

Williamson County, Texas Popular Annual Financial Report



**Citizen's Report
Issued by David U. Flores
Williamson County Auditor**

September 30, 2011



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David U. Flores has a BBA from Texas A&I University-Kingsville, Texas. He was a teacher and a merchant before becoming the County Auditor for Dimmit County. He served as the County Auditor for Dimmit County for 9 years from 1980 - 1988 and has since served as the County Auditor for Williamson County, having been sworn in during January of 1989. He has been a trustee for the Texas County and District Retirement System and is a past president for the Texas Association of County Auditors. Mr. Flores currently serves as the Chairman of the Investment Committee for the Texas Association of Counties.



Dear Citizens of Williamson County,

I am pleased to present the annual Williamson County Citizens' Financial Report, (also known as the Popular Annual Financial Report or "PAFR") for fiscal year ended September 30, 2011. This financial summary provides a less technical discussion of County finances. It also includes discussions of County initiatives and trends in the local economy. This important economic data presents a brief explanation of where county-wide resources come from and how they are spent; then, focusing only on the County's major funds and how they affect you, the citizen.

The Williamson County Auditor's Office has generated this Citizens' Report using financial information taken from the 2011 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) that was audited by Weaver and Tidwell, LLP, and received an unqualified opinion. An unqualified opinion indicates that the financial statements are prepared according to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and are free of material misstatement concerning the overall financial position of the County. Unlike the CAFR, this report is not presented according to GAAP and reporting standards, meaning it's a financial report that is user-friendly.

This report is not intended to replace the CAFR; it is simply presented as a means of increasing public confidence in County government. For a complete set of County financials, please refer to the CAFR, which is available from the Williamson County Auditor's Office located in the historic Williamson County Courthouse at 710 Main St., Suite #301, Georgetown, TX 78626. In addition, both the CAFR and PAFR are on the County website at www.wilco.org. I invite you to share any questions, concerns, feedback or recommendations you may have by contacting us at jkiley@wilco.org or 512/943-1500.

Respectfully submitted,

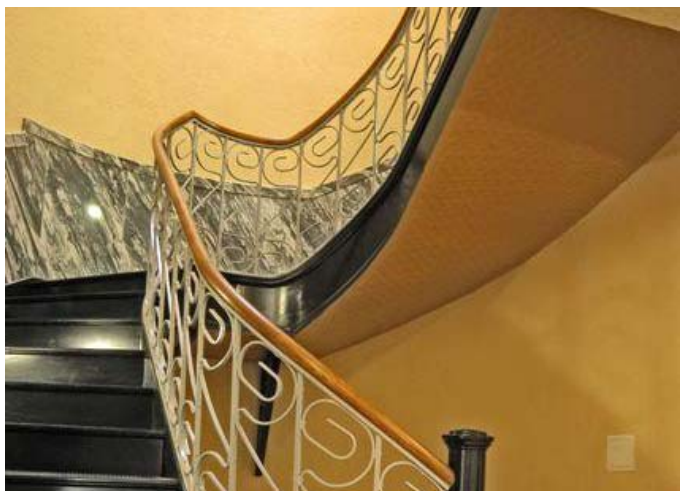
A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "David U. Flores".

David U. Flores

STEWARDS OF PUBLIC FUNDS

The Williamson County Auditor's Office is the supervisory body of County funds. Maintaining the integrity of financial administration in County government is essential and is provided by the Auditor's Office through an independent system of checks and balances. As the County's chief financial officer, it is the Auditor's responsibility to:

- Properly account for millions of dollars received by the County each year.
- Manage and account for County debt.
- By statute, audit all books and records of County officials.
- Oversight of all County Financial Records.
- Maintain Independence, Integrity and Enforce all Texas laws and regulations governing County finances.
- Act as advisor to Commissioner's Court concerning financial conditions and County policies.
- Approve and issue payments with authorized funds in conjunction with Commissioner's Court.
- Administer, report, and forecast revenues in the County budget as set by the Commissioner's Court.
- Issue payments for all County obligations through Accounts Payable, including administering the County payroll.
- Prepare the County's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) as required by law.
- Provide day to day financial information on the County web-site.
- Ensure Financial Transparency in government.



AUDITOR FUNCTIONS

There are many reasons to have a County Auditor, but the main one is to maintain the integrity of financial administration in county government. Every two years, the state District judges in Williamson County appoint the County Auditor. Because the Auditor is neither appointed by nor under the hierarchical control of the Commissioners Court, the integrity of county finances is protected by a dual system of "checks and balances."

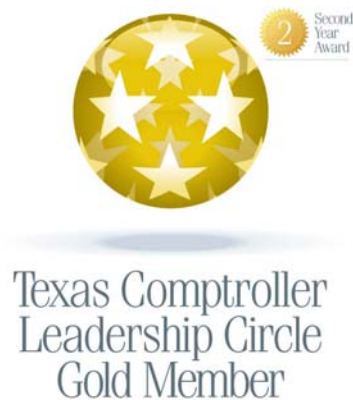
AUDITOR STAFF

The Office of the County Auditor currently consists of 26 employees acting as the "Stewards of Public Funds" in the areas of Internal Audit, Financial Accounting and Reporting, Accounts Payable and Payroll.

GOAL FOR THIS REPORT

The purpose of this report is to present an easy to read financial position of Williamson County government. We hope to instill taxpayer confidence in their government and to highlight some of the services provided to our citizens and taxpayers. We hope you find this report helpful and informative about what County government does for you.

Texas Comptroller Leadership Circle



The Comptroller of Public Accounts launched the Texas Comptroller Leadership Circle program in December 2009 to recognize local governments across Texas that are striving to meet a high standard for financial transparency online. Spotlights are placed on those local governments that are:

- opening their books to the public
- providing clear, consistent pictures of spending
- sharing information in a user-friendly format that lets taxpayers easily drill down for more information.

“Gold” highlights those entities that are setting the bar with their transparency efforts. This is the second year that Williamson County achieved Gold.

Additional details concerning the program can be found at the state website www.texas transparency.org

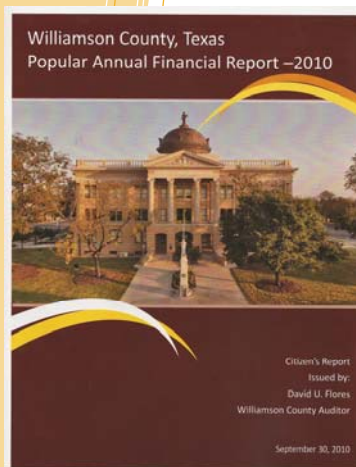
Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) has given an Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting to Williamson County for its Popular Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2010. The Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting is a prestigious national award recognizing conformance with the highest standards for preparation of state and local government popular reports.

