



# 2011 ANNUAL REPORT





Dear Citizens of St. Tammany Parish,

It is a great honor to write this letter as your Parish President. Thank you for the opportunity you have given me to serve you. I will build on the strong foundation Kevin Davis laid over his 12 year tenure and from that base, move forward to shape a government that serves the people: a government that works today, tomorrow and for many years into the future.

Under my administration, your government will be committed to Customer Service, Transparency, Accountability and Cooperation. We have made, and are making, changes in support of these initiatives, such as the "Ask Pat" Question & Answer available on the home page of the parish website. If you ask, I will answer. We are also beginning a website re-design to make finding information on our site easier.

My administration is also committed to pro-active Economic Development. We need to work as hard as we can to bring business to our community. I want a job available for everyone who wants to work.

The Annual Report is a way to look back over the accomplishments of 2011.

Some of the projects that stand out the most for 2011 include:

**Fishing Pier** – While not open to the public yet, the construction of the fishing pier is nearly complete. We expect to be open at some point in the spring of 2012.

**Suicide Prevention** – The Suicide Prevention Program initiated last year with our partners is continuing and hopefully expanding this year. We are in the process of recording some new public service announcements which will target our area and our population.

**Hwy 21 Improvements** – While much of the work on Highway 21 in Covington has been completed, we are still seeing some improvements to intersections and connecting roads in the area. The Covington Bypass Road connecting Ochsner Blvd/Hwy 21 to Hwy 1085/Bootlegger Road is open to the public, and provides some needed relief to the Hwy 21 corridor.

**Slidell Levee** – We are continuing to make progress both in construction and in planning future segments of the Slidell Levee Protection plan. A segment from Hwy 11 to the Norfolk Southern Railroad and a segment from I-10 to the Northshore Estates Ring Levee were both completed in 2011. Two additional segments in the Schneider Canal pumping station area and the Oak Harbor Ring Levee area should begin and complete construction this year.

Pat Brister,

Parish President

This is a summary of the St. Tammany Parish Annual Report for 2011. To reduce costs, we are printing this abbreviated version of the report. The full report is available on-line at [www.stpgov.org](http://www.stpgov.org).

## ST. TAMMANY PARISH ANNUAL REPORT 2011



PAT BRISTER, PARISH PRESIDENT

Parish Council 2012-2016 with President Pat Brister



Outgoing Council Members 2011



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District 14



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District 2



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District 6



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### Selected Major Accomplishments 2011:

- Completed Covington Bypass Road Construction, a \$3.2MM connector road from Hwy 21 to Bootlegger Road.
- Completed Haas Road Widening Project, a \$1.5MM widening and overlay project in Slidell.
- Completed a \$1.5MM Widening and Overlay project of Pearl Acres Road in Slidell.
- Completed a \$.7MM turn lane project on Brownswitch and Military Road in Slidell.
- Completed \$.7MM project for extension of Koop Drive East.
- Completed \$.75MM overlay of Million Dollar Road.
- Completed \$.5MM road extension and turn lane project at U. S. 190 & Summit Blvd.
- Completed \$1.8MM Segment 3B of the Slidell Levee project.
- Completed all right of way acquisitions and receipt of USACE permit for construction of Airport Road Connector, a \$13MM 4.5 mile road connecting Airport Rd. & Hwy 11 in Slidell.
- Completed \$.5MM right turn lane project at U.S. 190 and Northpark Office Park.
- Completed \$.4MM road called Cozy Lane near Tantela Ranch Road.
- Completed upgrade of the Parish's Stream Gauge Management System including formal policies/procedures for information management continuity.
- Improved the Parishwide NFIP CRS Rating from 9 to >7, saving Parish residents \$1.75MM in flood insurance premiums annually.
- Revised Subdivision Ordinance #499 to provide for more stringent drainage and roadway construction requirements resulting in more effective drainage and roadway durability.
- Completed the Parish's Coastal Restoration Master Plan, a proposed roadmap to coastal wetland restoration.
- Revised and updated Tammany Utilities comprehensive Emergency Operations Plan.
- Rehabilitated (cleaning and re-coating) of three (3) water storage vessels including the 300,000 gallon elevated storage tank at Diversified Foods.
- 22,712 Video On Demand views by the public of available programming via the parish website.
- Launched kidsARTkonnection, a series of seasonal, interactive arts and cultural activities designed for kids to attend during school holidays.
- Conducted training on Weapons of Mass Destruction for First Responders and Medical personnel in the parish.
- Worked with 911 and fire districts to update/correct and validate street centerlines and addresses.
- Reopened the Towers Building in Slidell.
- Restored Memorial Arch at Parish Fairgrounds.
- Received eighth Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GOFA).



