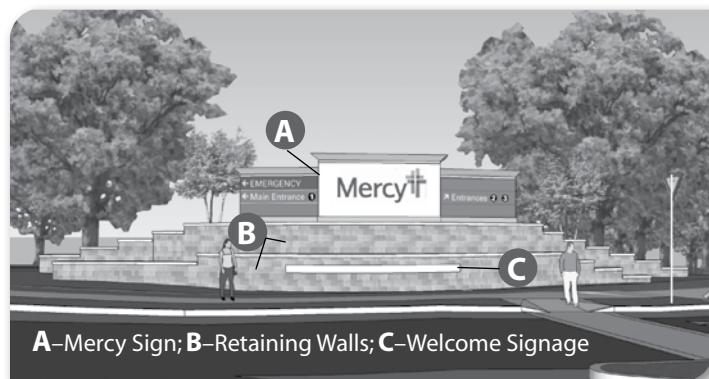


Roadway improvements under way at New Ballas & Conway

Mercy Hospital St. Louis recently began construction work at the intersection of Conway and New Ballas roads. The work approved by the City of Creve Coeur and the Missouri Department of Transportation will significantly expand the intersection and improve traffic flow in the area. Ultimately, these improvements will ease congestion and improve visitor's ability to find their way around the hospital campus.



A–Mercy Sign; B–Retaining Walls; C–Welcome Signage

In early spring 2012, the landscape portion will be complete with a new Mercy monument sign at the northwest corner of Conway and New Ballas and a “Welcome to Creve Coeur” message on a retaining wall.

This work is in preparation for the actual road widening phase to begin in early spring and be completed by the end of summer 2012. The road widening will provide for dual turn lanes north and south on New Ballas at Conway and dual turn lanes on the western segment of Conway. The road and landscaping improvements were approved as part of the Mercy's campus master plan in 2005.

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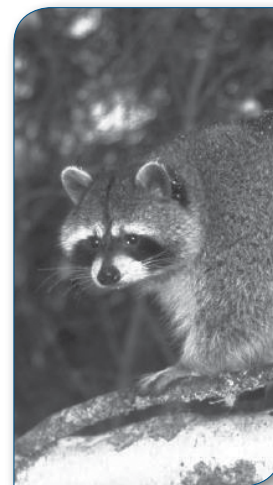
The first phase of the improvement work, which began in early December, includes tree removal, utility pole relocation, grading and retaining wall construction on both sides of Conway Road, as well as additional landscaping. While a number of trees were removed to facilitate this work, they will be replaced with a greater number of new trees as part of the landscape project.

Hotline responds to call of the wild

The Bi-State Wildlife Hotline is now officially available for callers in Missouri and Illinois. The free service is available for citizens, police, animal control, conservation centers, nature centers, animal rescues, public health departments, etc., to help address wildlife conflict concerns. Calls are accepted

about any species of wild animal. Citizens can call the hotline to get information, assistance and local contact information to address their specific wildlife concern and circumstances. The hotline is available 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.

The Bi-State Wildlife Hotline can be reached at 636-492-1610 or by visiting www.wildlifehotline.com.



Have you seen me?

Do you know where this piece of public art is located in Creve Coeur?
Do you know who the artist is? (Look for answers in the February Newsletter.)





from the desk of Mayor Dielmann

It's hard to believe that another year has passed and we are now entering 2012. I hope that you had a good year in 2011.

We have seen many improvements in our city during the last year and hopefully it will continue as we have many good projects pending. I hope that we can get the proposed downtown area moving forward during this year as I believe it would be most beneficial for our city and hopefully, the new year will bring us a much-needed hardware store. We recently had a new business move into the former Joseph A. Bank Building on Lindbergh Boulevard which is The Resale Shop, a charitable project of the National Council of

Jewish Women - St. Louis Section. We wish them well in their new location and welcome them to Creve Coeur.

We recently appointed members to the newly created Arts Commission. They are ready and eager to move forward.

The Citizens of the Year were nominated by the City Council and were recognized at the City Appreciation Open House in December. Congratulations to Claire Chosid and David Caldwell. Read more about them in the February Newsletter.

I wish you all the very best in the New Year.