In order to receive an Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting, a government unit must publish a Popular Annual Financial Report, whose contents conform to program standards of creativity, presentation, understandability and reader appeal.

An Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting is valid for a period of one year only. We believe our current report continues to conform to the Popular Annual Financial Reporting requirements, and we are submitting it to GFOA.

The 2010 report can also be found at www.wilco.org/Financials



Best Use of Social Media in Emergency Management



The 2011 GovFresh Awards (GFA's) honor the most innovative citizen and city and local government technology projects of the year. For its efforts in the Best Use of Social Media in Emergency Management, the Williamson County OEM placed first, edging out New York City. During the 2011 Central Texas wild fires, the OEM's efforts proved to be very successful at reaching the residents of the affected areas. They were able to address home protection concerns, ongoing wild fire activity with recommended evacuations and shelter openings along with information on lending assistance to fire victims. The number of followers on both Facebook and Twitter increased dramatically during the fires, allowing for interaction with citizens, as well as serving as a catalyst for sending

out preparedness tips. To view Emergency Management's award-winning social media sites, go to:

www.facebook.com/preparingwilco and www.twitter.com/preparingwilco.

In addition, Williamson County tied for runner up in the overall Best Use of Social Media. To view Williamson County's social media sites, go to:

www.facebook.com/wilcogov and www.twitter.com/wilcogov.

Also, Mackenzie Kelly, Office of Emergency Management, was named runner up for GFA's Public Servant of the Year for her work championing the use of social media for the OEM. Congratulations to Mackenzie for a job well done!

Pictured: Jarred Thomas (Director of the Office of Emergency Management), Commissioner Cynthia Long, Connie Watson (Public Information Officer), Mackenzie Kelly, John Sneed (Senior Director of Emergency Services), Deedra Harrison, Commissioner Valerie Covey and County Judge Dan A. Gattis.

Tax Office Receives Award for Public Sector Excellence

May 3, 2011 (Williamson County, TX) – The Williamson County Tax Office is the recipient of Tyler Technologies, Inc. 2010 Tyler Public Sector Excellence Awards for its Orion appraisal and tax solutions.

The Williamson County Tax Office worked closely with Tyler in developing software enhancements that facilitate a workflow in processing and posting individual property tax payments. The enhancement automates what was once a labor intensive process of posting payments to an individual's account. The process will save several hundred hours and thousands of dollars in labor expenses every tax season.

Deborah Hunt, Tax Assessor/Collector, states, "This award represents a significant savings to our county taxpayers in processing tax payments and allows the staff more time to serve our customers. I am very proud of the collaborative efforts between our staff and Tyler Technologies for their commitment to provide efficient solutions for our tax payment processing."

Award winners were honored Wednesday, April 27, at Tyler's 2011 Connect User Conference where Jeff Thiel (left), IT Manager, and Larry Gaddes (right), Chief Deputy, were presented with the award and given the opportunity to share their best practices and lessons learned with their public-sector peers.



(from left to right): Chief Deputy Larry Gaddes, Tax Assessor/Collector Deborah M Hunt, Office Administrator Kathryn Morehouse, Property Tax Director Geoff Lawrence and Motor Vehicle Director Alma Russell.



Williamson County—AAA/Stable

Williamson County received a AAA bond rating from both Fitch Ratings and Standard & Poor's for pass-through toll revenue and limited tax bonds, and series 2011 limited-tax refunding bonds. Standard & Poor's also affirmed its AAA long-term rating and underlying rating on the county's general obligation debt outstanding.

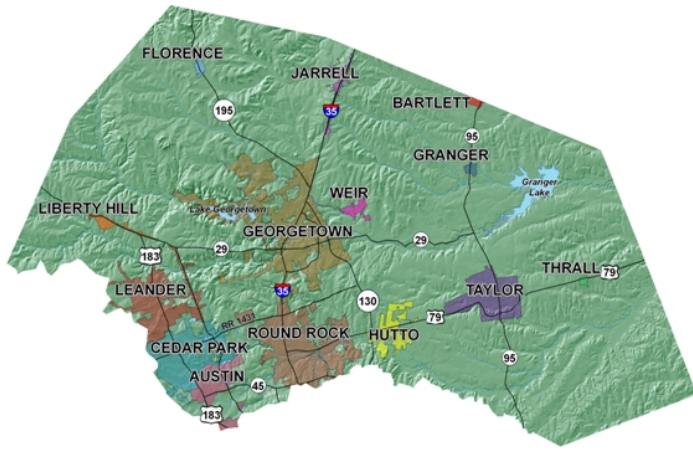
Williamson County was able to take advantage of its excellent rating to refinance debt for a lower interest rate. The County sold \$10 million pass-through financing bonds at an interest rate of 3.45%. The County also sold \$36.565 million in refunding bonds at an interest rate of 2.46%. The bonds, which are used to finance road construction and improvements, originally had an interest rate of more than 4%. "Our goal was to secure an interest rate of less than 4%, and we more than met that goal. The County's gross savings is \$2,670,000, more than our original projection of saving \$2 million," stated Williamson County Auditor David Flores.

Fitch Ratings described Williamson County as having an exemplary financial profile "benefiting from conservative fiscal stewardship and budgeting practices." They also said the County has ample reserves in a variety of funds and has a stable regional economy. Standard & Poor's stated their ratings reflected the county's "successful management of growth-related pressures" and "consistently strong financial management and very strong financial performance."

"There is a demand for quality grade investments," stated Mr. Flores. "We have that, so we were poised to be able to secure a lower interest rate that translates into savings for the taxpayer." Flores states the County's successful financial practices aren't specific to government organizations or businesses. They are the same practices any fiscally responsible household can utilize to give an individual a good credit rating. "You follow the ABC's of spending whether you are a family household or a government," says Flores.

"A is always live within your means. B is borrow money only for capital items, being something that has permanent value like a home. C is credit cards shouldn't be used to finance regular operations exceeding 30 days," says Flores. "These are the things I have taught my own children about finances, too. The tough part, for a family or organization, is sticking to it. Williamson County has been able to adhere to these practices. We have been growing our reserves since 1993, so that we now have cash to meet unforeseen expenses and to leverage in order to sell bonds for needed infrastructure."

The ratings reports are available on the County's website at www.wilco.org under the button for County Finances.



WILLIAMSON COUNTY, TEXAS

Williamson County is blessed with a mild climate offering more than 300 sunny days each year, affordable housing, a low cost of living, clean air, and beautiful scenic vistas. The County is well known for a very low crime rate and friendly, neighborly people. County taxes are among the lowest in the state for comparable counties, and, unlike most states, Texas has no state personal income tax. All these reasons make Williamson County one of the most desirable places to live and work in the United States.

