts in economic development.
- The County continues to convert septic tanks to the sewer system in East Putnam using cost share agreements from the St. Johns River Water Management District. These septic conversions help the County reach the nutrient loading reduction requirements imposed by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and improves the quality of the St. Johns River, a most valuable asset.
- In August of 2022, Putnam County completed the construction of Cell 4A at the county landfill. The project included the demolition of existing structures, placement of 75,000 cubic yards of structure fill, installation of Cell 4A liner system over 10.6 acres, placement of protective cover over liner system, relocation of a pump station, purchase and installation of leachate pump systems, retrofit of existing Cell 2 and 3 leachate system, electrical power supply to pumps, and construction of storm water system.

Funding of Capital Assets and Capital Asset Statistics- Five Year History **Infrastructure** 2021 2020 2019 2018 Function/Program Court Related Courtrooms 6 6 Culture & Recreation 5 5 5 5 5 Library Branches **Better Place** Local/State/ **County Cost** 1,525 1,525 1,525 1,527 1,525 Acreage Surtax Federal Grants Share/Match Parks 21 19 19 19 19 Capital Assets (Net of Depreciation) Baseball/Softball Diamonds 26 26 26 26 26 Football/Soccer Fields 2 2 2 2 2 0.5% -13% Tennis Courts 5 5 5 5 5 2.6% Community Centers 4 4 0.1% 19.1% Supervisor of Elections **Voting Machines** 33 33 33 33 16.4% 1.4% **Physical Environment** Landfill Capacity Available (tons) 629,577 364,082 368,055 558,299 688,660 Collection Centers 3 3 3 3 5.6% **Public Safety Ambulances** 14 14 16 16 15 41.2% Fire Stations 18 18 18 18 18 Fire Trucks 81 48 48 50 56 ■ Lease Assets **Patrol Vehicles** 113 93 57 57 57 Land Intangible Assets Equipment ■ Infrastructure Transportation Landfill Construction in Progress Paved Roads (miles) 603 597 587 572 560 1,068 Unpaved Roads (miles) 1,039 1.045 1.052 1,080 ■ Buildings and Improvements ■ Water & Sewer Dist System

COUNTY DEBT

Debt Outstanding:					
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Governmental Loans/Notes Payable	-	-	-	\$88,708	\$202,994
Revenue Bonds	\$16,462,400	\$16,732,500	\$16,994,400	\$17,248,500	\$17,494,800
Financed Purchase Lease Obligations	\$221,063 \$2,016,172	\$472,260 \$573,422	\$364,782 -	\$539,645 -	\$706,752 -
Proprietary					
Loans/Notes Payable	\$4,814,834	\$5,391,388	\$5,953,048	\$6,500,199	\$7,033,058
Revenue Bonds	\$8,215,000	\$8,393,000	\$8,565,000	\$8,731,000	\$8,892,000
Capital Leases	-	-	-	-	-
Lease Obligations	\$869,701	\$382,260	-	-	-
Total					
Loans/Notes Payable	\$4,814,834	\$5,391,388	\$5,953,048	\$6,588,907	\$7,236,002
Revenue Bonds	\$24,677,400	\$25,125,500	\$25,559,400	\$25,979,500	\$26,386,800
Finance Purchase	\$221,063	\$472,260	\$364,782	\$539,645	\$706,752
Lease Obligations	\$2,885,873	\$955,682	-	-	-



The County's long-term Capital Improvement Plan serves as the starting point for determining future financing needs. The decision to issue debt is made on a case by case basis based upon some of the factors below:

- Current constraints under existing debt covenants
- Current financial condition
- Current market conditions and interest rates
- Type, availability, and stability of pledged repayment revenues
- Availability of internal and external funding sources

INVESTMENTS

In accordance with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, the County adopted an investment policy, which guides the investment of County surplus funds.

This policy allows the County to:



Establish investment objectives, maturity and liquidity requirements, portfolio composition, risk and diversification requirements, and authorized investments

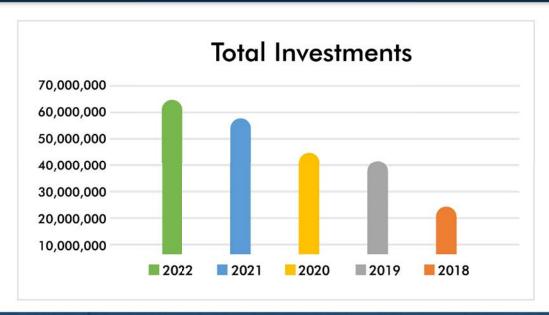


Achieve market rates of return using safety, liquidity and yield, in that order of priority, as its three main objectives

Investment rates of return were extremely minimal throughout a majority of fiscal year 2022, however interest rates began to climb near the end of the year.