Yours for a better place to live, work and retire,

Harold Dielmann, Mayor

Council Activity *from December 5 and December 12 meetings*

- Adopted Ord. 5232 amending the adopted 2011-2012 General Fund and Capital Fund budgets of the City Of Creve Coeur by authorizing additional appropriations and unappropriations from operating departments
- Appointed Citizens of the Year 2011
- Appointed members to the newly formed Arts Commission
- Failed Bill 5345 (5-3 vote) repealing Ord. 1074, 1594 and 1694, and authorizing the issuance of a new conditional use permit for operation of a Valvoline Instant Oil Change Service Station located at 11333 Olive Blvd.
- Adopted Ord. 5233 authorizing an extension of license for Use of Right-of-Way by Edward D. Jones & Co., L.P.
- Adopted Ord. 5234 authorizing an extension of license for Use of Right-of-Way by Savvis Communications Corporation
- Adopted Ord. 5235 amending Chapter 500, Article II and Article VI of the Creve Coeur City Building Codes regarding fire sprinklers in one- and two-family dwellings or townhouses
- Adopted Ord. 5236 repealing Ord. 5228 and enacting a new ordinance amending Chapter 405, The Zoning Ordinance of The Code of Ordinances of the City of Creve Coeur by adding Motor Vehicle Dealers, New and Used, and Used Only, as a conditional use in "LI" Light Industrial Zoning District, and establishing conditions for such use
- Adopted Ord. 5237 waiving the gross receipts of tax on Ameren's Sale of "Pure Power" and any similar programs
- Passed Resolution 969 authorizing the City to become an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Green Power Partner and to initiate an EPA Green Power Community Challenge in Creve Coeur.

Elected Officials

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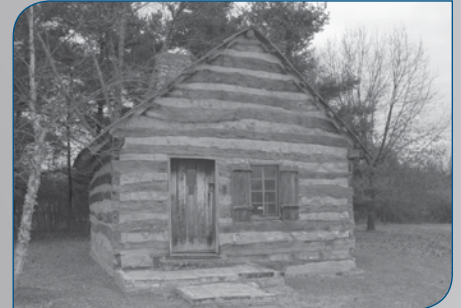
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POPULAR ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

A Message from the City Administrator and the Director of Finance

Creve Coeur Citizens,

The Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) represents our effort to keep citizens informed on the state of financial affairs for the City of Creve Coeur.

Like other cities across the state and the nation, Creve Coeur has faced significant financial challenges in recent years as major revenue sources, such as sales tax and building permit revenues have declined, while the cost to maintain our high service levels has continued to increase. However, through a variety of personnel reductions, efficiency and other cost-cutting measures, operating costs have been held well within our projected revenues.

In November of 2010, Creve Coeur voters approved a one-quarter cent sales tax (see sales tax rate chart on p. 6) to provide additional funding for General Fund services such as police protection, trash and recycling service, leaf and limb services and street and park maintenance. These new funds, combined with expenditure reductions, will allow the city to maintain service levels while balancing the budget over the next several years.

The financial activity statements included herein are taken from the City of Creve Coeur Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). A copy of the CAFR is available at the Government Center.

To the best of our knowledge, the information presented herein is accurate in all material respects and presents fairly the financial positions and results of operations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011. Responsibility for the accuracy, completeness and fairness of the data presented rests with the city. The PAFR is prepared in accordance with the Government Finance Officers Association standards.


We are committed to preserving the city's long-term financial health, as evidenced by our AAA Standard & Poor's bond rating. Creve Coeur is one of only four such highly rated cities in the State of Missouri.

We hope you find this report to be informative and we welcome your comments and suggestions. Please feel free to contact either of us to discuss any aspect of this report. Citizens may keep apprised of the state of city finances by reviewing the quarterly financial reports posted to the city's website at www.creve-coeur.org.

Sincerely,



Mark Perkins
City Administrator



Daniel Smith
Director of Finance



Mark Perkins, CM-ICMA
City Administrator



Daniel Smith, CPA
Director of Finance

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June 30, 2010



Linda C. Davidson
President
Jeffrey L. Easer
Executive Director

Financial Activity Statements for Years Ended June 30, 2010 and June 30, 2011

All Government Fund Types		
Revenues	2010	2011
Property Taxes	\$653,966	\$686,393
Sales Tax	\$5,266,229	\$5,665,753
Public Utility Licenses	\$6,259,404	\$5,862,030
Other Taxes	\$135,311	\$136,493
Licenses and Permits	\$732,717	\$623,841
Municipal Facilities	\$85,329	\$79,696
Intergovernmental	\$2,524,674	\$1,794,855
Fines & Forfeitures	\$1,859,369	\$1,817,243
Charges for Services	\$42,227	\$42,228
Investment Income	\$295,507	\$204,816
Miscellaneous	\$562,990	\$645,001
Total Revenues	\$18,417,723	\$17,558,349
Expenditure by Function		
General Government	\$3,136,463	\$3,062,389
Public Safety	\$6,040,024	\$6,343,603
Public Works	\$3,743,773	\$3,758,289
Community Development	\$981,707	\$1,033,409
Economic Development	\$348,754	\$1,357
Capital Outlay	\$2,806,429	\$1,726,152
Debt Service (Principal & Interest)	\$1,251,741	\$992,543
Total Expenditures	\$18,308,891	\$16,917,742
Other Financing Sources/Uses		
Transfers-In	\$584,831	\$750,000
Transfers-Out	\$(679,831)	\$(885,000)
Net Bond Proceeds	\$-	\$-
Proceeds from Capital Lease	\$-	\$-
Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	\$83,757	\$53,600
Net Changes in Fund Balance	\$97,589	\$559,207

All Government Fund Types

What does this mean? During 2011, the city's revenues exceeded expenditures in its Governmental Funds. The increase in Fund Balance resulted primarily from decreased expenditures, primarily for Economic Development, Capital Outlay and Debt Service. Economic Development was reduced as a result of distribution of the surplus Tax Increment Financing (TIF) monies to the taxing entities.