COUNTY STRUCTURE AND SERVICES

Williamson County, organized in 1848, is located in the central part of the state, which is considered to be the top growth area in the state, and one of the top growth areas in the country. The County currently occupies a land area of 1,135 square miles and serves a population of 426,645. Williamson County is empowered to levy a property tax on both real and personal properties located within its boundaries.

Williamson County is a political subdivision of the State of Texas. It has no legislative powers and very restrictive judicial and administrative powers. The governing body of the County is the Commissioner's Court of five members. The County Judge is the chairman of the court and the Commissioner from each of the four precincts are also members. The Court has only such powers as are conferred upon it by the Constitution and the Statutes or by necessary implication there from.

Williamson County provides many varied services for the public it serves. Among these services are judicial, detention facilities, public safety, county roads, emergency medical service, health and limited social services, public improvements and general administrative services.

ECONOMY

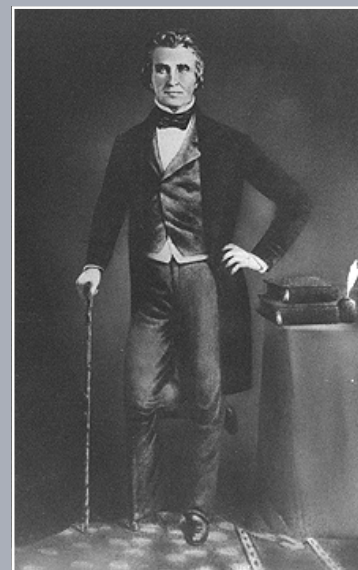
The Williamson County economy has remained resilient, compared to the rest of the nation, and is reported by economists to be one of the more stable during the recent economic downturn.

POPULATION

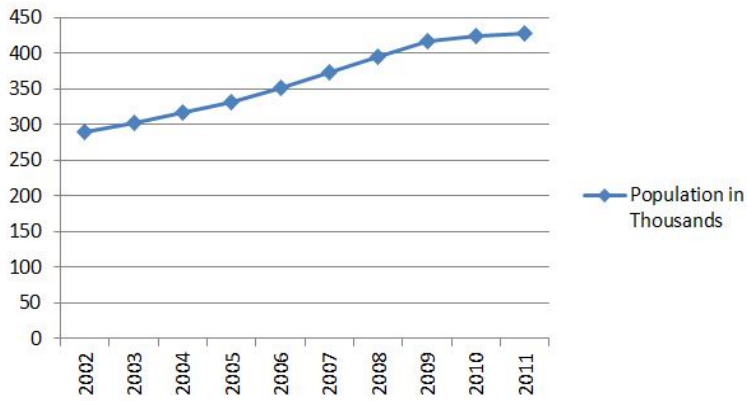
Williamson County's population ranks it 12th among 254 counties in Texas and is one of the fastest growing counties in the United States.

ROBERT M. WILLIAMSON

The County was organized in 1848 and named for Robert M. Williamson, pioneer leader and veteran of the Battle of San Jacinto. He was a newspaper publisher, lawyer, judge and state legislator. Because of a childhood illness, one of his legs was bent back and he also had a wooden leg extending from the knee, giving him the nickname "Three-Legged Willie."



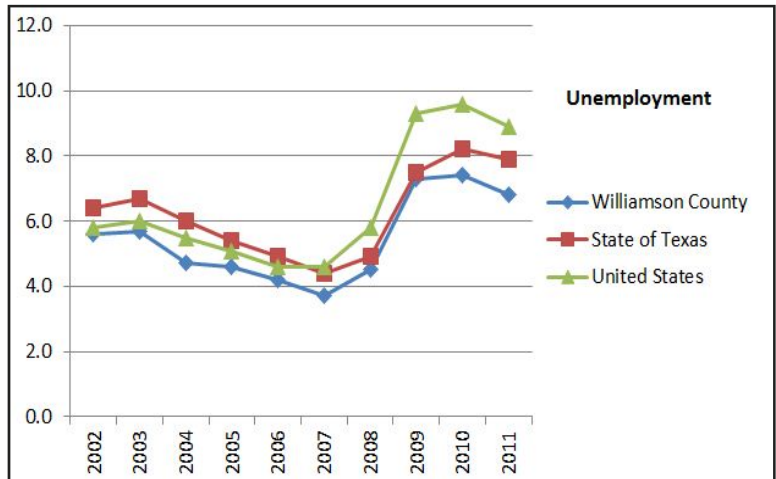
10 Year Population Growth



Williamson County has been one of fastest growing counties in the state. Since 2000, the county's population has grown by 69 percent. It is now the 12th most populous county in Texas. Williamson County's growth has been fueled by its location on the I-35 corridor and close access to Austin, Texas. The county's economic base has developed to be home to many major industries, including high tech, manufacturing, healthcare and higher education. Despite the current economy

nationwide, the regional economy remains relatively healthy. The county unemployment rate was unchanged from 7.1% in September 2010 to 7.1% in September of this year, the rate was significantly lower than the national rate for September which decreased from 9.2% in 2010 to 8.8% this year.

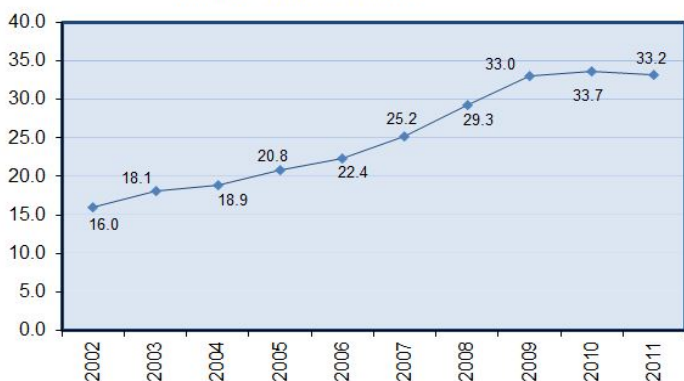
Williamson County is not insulated from the downturn of the economy. However, the county's economy is diverse which enables continued growth that outpaces the rest of the country. The county is the home of the fastest growing retirement community in the nation, Sun City Texas. The community experienced a 10% increase in new homes from 2010 to 2011. It is expected that the community will experience a 20% growth in 2012. A stable housing market, an affordable cost of living and tax advantages are the significant growth factors for the community.