Investments As of September 30, 2022

	Investment Maturities					
	Fair Value	Less than 1 YR	1-2 Years	2-3 Years	3-5 Years	
State Investment Pool- Florida Prime	\$15,122,790	\$15,122,790	-	-	-	
Florida Local Govt Trust (total)	\$8,390,794	\$8,264,926	\$101,012	\$22,509	\$2,437	
Florida Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities (total)	\$40,103,434	\$40,103,434				
Money Market Funds	\$805,998	\$805,998				
Total Investments	\$64,423,016	\$64,297,148	\$101,012	\$22,509	\$2,437	
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		Less than 1 YR	1-2 Years	2-3 Years	3-5 Years	
	Total Investments	99.80%	0.16%	0.03%	0.00%	



AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA)

Putnam County ARPA Funding

Governmental Services	BUDGET
Oak Tree Lane	\$ 50,000
Bardin Ranchett Road	\$ 306,024
Communication System Upgrade	\$ 7,107,295
Public Health	
Pickle Ball Fence	\$ 15,520
Quick Response Vehicle	\$ 330,000
Recreation (Parks)	\$ 1,520,000
Infrastructure	
Citizen Water Connections	\$ 300,000
Phase 1 Water System Expansion	\$ 3,500,000
VFD Water System Upgrade	\$ 256,000
Rio Vista and Overlook	\$ 400,000
Port Buena Vista	\$ 689,992
Total ARPA Funding	\$ 14,474,831

The county received notice of ARPA funding in the amount of \$14.4 million dollars. The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) objectives include supporting urgent COVID-19 response efforts, replacing lost public sector revenues, supporting immediate economic stabilization, and addressing systemic public health and economic challenges resulting from the pandemic. Putnam County has received half of its funding. The Board of County Commissioners identified numerous projects for funding from the ARPA funds: purchase and upgrade of the Public Safety Radio System inclusive of construction of a new communications tower, expansion of the potable water system, improvements of county parks & recreational facilities, fleet replacement for fire/rescue as well as some infrastructure enhancements. The ARPA funds have provided an avenue to fund these vital projects without impacting the county's operating dollars.



COUNTY WIDE PROJECTS



- The County received a Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Program for approximately \$3.5 million that has been amended for additional work and funding bringing the estimated project total up to \$6.9 million for storm-water improvements along St. Johns Avenue.
- The countywide communication system used by all law enforcement and emergency first responders throughout the County is aging, causing limited coverage and incomplete messages. Because of funding constraints, the County planned improvements in three phases. The County is currently funding Phase 3 of the communication project via the ARPA funding.
- 3. The County is moving forward with the construction of a new animal control facility and has budgeted \$750,000 from the Better Place Plan fund for its construction. The core borings have been obtained, the analysis has been received. Discussion on design and construction are in progress.
- In the 2022 legislative session Putnam County was awarded \$2,000,000 to assist with drainage enhancement in North Putnam and an additional \$560,000 to assist with drainage enhancements in South Putnam. This work will reduce flooding and improve the normal flow of water in this area of the County which is essential to protect residential, agricultural and commercial properties.
- In the 2022 legislative session Putnam County was awarded \$2,000,000 for the construction of a new fire station. Construction of the new station will enhance our services in the west end of the county.
- 6. In 2022, Putnam County completed the rehabilitation of Bardin Bridge. The project consisted of bridge rehabilitation, channel excavation and protection as well as reconstruction of the approach roadway. The completion of the project removes the FDOT weight restriction of this bridge and allows citizens unlimited use of the infrastructure.

PROPERTY FRAUD ALERTS



"Clerk Matt Reynolds joined five other Florida Clerks of Court to hold a press conference launching a regional campaign to urge property owners to subscribe to free property fraud alert services."

PROPERTY FRAUD ALERTS

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Please remember that the clerk's office will never contact you by phone or email to enforce fines, threaten warrants or request personal information.

OFFICIAL RECORDS SCAM

Please remember that you can obtain certified copies of your official records through the clerk's office for a minimal statutorily required fee



CLERK'S OFFICE



STATISTICS

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Marriage Licenses	540
Passport Applications	449
Notice of Commencements	2,954
Documents Recorded	31,133
Tax Deed (Sold/Redeemed)	625
Checks Issued	8,122
Traffic Citations	3,992
Criminal Cases Opened	5,775
Civil Cases Opened	7,031
Family Cases Opened	3,795
Jury Summons	6,450



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- Appeals
- Court Record Retention and Destruction
- Determination of Indigency
- Evidence Storage and Destruction
- Exploitation of Vulnerable Adult Injunction
- Guardianship Audits
- Reporting Mental Health Cases to State Agencies
- Requests to Redact Exempt Personal Information
- Risk Protection Orders
- Unclaimed Funds



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Value Adjustment Board

Property Fraud Alert





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Clerk to Board/Tax Deeds	386-326-7670
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Finance	386-326-7660
Marriage License & Passports	386-326-7680
General Customer Service	386-326-7680
Administration	386-326-7603
Main Line/All other Questions	386-326-7600
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