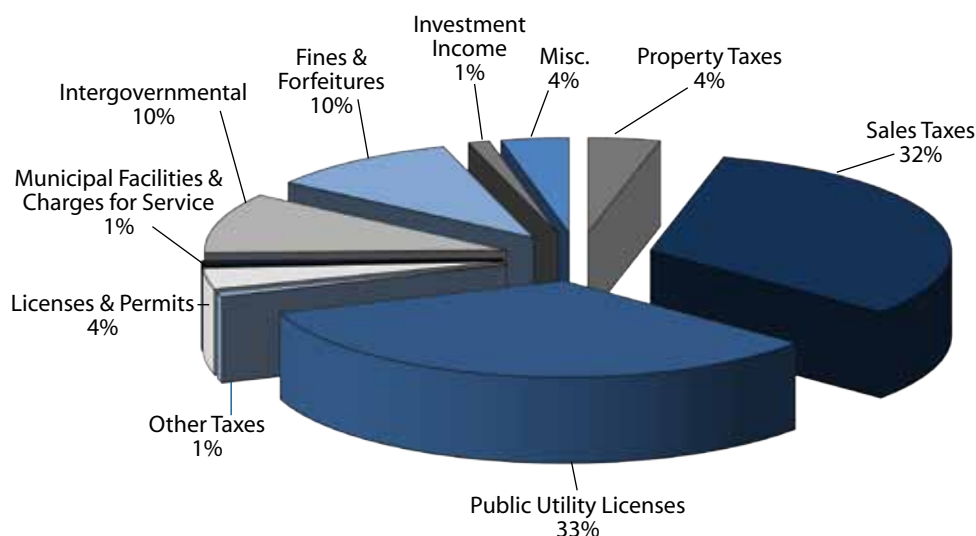
Enterprise Fund		
Revenues	2010	2011
Food Service Revenues	\$54,416	\$54,569
Golf Course Revenues	\$415,467	\$364,203
Ice Arena Revenues	\$518,685	\$520,226
Total Operating Revenues	\$988,568	\$938,998
Operating Expenses		
Food Service Expenses	\$42,846	\$43,145
Golf Course Expenses	\$482,388	\$440,986
Ice Arena Expenses	\$390,478	\$393,362
Depreciation	\$240,371	\$256,724
Total Operating Expenses	\$1,156,083	\$1,134,217
Non-Operating Revenue (Expenses)		
Investment Income	\$469	\$237
Interest Expense	\$(62,550)	\$(59,609)
Loss on Disposal of Assets	\$-	\$(9,900)
Total Non-Operating Revenue (Expenses)	\$(62,081)	\$(69,272)
Loss Before Capital Contributions and Transfers	\$(229,596)	\$(264,491)
Capital Contributions	\$387,941	\$-
Transfers-In	\$95,000	\$135,000
Change in Net Assets	\$253,345	\$(129,491)
Net Assets, July 1	\$2,477,750	\$2,731,095
Net Assets, June 30	\$2,731,095	\$2,601,604

Capital Outlay was reduced primarily due to less capital spending in the Capital Fund. Debt service payments were reduced pursuant to the established schedules for Millennium Park.

Enterprise Fund

The Enterprise Fund records the financial activity of the recreation activities conducted at the Dielmann Center. The operating loss of the Enterprise Fund increased in 2011 from \$229,596 to \$264,491. This increase occurred as a result of reduced revenues at the Golf Course and increased expenses at the Golf Course. The revenues of the Enterprise Fund covered all operating expenditures with the exception of depreciation in 2011.

Where does the money come from?



Revenue	2011
Property Taxes	\$686,393
Sales Tax	\$5,665,753
Public Utility Licenses	\$5,862,030
Other Taxes	\$136,493
Licenses and Permits	\$623,841
Municipal Facilities and Charges for Services	\$121,924
Intergovernmental	\$1,794,855
Fines & Forfeitures	\$1,817,243
Investment Income	\$204,816
Miscellaneous	\$645,001
Total Revenue	\$17,558,349

Public Utility Licenses: derived from the city's 7% gross receipts tax on sales of electric, gas, telephone and water services within the city.

Sales Tax: derived from the 1.25% general retail sales tax (effective April 2011) and the 0.5% capital sales tax.

Intergovernmental: revenues from grants and pass-through monies from the State of Missouri and the U.S. government, including gasoline tax, auto sales tax and road and bridge money.

Fines & Forfeitures: revenues derived from fines and costs levied in the court.

Licenses & Permits: derived from licenses and permits, such as building permits and business licenses, required by the city's code or state law.