The city of Round Rock approved \$7.8 million in bonds to build an indoor sports complex. It is expected to draw thousands of visitors to the city. The complex will host a variety of sports activities. The

county broke ground on a 30,000 square foot Emergency Services Operations Center. The center will house various county departments that are currently scattered throughout the county. The facility will be a hub where emergencies will be handled and officials can gather to deal with emergency situations.

Property Values - \$Billions



Principal Property Taxpayers - FY 2011			
Taxpayer	Assessed Value \$Millions	Rank	% of Total County Assessed
Dell Computer Holdings, LP	158,924,429	1	0.48%
CPG Round Rock, LP	129,332,074	2	0.39%
Oncor Electric Delivery Company	111,190,339	3	0.34%
Lakeline Developers	99,880,127	4	0.30%
Baltgem Development Corp. Et, Al.	80,275,572	5	0.24%
HEB Grocery Company LP	68,593,913	6	0.21%
Columbia/St. David Healthcare	58,545,926	7	0.18%
Dell Computer Corp.	58,199,880	8	0.18%
Amaravathi Ltd. Partnership	56,642,684	9	0.17%
Southwestern Bell Telephone	56,242,858	10	0.17%

Health care options continue to increase in the county. Scott and White announced in April 2011 the building of a new clinic in Leander. This 12,000 square foot facility opened in January 2012. Seton Medical Center Williamson has been certified a Level II Trauma Center. This means specialized medical staff and 24 hours/seven day per week accessibility are available to provide acute critical care.

Other business developments opened throughout the past year. In Taylor the first single-stream recycling facility in Central Texas opened in September 2011. Before the plant was built, companies would travel to San Antonio to take the recycling. Emerson Processing Management chose to move its headquarters to Round Rock in June 2011. This will bring 750 jobs to the area in 2012 with an additional 125 jobs over the next three years. Office Depot will open a new sales office in the county. 200 jobs are expected to be created over the next 5 years.

Williamson County is a part of the Austin-Round Rock metropolitan area. The metropolitan area continues to be a top performer in numerous national rankings. For the second consecutive year, the County was ranked the healthiest county in Texas, by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the University of Wisconsin. The City of Round Rock ranked eleventh as one of the safest cities in the US with a population greater than 100,000.

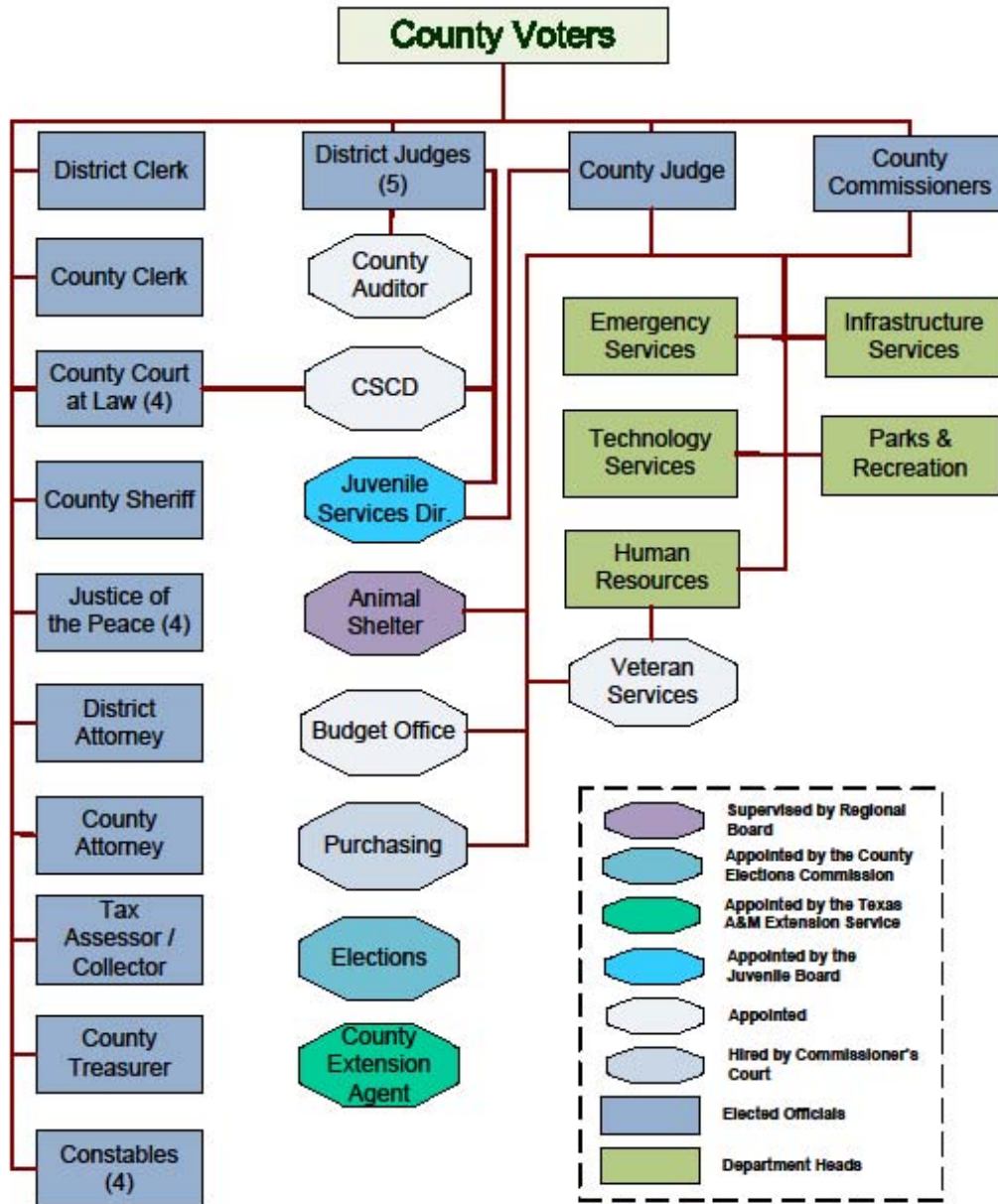
Principal Employers - FY 2011			
Employer	Number of Employees	Rank	% of Total County Employment
Dell Computer	13,000	1	6.44%
Round Rock ISD	5,808	2	2.88%
Leander ISD	3,701	3	1.83%
HEB Grocery	2,905	4	1.44%
Wal-mart and Sam's Club	1,995	5	0.99%
Georgetown ISD	1,716	6	0.85%
Williamson County	1,502	7	0.74%
Sears (Teleserve)	1,500	8	0.74%
Scott & White	1,288	9	0.64%
State Farm Mutual Auto Insurance Co.	1,214	10	0.60%

Williamson County Elected Officials:

District Judges:	<i>Billy Ray Stubblefield</i> <i>Ken Anderson</i> <i>Burt Carnes</i> <i>Michael Jergins</i> <i>Mark Silverstone</i>	Judge, 26th Judicial District Judge, 277th Judicial District Judge, 368th Judicial District Judge, 395th Judicial District Judge, 425th Judicial District
County Court at Law:	<i>Suzanne Brooks</i> <i>Tim Wright</i> <i>Doug Arnold</i> <i>John McMaster</i>	Judge, County Court at Law #1 Judge, County Court at Law #2 Judge, County Court at Law #3 Judge, County Court at Law #4
Commissioner's Court:	<i>Dan A. Gattis</i> <i>Lisa Birkman</i> <i>Cynthia Long</i> <i>Valerie Covey</i> <i>Ron Morrison</i>	County Judge Commissioner, Precinct #1 Commissioner, Precinct #2 Commissioner, Precinct #3 Commissioner, Precinct #4
Justice of the Peace:	<i>Dain Johnson</i> <i>Edna Staudt</i> <i>Steve Benton</i> <i>Judy Hobbs</i>	Justice of the Peace, Pct #1 Justice of the Peace, Pct #2 Justice of the Peace, Pct #3 Justice of the Peace, Pct #4
Constables:	<i>Robert Chody</i> <i>Richard Coffman</i> <i>Bobby Gutierrez</i> <i>Marty Ruble</i>	Constable, Precinct #1 Constable, Precinct #2 Constable, Precinct #3 Constable, Precinct #4
County Offices:	<i>John Bradley</i> <i>Jana Duty</i> <i>Lisa David</i> <i>Nancy Rister</i> <i>James Wilson</i> <i>Vivian Wood</i> <i>Deborah Hunt</i>	District Attorney County Attorney District Clerk County Clerk County Sheriff County Treasurer Tax Assessor/Collector



Organizational Chart





GOVERNMENTAL REVENUES

The County receives its funding from a variety of sources, of which the largest single source is property taxes. **Property Taxes** represent a tax on all real estate and improvements within the County. Property taxes are considered to be a general revenue source, meaning it is available to fund all programs of the County. **Fees of Office** and **Charges for Services** represent fees paid by individuals, businesses, or other governments who purchase, use, or directly benefit from the goods or services provided. **Intergovernmental** revenues include payments or donations from other governmental entities through contractual agreements under which many of the funds are restricted for use in a particular program. **Investment Earnings** consists of interest income and other income from investment activities.

Where the money to pay for County Services comes from

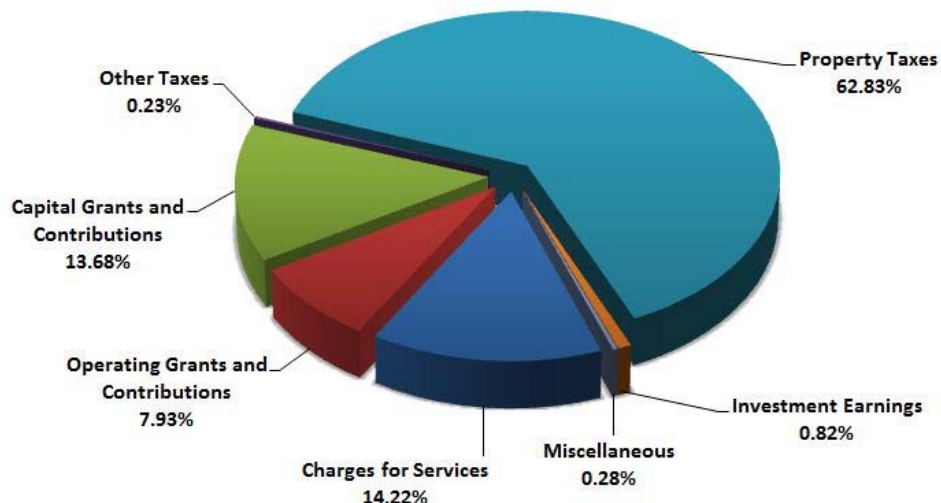
- PROPERTY TAXES
- FEES OF OFFICE / CHARGES FOR SERVICES
- FINES AND FORFEITURES
- PUBLIC AND PRIVATE GRANTING AGENCIES
- INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES
- INVESTMENT EARNINGS



	2011 \$M
Property Taxes	\$ 163.90
Charges for Services	37.09
Operating Grants and Contributions	20.69
Capital Grants and Contributions	35.70
Other Taxes	0.59
Investment Earnings	2.15
Miscellaneous	0.75
	<u>\$ 260.87</u>

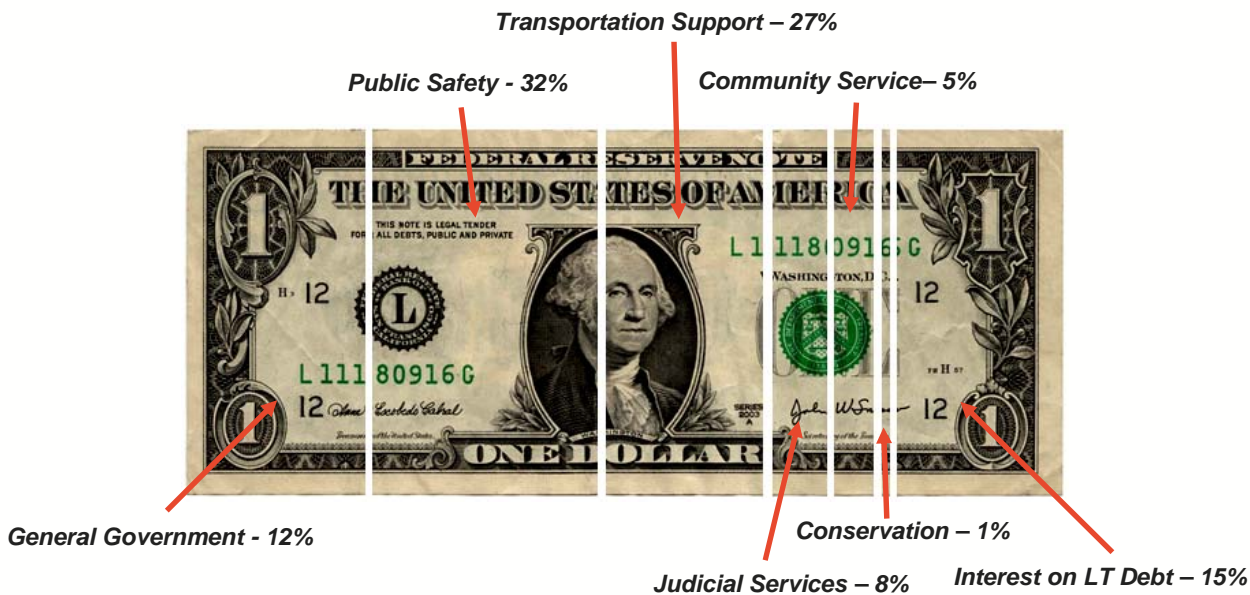
A more detailed explanation of these revenues can be found in the Financial Section of this report and in the Government-Wide Statements in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

Revenues by Source - Governmental



Where the Money Goes

General Government includes all administrative aspects of County business. Community Services consist of Veteran Services, Public Health, Parks, the Recycling Center, Agriculture Extension Service and the Regional Animal Shelter. Debt Service pays off the bonds issued for the construction of major projects.