Property Taxes: the City's real estate tax rate is \$.084 for residential and \$.079 for commercial property per \$100 assessed valuation.

Miscellaneous: derived from sources such as cable television franchise fees, reimbursements, refunds and other sources.

Investment Income: revenue earned by investing city funds throughout the year, pursuant to the city's investment policy.

Other Taxes: primarily tax revenues for the sewer lateral program.

Municipal Facilities & Charges for Services: revenues from the use of city facilities or recreation programs and charges for services, such as the police contract with Parkway Schools.

Where does the money go?

Economic Development: expenditures relating to the retirement of debt for the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) project. These funds are derived solely from tax payments generated within the TIF district. The TIF was retired August 2009.

Community Development: expenditures relating to planning, zoning, building inspection and code enforcement.

Debt Service: debt service payments include both principal and

interest debt issued for the Millennium Park acquisition (2004). This debt is scheduled to be retired in 2020.

General Government: expenditures relating to city council, city clerk, city administrator's office, finance, municipal court, insurance, sewer lateral program and other related functions.

Public Works: expenditures relating to services such as streets, parks, building maintenance, refuse collection, recycling,

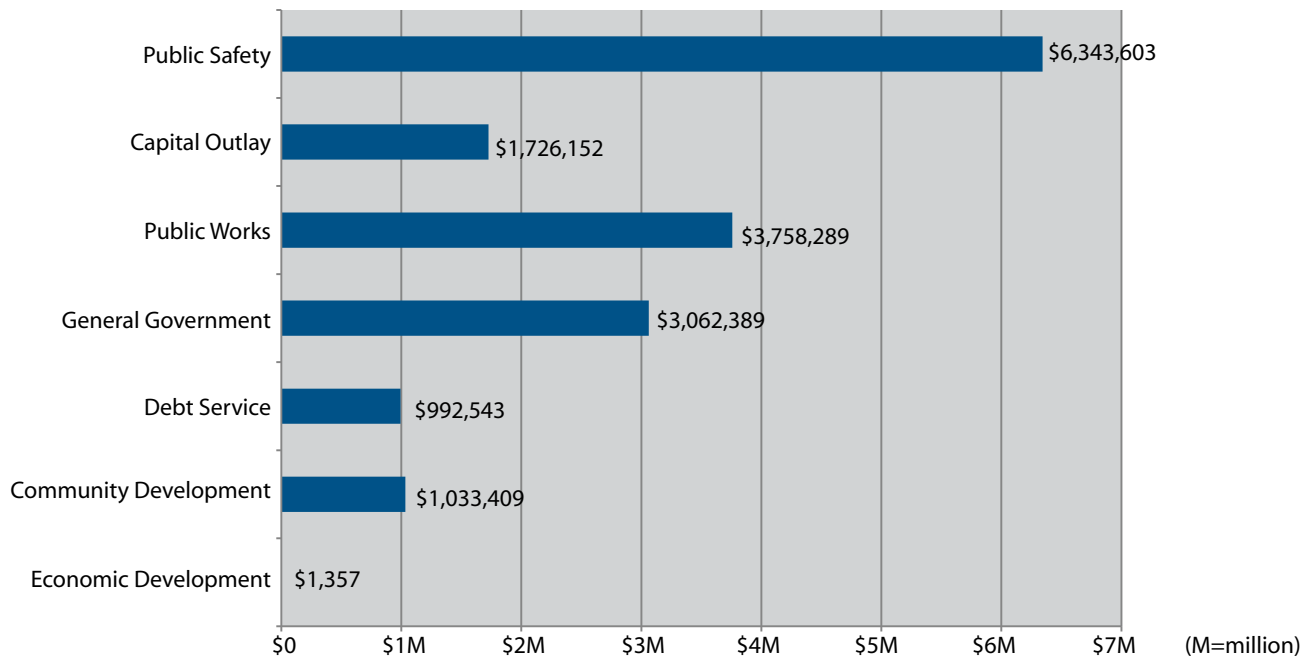
engineering and other related services.

Capital Outlay: accounts used to purchase capital items and the construction or acquisition of major capital facilities. This includes projects financed through the city's 0.5% Capital Sales Tax.

Public Safety: Expenditures relating to the police department, including administration, investigation, patrol and dispatching.

Expenditure	2011
Economic Development	\$1,357
Community Development	\$1,033,409
Debt Service	\$992,543
General Government	\$3,062,389
Public Works	\$3,758,289
Capital Outlay	\$1,726,152
Public Safety	\$6,343,603
Total Expenditure	\$16,917,742

2011 Governmental Fund Type-Expenditure by Function



Capital Improvement Program (CIP)

CIP Projects

The CIP is the city's long-range budgeting tool for improvements to infrastructure, parks and other community facilities and to establish funding of high-priority projects in a timely, cost-effective fashion. It is a systematic approach to replacing deteriorating infrastructure, replacement of major capital items and adding new facilities that enhance the quality of life in Creve Coeur.