GOVERNMENTAL EXPENDITURES

	2011 \$M
General Government	\$ 28.27
Public Safety	78.21
Transportation Support	65.35
Judicial Services	19.99
Community Services	11.72
Conservation	0.25
Interest on L/T Debt	37.59
	<u>\$ 241.38</u>

Law Enforcement

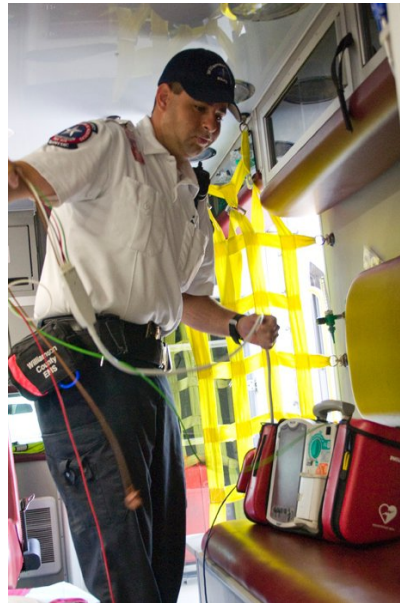
- COUNTY SHERIFF
- COUNTY JAIL
- COUNTY CONSTABLES (4 Precincts)
- JUVENILE SERVICES
- VICTIM ASSISTANCE
- CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM

Emergency Services

- EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
- HAZ-MAT
- OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
- 911 COMMUNICATIONS
- RADIO COMMUNICATIONS
- MOBILE OUTREACH

Judicial Branch

- 5 DISTRICT COURTS
- 4 COUNTY COURTS
- 4 JUSTICE COURTS
- DISTRICT ATTORNEY
- COUNTY ATTORNEY
- DISTRICT CLERK
- COUNTY CLERK



Community Services

- VETERAN SERVICES
- PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE
- PARKS AND RECREATION
- WILLIAMSON MUSEUM
- RECYCLING CENTER
- AGRICULTURE EXTENSION SERVICE
- REGIONAL ANIMAL SHELTER



General Government

- COUNTY JUDGE
- COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (4 Precincts)
- COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR
- COUNTY TREASURER
- COUNTY AUDITOR
- FACILITY MAINTENANCE
- ELECTIONS
- HUMAN RESOURCES
- INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
- PURCHASING





Major Capital Projects Annual Expenditures FY 2011

Project Name	\$M	Type
Brushy Creek Road	\$3.1	Road
Business 79 Drainage @ Taylor	\$2.8	Road
Emergency Operation Service Center	\$1.3	Building
Hero Way	\$1.5	Road
Kenney Fort Boulevard	\$3.1	Road
O'Connor Boulevard	\$3.7	Road
SH 45/O'Connor Exchange	\$7.9	Road
Public Safety Technology (PTSP)	\$1.5	Other
Ronald Reagan Boulevard Phase III	\$3.7	Road
Ronald Reagan Boulevard Phase IV	\$2.2	Road
Southwest Regional Park Splash Pad	\$1.5	Park
Williams Drive	\$4.9	Road
US 79 Section 5A	\$2.9	Road
US 79 Section 3	\$9.8	Road
US 183 San Gabriel to SH 29	\$8.4	Road
FM 2338 FM 3405 Reagan Blvd	\$6.5	Road





Opened in Summer 2011:

The new Splash Park at The Williamson County Southwest Regional Park in Leander has bubbling geysers, water jets and waterfalls. It's summer time fun for kids of all ages. You can find more Information and hours of operations by visiting: www.wilco.org/Parks.

This project is part of a county-wide bond election that voters approved in 2006.



Scheduled to Open in Summer of 2013:

Williamson County is moving forward with the construction of a \$12 million dollar facility that will house Wilco's emergency response agencies as well as provide a Center of Operations in times of local emergencies. The Emergency Services Operations Center will have about 30,000 square feet of space for 911 Communications, Emergency Management, HazMat, a division of the Sheriff's Office and a division of the Williamson County and Cities Health Department.



The *Statement of Activities* provides readers with an overview of money received and spent during the year in the County *as a whole*, in an approach similar to a private-sector business. Explanations of these accounts are provided as a tool to understanding these activities.

Money Received

Property taxes come from three different sources: taxes for general purposes (\$.289999), taxes for road & bridge purposes (\$.03) and taxes for debt service (\$.17) to repay debt of the County. The total tax rate for 2011 was \$.489999 per \$100 value and was composed by the total of these three purposes.

Charges for Services are monies received from the public when the County performs a service to the citizens, such as, Emergency Medical Services. Operating Grants & Contributions is money the County receives from other governmental agencies, corporations, and private contributors. Investment Earnings is interest earned on County investments. Miscellaneous is money received that does not fit in the above-mentioned accounts but are still classified as revenue.

Services Rendered

This is money spent to provide services to citizens.

See pages 11 - 13 of this report for a detailed explanation of what services are included in each of the categories: General Government, Public Safety, Transportation Support, Judicial Services and Community Service.



Decreases in Tax Revenues is due to decreased property values combined with tax rates held constant with 2010 rates, below the Effective Tax Rate calculation which keeps the total tax levy constant from year-to-year.

Capital Grants & Contributions decreased significantly because revenues are directly tied with construction activities on the pass through financing program with the Texas Department of Transportation. Project costs this year focused on County projects rather than the pass through program.

The decrease in Community Services is due primarily to decreases in costs for indigent services (health care and legal defense).