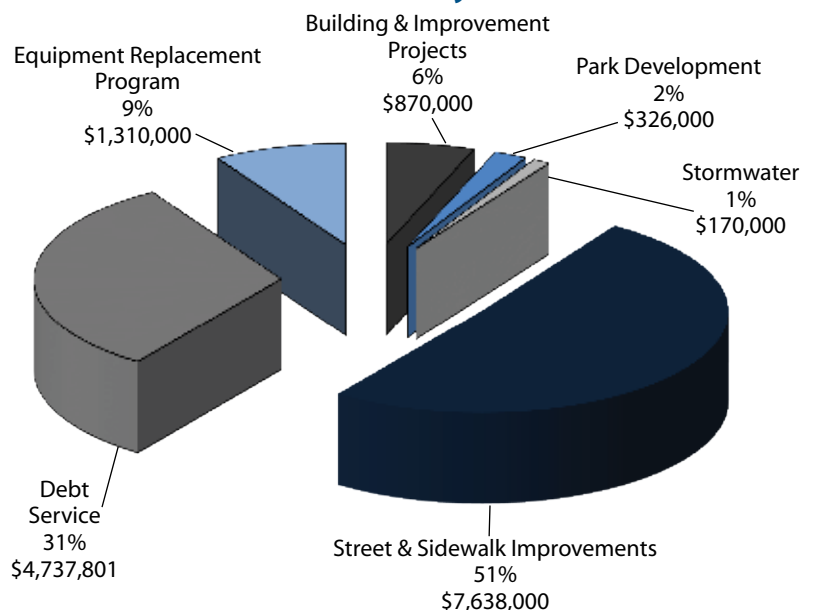
Each CIP covers a five-year period and is updated annually. Public input is an integral part of the planning process for each CIP and staff spends six months gathering information, ascertaining public input and prioritizing projects based on a special set of criteria including: public safety, condition of existing facility, operating efficiency, citizen demand, economic growth, protection and conservation, beautification, coordination (projects, regulations) and availability of funding.

The Planning and Zoning Commission reviews the plan and forwards a recommendation to the City Council. The City Council reviews the plan, holds a public hearing and ultimately decides on the CIP's adoption.

The full CIP and other long-range planning documents are available for review at the Government Center.

CIP Program Expenses	2011
Building & Improvement Projects	\$49,751
Park Development	\$32,537
Stormwater	\$1,062
Street & Sidewalk Improvements	\$1,090,646
Debt Service	\$992,543
Equipment Replacement Program	\$326,260
Total CIP Program Expenses	\$2,492,799

Capital Improvement Program Five-Year Summary 2012-2016

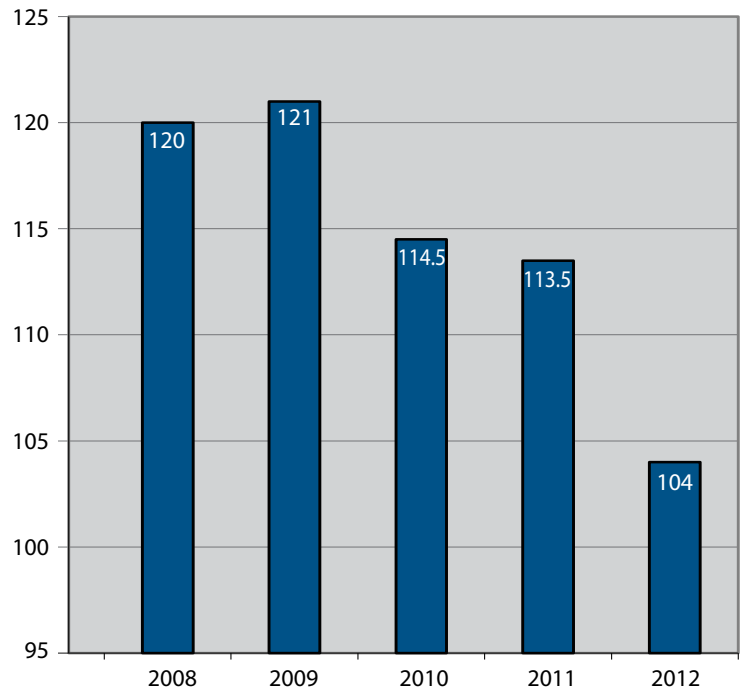


Where does property tax go?

Tax Entity	Rate	Cost
Parkway School District	3.6761	\$2,445
Ladue School District	3.1000	\$2,062
Creve Coeur Fire District	0.8930	\$594
Special School District	1.0125	\$673
County	0.5230	\$348
Community College	0.2200	\$146
Metro Zoo	0.2671	\$178
Library	0.1630	\$108
Sheltered Workshop	0.0840	\$56
City of Creve Coeur	0.0840	\$56
State	0.0300	\$20
Sewer	0.0185	\$12
Total Tax Parkway	6.9712	\$4,636
Total Tax Ladue	6.3951	\$4,253

The average Creve Coeur homeowner (\$350,000 market value house) pays \$4,253 to \$4,636 in real estate taxes, with between 1.2% and 1.5% going to the City of Creve Coeur, which is the only entity listed above that does not levy a personal property tax (2011 tax rates). Tax rates will vary based upon sewer district taxes subject to your location.

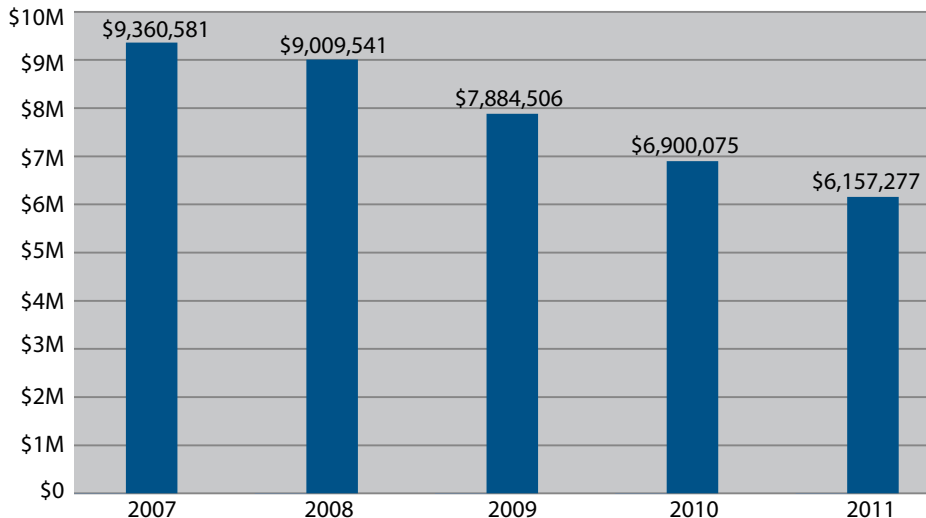
Authorized Full Time City Staff 2008-2012



Authorized full time city staff has fallen from 120 in 2008 to 104 in 2012, with decreased staffing levels occurring in all departments. Service levels have been maintained through greater use of outsourcing, regional initiatives and improved efficiency.

Outstanding Debt 2007-2011

(M=million)



City of Creve Coeur Outstanding Debt June 30, 2011

Millennium Park Debt	\$5,605,500
Capital Lease Payable	\$6,032
Compensated Absences	\$546,245
Total Debt	\$6,157,277*

**Does not include premium or deferred charges*

2004 Millennium Park Debt: Originally issued in 2000 and refinanced in 2004; provided financing for the acquisition and development of Millennium Park. This debt matures in 2020.

Capital Lease Payable: Provided funds to acquire certain office equipment for city departments.

Compensated Absences: Reflects the outstanding liability on the city's financial statement for the value of employees' accumulation of vacation time. Most of this vacation will be used during the normal course of operations during the city's fiscal year.

Creve Coeur shares sales tax with other cities, St. Louis County

Retail sales in St. Louis County are subject to a 1% local sales tax that is shared among the cities in St. Louis County and the county itself. St. Louis County is the only county in the state where sales tax sharing applies, pursuant to state legislation adopted in 1993 which identifies each city as either 'A', 'B' or 'A/B'.

'A' Cities: 'A' cities, or 'point-of-sales' cities, receive sales tax revenue generated within their city limits, but sharing applies if the average sales tax income per capita city resident exceeds the average sales tax income per capita county-wide. If Creve Coeur's per capita average exceeds the prior year's county-wide per capita average, the city shares 7.5% of the sales tax income. If Creve Coeur's per capita average exceeds the county's prior year per capita average by 25% or more, the city shares 12.5% of the sales tax income with St. Louis County for the pool. This sharing percentage continues to increase with the city per capita sales tax income.