Williamson County Financial Activity Statement		
Money Received	2011	2010
Property Taxes:		
Levied for general purposes	\$96,497,886	\$97,632,658
Levied for road & bridge	\$10,063,148	\$10,135,443
Levied for debt service	\$57,347,077	\$57,980,103
Other taxes	\$594,840	\$577,272
Charges for Services	\$37,087,120	\$36,531,086
Operating grants & contributions	\$20,693,428	\$24,856,142
Capital grants & contributions	\$35,698,166	\$65,403,950
Investment earnings	\$2,149,871	\$5,704,603
Miscellaneous	738,701	946,945
Total Money Received	\$260,870,237	\$299,768,202
Services Rendered		
General Government	\$28,267,782	\$26,637,924
Public Safety	\$78,208,556	\$75,872,505
Transportation Support	\$65,354,413	\$67,938,312
Judicial	\$19,997,874	\$20,022,346
Community Services	\$11,714,612	\$17,361,323
Conservation	\$247,844	\$219,592
Interest on long-term debt	37,591,938	38,843,957
Total Services Rendered	\$241,383,019	\$246,895,959
Monies Received over Services Rendered	\$19,487,218	\$52,872,243

Condensed Statement of Net Assets		
Assets	2011	2010
Current Assets	\$648,025,112	\$584,814,729
Capital Assets	\$454,850,142	\$438,355,061
Total Assets	\$1,102,875,254	\$1,023,169,790
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities	\$27,324,296	\$26,002,461
Noncurrent Liabilities	\$868,898,278	\$810,001,867
Total Liabilities	\$896,222,574	\$836,004,328
Net Assets		
Invested in Capital Assets, net of Related Debt	\$210,678,161	\$176,951,689
Restricted	\$45,121,020	\$154,293,857
Unrestricted	(\$49,146,501)	(\$144,080,084)
Total Net Assets	\$206,652,680	\$187,165,462

Financial Position Statement shown does not conform to generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The purpose of this presentation is to provide the citizen with a summarized version of the information contained in the County's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).

This statement includes all funds to provide an overall picture of County-wide finances. Net Assets refers to the purchase costs of County assets less the accumulated depreciation of those assets.

Benefits

Current Assets include:

- Cash on-hand to pay obligations
- Accounts Receivable
- Prepaid items / Inventory

Capital Assets include:

- Land / Buildings
- Infrastructure
- Equipment
- Construction in Progress

Obligations

Current Liabilities include:

- Accounts Payable
- Accrued Liabilities
- Unearned Revenue
- Accrued Interest Payable

Non-current Liabilities are items that are due in more than one year.

Net Assets

Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt represents the value of assets less depreciation and the associated outstanding debt incurred to purchase that asset.

Restricted Assets include:

- Debt Service
- Road & Bridge
- Conservation Foundation
- Tobacco Fund
- Other purposes that limit the use of certain assets

Unrestricted Net Assets are items that do not have to be held for specific reasons.



**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures
and Changes in Fund Balance
Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2011**

Revenue	
Taxes	\$97,115,410
Fees of Office	9,067,239
Fines & Forfeitures	4,233,594
Charges for Services	12,716,307
Intergovernmental	2,540,908
Investment Income & Other	849,038
Total Revenue	\$126,522,496
Expenditures	
Current:	
General Government	\$22,355,582
Public Safety	64,594,518
Judicial	17,311,620
Community Services	4,999,807
Lease Principal and Interest	185,486
Capital Outlay	2,095,588
Total Expenditures	\$111,542,601
Excess of Revenues over Expenditures	\$14,979,895
Other Financing Sources (Uses)	
Transfers In	\$192,828
Transfers Out	(5,865,704)
Capital Lease Issued	0
Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	177,149
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	-\$5,495,727
Net Change in Fund Balances	\$9,484,168
Fund Balance, Beginning	60,317,890
Fund Balance, Ending	\$69,802,058

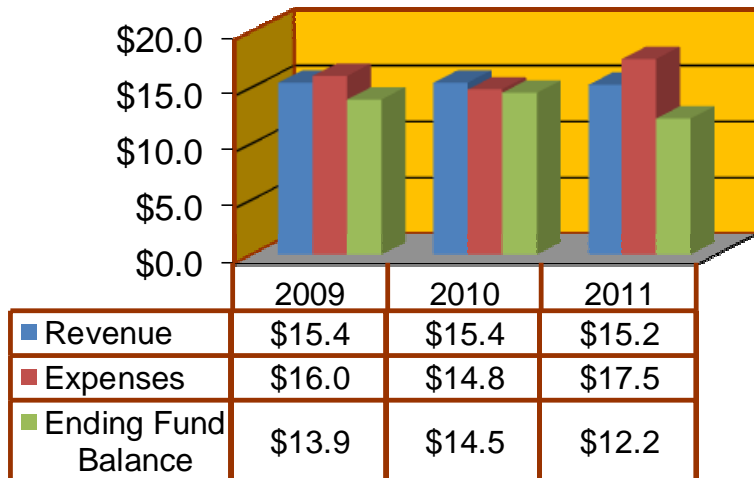
The General Fund is the main operating fund of the County, which includes services to citizens such as protection of life (law enforcement and 911 communications) and community services (parks and public welfare). Collection of taxes is the largest source of funds for Williamson County, totaling 76.7% in 2011. Citizens paid \$.289999 per \$100 property value for General Fund purposes. The next largest source of funds was from charges for services and fees of office, totaling 17.2% of total revenue.

The largest portion of total expenditures was spent on public safety for our citizens, totaling 57.9% in 2011. The money was used for things such as emergency vehicles, juvenile services, and EMS. The next largest share of money spent was on general government, totaling 20.0%. The County affects each and every citizen from birth certificates, to public records, to vehicle registration, to voter registration, collection of taxes, marriage licenses, and all the way through to death certificates.

Other Financing Sources (Uses) are amounts transferred in or out of the General Fund from or to other Governmental Funds in order to facilitate other County business or projects. In 2011, \$5.8 million was transferred out of the General Fund to pay for indigent health care, county-wide emergency radio communications and the Williamson County Regional Animal Shelter.

A positive General Fund Balance is an indicator of a healthy operating environment. Due to sound fiscal management, Williamson County's General Fund

Balance has continuously increased over the last 10 years by a total of \$50 million. The County's fiscal plan is to have 30% of total annual operating expenditures (approximately 4 months) in the fund balance at any given time. Any excess fund balance over this goal should be limited to the use of one-time, extraordinary items, thus reinforcing the fiscal discipline of funding annual costs from annual revenues. Some examples of extraordinary items include but are not limited to tax rate stabilization, capital improvement needs and reduction of debt. Fund balance is a vital component used by financial institutions in analyzing and determining the County's bond ratings. A high bond rating leads to lower costs, thus resulting in lower taxes for citizens.



Road and Bridge Fund

The Road & Bridge Fund is a special revenue fund used to account for money received from taxes, vehicle registration and rebates from the State of Texas. Expenditures in this fund are for maintenance and construction of County roads and bridges.