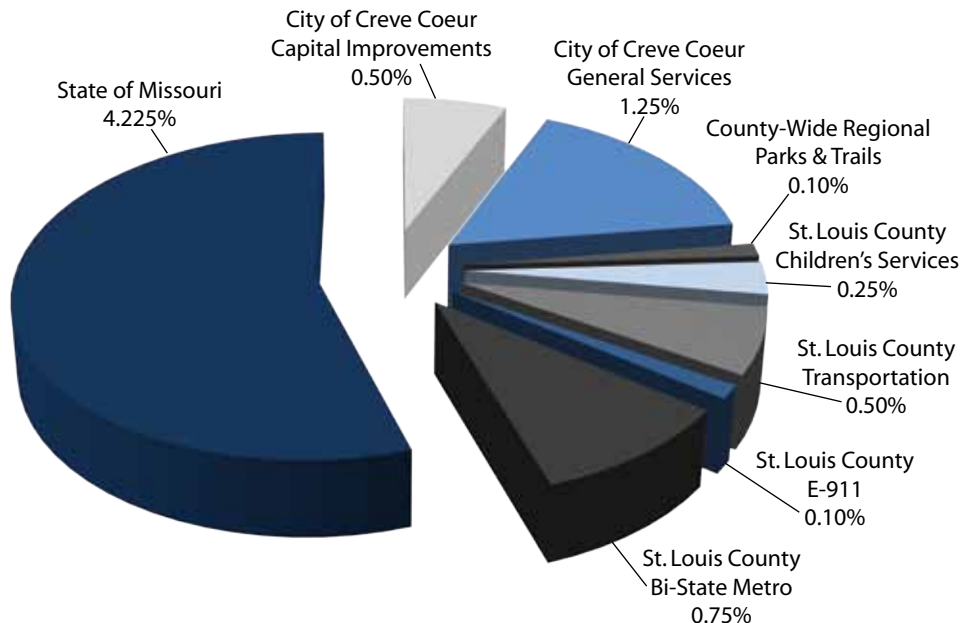
'B' Cities: 'B' cities, also called 'pool' cities, receive a population based pro-rated share of the sales tax revenue collected by St. Louis County. Newly created cities and areas annexed since the sharing formula became effective are 'B' cities.

'A/B' Cities: 'A/B' cities are those that were in existence at the time of the sharing formula are a mixture of 'A' ('point-of-sale') and 'B' ('pool').

Creve Coeur is an 'A/B' city, primarily a 'point-of-sale' ('A') city, except for parts of Ward 4 that were annexed in the 1990s, which are 'pool' ('B'). Total sales tax revenue generated in Creve Coeur last year was \$6,839,993 for both retail and capital sales tax. However, \$1,342,934 was shared with other cities under the County formula, resulting in net sales tax revenue for Creve Coeur of \$5,497,059. As a result of the sharing legislation, the City of Creve Coeur receives approximately 80% of the sales tax revenue generated by Creve Coeur businesses with the remaining 20% shared with other cities and the county.

State legislation was unsuccessfully proposed in 2011 to end sharing and thereby treat St. Louis County like other counties in the state. The St. Louis County Municipal League has been studying the issue for several months and additional legislation may be proposed in 2012 to amend the current sharing formula. Possible changes to the current system could include placing a cap on the amount

Breakdown of Sales Tax Rate



of sales tax to be shared, ending sharing for the one-quarter cent sales tax, requiring an annual audit of sharing calculations, and perhaps allow cities to move between 'A' and 'B' status every ten years.

If you have any questions about sales tax sharing, please contact Daniel Smith, Director of Finance, at 314-872-2519 or dsmith@ci.creve-coeur.mo.us.

Sales tax rate comparison

The City of Creve Coeur total sales tax is among the lowest of area cities. The rate shown below for Creve Coeur includes an additional 0.25% effective April 1, 2011.

Municipality	Sales Tax Rate
Olivette	8.425%
Des Peres	8.425%
Brentwood	8.425%
Richmond Heights	8.425%
Town & Country	8.175%
Chesterfield	7.925%
Creve Coeur	7.675%
Maryland Heights	7.425%

Note: Tax rates do not include special taxing districts, such as Transportation Development Districts (TDD).

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Planning updates *as of 12/15/2011*

Handicapped Parking Requirements

Location: All commercial parking lots throughout the city

Description: A public hearing will be held by Planning & Zoning Commission (P&Z) on January 16, 2012 to consider amendments to Chapter 405, the Zoning Ordinance of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Creve Coeur, Missouri, and other code sections regarding disabled parking. The amendments are necessitated by enactment of House Bill 555 by the Missouri Legislature in 2011, which includes changes to requirements concerning disabled parking.

Status: Following the public hearing, the P&Z may forward a positive recommendation to the City Council that night. City Council is expected to review the proposed amendments on January 23 with a final reading and passage on February 13.

Preparing for winter snow

With winter weather upon us, the Department of Public Works closely monitors the condition of our streets and will dispatch snow plows when necessary. The first priority is to clear arterial roads, such as New Ballas, Spodee and other main roads. Subdivision streets are cleared after the arterial roads are completed.

City crews use snow plows, rock salt and calcium chloride to keep the streets clear of snow and ice. To help us keep the streets clear, you can do a few simple things:

- If possible, do not park on the street. Vehicles parked on the street prohibit crews from clearing the road from curb to curb.
- Avoid shoveling snow from your driveway into the street - this can create a dangerous icy path in front of your driveway.
- Stay 100 feet behind snow plows. While the pavement behind them may appear cleared, conditions may be icy so please drive with caution.

Some streets in Creve Coeur are plowed by St. Louis County and the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT). St. Louis County is responsible for: Baur, Craig (from Olive north), Mason Road, Oak Lake Court, Ross Avenue, Schulte Road, Warson Road (north of Olive), and Whispering Pines Drive. MoDOT plows Coeur de Ville, Emerson Road (from DeSmet south to Ladue), Ladue Road (from west of I-270), Lindbergh Boulevard, North Forty Drive, Old Olive Street, Olive Boulevard and I-270. If you have questions regarding snow and ice control operations, please contact the Public Works Department at 314-872-2533.