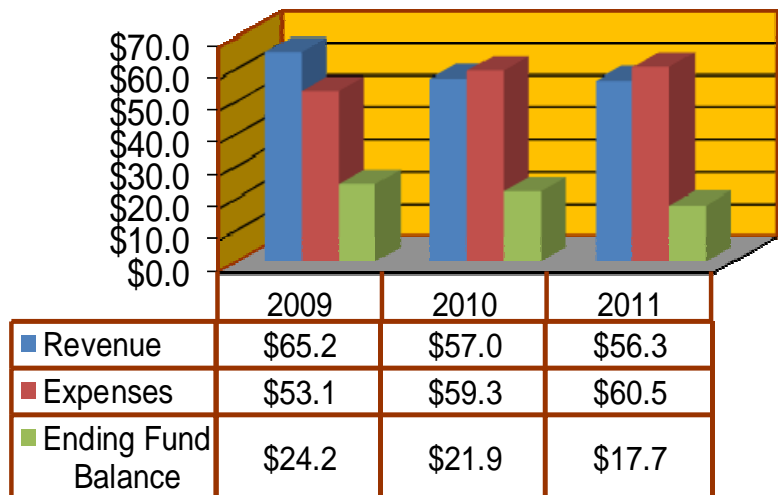
The chart provided illustrates the fund's revenue, expenses, and ending fund balance over the past three years.

Debt Service Fund

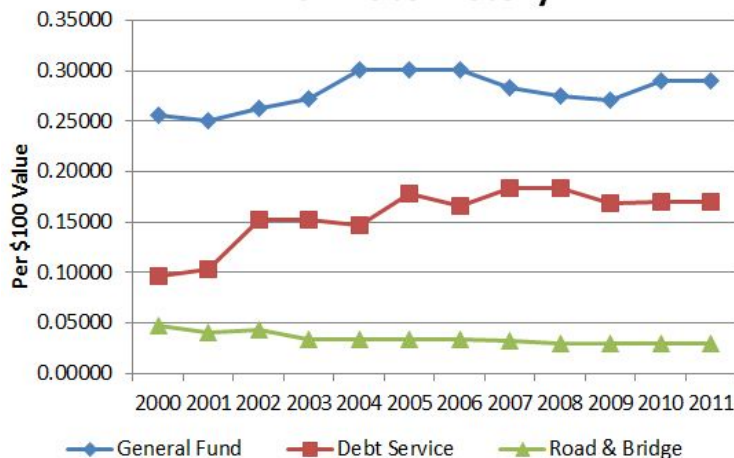
The Debt Service Fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and payment of, general long-term debt, principal, interests and costs.

In order to fulfill the demands of a growing economy, the County is in need of new infrastructure that required new issuance of debt this year. Existing debt was also refinanced saving taxpayers in future interest costs.

The chart shown here compares revenues, expenditures and fund balance over the last three years.



Tax Rate History



Tax Rate

Williamson County determines tax rates in three areas: the General Fund, Debt Service, and Road & Bridge. Therefore, existing debt is a factor in the County's tax rate. The 2011 tax rate was \$.489999 per \$100 value and was separated as follows: \$.289999 for General Fund, \$.17 for Debt Service, and \$.03 for Road and Bridge. The graph shown here reflects the increases in taxes by each source since 2000 when the total tax rate was \$.4000. The majority of this \$.0899 increase in the last 12 years is from the \$350 million voter-authorized debt for road improvements and parks in 2000 and 2006. The 2010 Tax Rate was adopted for Fiscal Year 2011.

Looking Forward

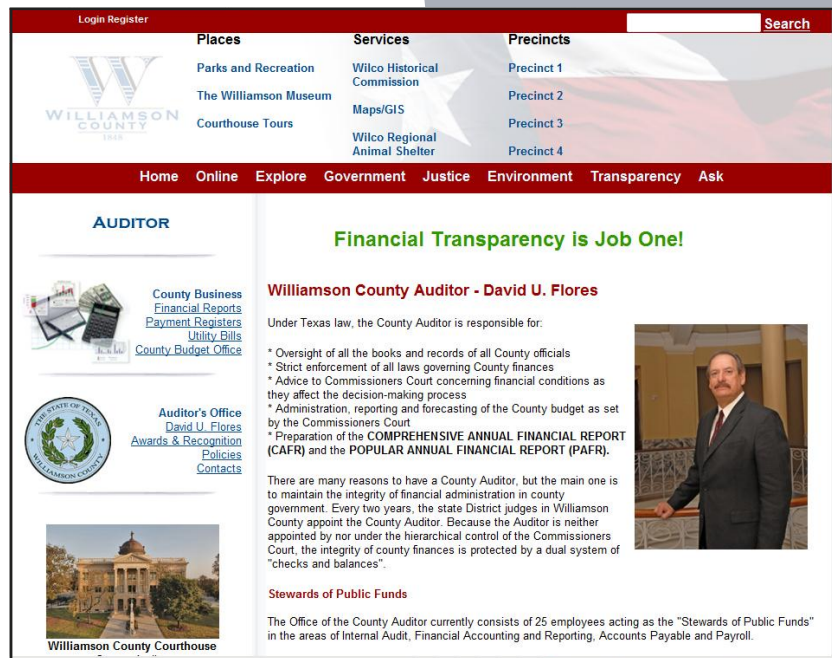
“We are still looking at growth even though the rest of the country is in a recession,” said David Flores, County Auditor. County Judge Dan A. Gattis also cited Williamson County’s robust economy as an alluring quality. “We’re very fortunate we still have growth. The previous court and this court have been pretty prudent in maintaining cash-ending, or savings, that we can use to stabilize our budget. We’re going to come through this recent economic downturn looking very good,” Judge Gattis said.

Another indication that the County’s economy has been comparatively healthy was the U.S. Bureau of the Census report that Williamson County grew in population by 69% in the last decade to 426,645 making it 12th among the states most populous counties. It is the fastest growing of the state’s top 20 counties.

Per Judge Gattis, “Williamson County government’s past commitment to provide quality services and infrastructure has promoted and enabled the exploding growth seen in recent years. Our continued pledge to maintain these programs and develop new ones as needed will hopefully increase property values, decrease taxes, further improve services and provide an excellent place to live for all of our citizens.”

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- Growing Population
 - Increasing Property Values
 - Outstanding Credit
 - Award-Winning Technologies
 - Outstanding Infrastructure Development
 - Beautiful, Well-Maintained Parks
 - Adequate Cash Reserves
 - Stable Tax Rates
 - Long Term Planning
 - Financial Sustainability
 - Quality Public Services
 - Strong Concern for the Environment
 - Responsible Animal Control
 - Lower Average Unemployment
 - Excellent Quality of Life!

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