Preventing dryer fires

Clothes dryers (electric and gas) can be found in 80 percent or 81.5 million homes throughout the United States. The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission estimates that 15,500 fires associated with clothes dryers occur annually. These fires account for an average of 10 deaths, 310 injuries and more than \$84.4 million in property damage each year.

A full load of wet clothes placed in a dryer contains about one-quarter gallon of water. As water is removed, lint is created from the clothes.

Lack of maintenance is a contributing factor to dryer fires. People do not clean the lint screen as often as they should nor are they checking and cleaning the vent system on a periodic basis. Reduced air flow resulting from lint buildup in the screen or vent system can cause the dryer to operate poorly, operate at elevated temperatures and possibly overheat. Problems also occur when dryers are vented with plastic or vinyl exhaust materials.

Simple Solutions

- Rigid or flexible metal venting and ducting materials help sustain better air flow to push lint away from the dryer.
- Clean the lint screen before or after each load.
- The interior of the dryer chassis should be cleaned periodically by qualified service personnel. Lint accumulates on the heater housing and the dryer floor. Lint that accumulates on the heater housing can easily ignite under conditions of a failed high-limit thermostat and a blocked exhaust vent.
- Clean the dryer exhaust vent system periodically, especially if you notice it is taking longer for your clothes to dry.
- Do not dry clothes/fabric on which there is anything flammable (alcohol, cooking oils, gasoline, spot removers, dry-cleaning solvents). Flammable substances give off vapors that could ignite.

For more information go to www.cpsc.gov or www.ul.com/consumers/dryers.html or contact Steve Unser, Chief Building Official at 314-872-2513 or sunser@ci.creve-coeur.mo.us.

Carbon monoxide poisoning

(Clarification on article in November 2011 Newsletter)

If anyone in your household is feeling ill and you suspect carbon monoxide poisoning, **first call 9-1-1** and your local fire department will respond. Ventilate your home by opening windows and vacate the premises. Paramedics will evaluate the exposure to carbon monoxide and coordinate medical treatment. Contact a qualified heating and ventilation service contractor to inspect your home system for possible problems.

Golf Course

11400 Olde Cabin Rd.

8:30A-5:00P, open year round/7 days a week

Call 314-432-1806 for frost schedules and tee times.

'Tis the season for golf savings

The Creve Coeur Golf Course is offering discounted winter golf rates for anyone interested in keeping their game up-to-par this season. The discount applies to all youth and adult resident and non-resident rates with new prices ranging from \$8 to \$14 per person. Standard cart fees apply. For more information and for tee times, call 314-432-1806.

Ladies Golf League Meet & Greet

Join us for coffee, tea, pastries and fun on Friday, January 27, 9-11 a.m. in the Pro Shop. Meet members from the three weekday morning ladies golf leagues. Share your ideas and plan for spring. New golfers welcome. RSVP by calling 314-432-2263.

Holiday trash/recycling

New Years Day, Sunday, January 1, 2012 falls on the weekend. There will be no change in pickup schedules.

Mid-winter limb chipping

An extra limb chipping will occur citywide the week of January 23, weather permitting.

Residents are asked to have limbs in place at the curb by 7:00 a.m. on Monday, January 23 for collection.

Limbs less than 3' long, less than 0.5" in diameter, or larger than 3" diameter cannot be chipped, but may be bundled and tagged for collection by Allied Waste on your trash day.

For more information, please contact the Public Works Department at 314-872-2533.

Election 2012: Filing for Office

The Creve Coeur General Municipal Election is April 3, 2012. Filing for office closes January 17, 2012 at 5 p.m. Candidate packets are available for pick up in the City Clerk's office located in the Government Center, 300 N. New Ballas Rd. For more information, contact 314-872-2517 or dryan@ci.creve-coeur.mo.us.

January Calendar

2	CITY OFFICES CLOSED	
3	Planning & Zoning Commission	7:00P
4	Recycling, Environment & Beautification Committee	4:30P
5	Personnel Appeals Committee	5:30P
9	City Council Work Session City Council Meeting	6:00P 7:00P
10	Tappmeyer Foundation Board <i>Tappmeyer House, Millennium Park</i>	4:00P
16	CITY OFFICES CLOSED	
17	Planning & Zoning Commission	7:00P
18	Climate Action Task Force	4:30P
19	Board of Adjustment	7:00P
23	City Council Work Session City Council Meeting	6:00P 7:00P

February Calendar

1	Recycling, Environment & Beautification Committee	4:30P
6	Planning & Zoning Commission	7:00P
8	West Central Dispatch Center Board <i>Town & Country Municipal Centre</i>	9:00A
9	Stormwater Committee	5:30P

All meetings are held at the Creve Coeur Government Center at 300 N. New Ballas Rd., unless otherwise specified.