### Projects Currently Under Construction

- Abita River Sub Basin Detention
- Airport Rd. Connector - Phase 1
- Airport Rd. Connector - Phase 2A clearing & grubbing
- Bayou Chinchuba Detention Pond
- I-10 Southwest Frontage Rd. Extension
- Covington By-Pass South (21 to Bootlegger)
- Cypress Bayou
- Koop Dr. Extension East
- Krentel Rd. @ Hwy 434 and Fish Hatchery
- Labarre St. Drainage Improvements
- Lowe Pond Canal Erosion: West Cherry Wood Lane Lateral
- Polders Ln.
- South Slidell Levee Segment 3B
- St. Tammany Parish Fishing Pier
- US 190 (Fremaux @ Summit Blvd.)
- Voters Rd. @ LA 433 Improvements (Parish Portion of Project)

### 2012 Capital Projects to start in 2012

- French Branch Internal Subdivision Improvements
- Interoperable Communications Tower
- Little Bayou Castine Drainage Improvements
- Cloverland Acres Drainage Improvements
- Reno Hills Sewer and Water Improvements
- Ben Thomas Rd. Sewer and Water Improvements
- East Howze Beach Rd. Raising
- Holiday Square Blvd. Turn Lane
- Huntwyck Village Drainage Improvements - Phase 1
- I-59 NB off-ramp @ Military Signalization
- LA 59 / LA 1088 Turn Lane
- 84 Lumber Rd. Connector, New Road
- Military @ Cleo Intersection Improvements
- Old Military Rd. Turn Lane



St. Tammany Fishing Pier

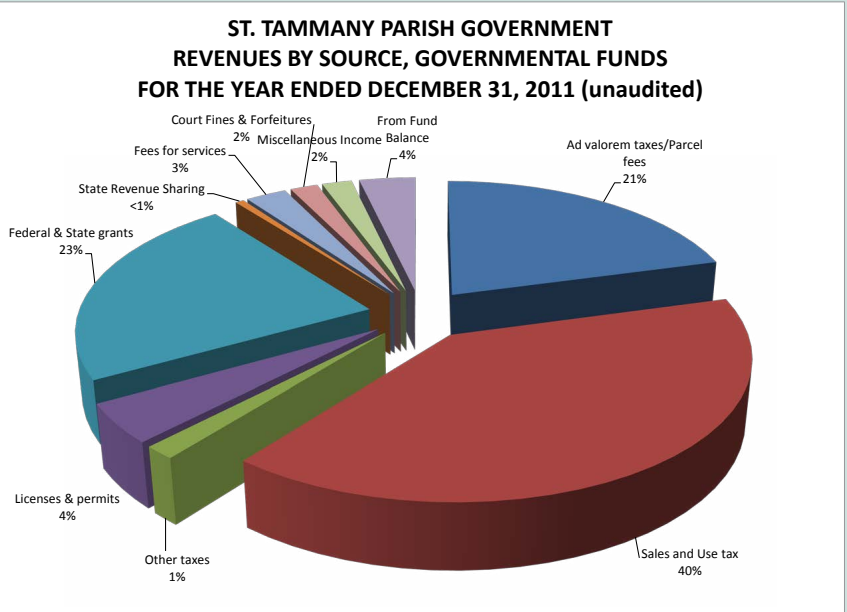


Schneider Canal Pump Station

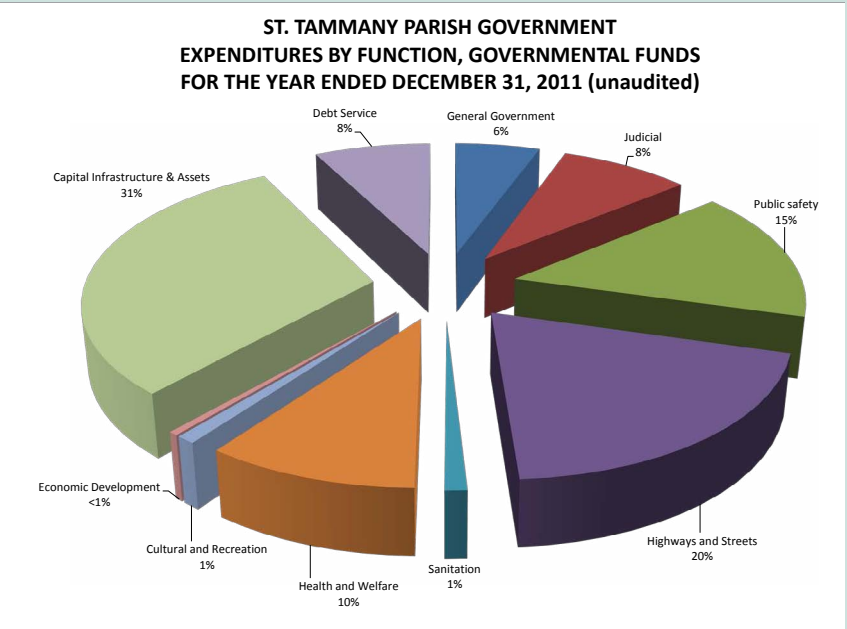
- Schneider Canal Back Flow Protection
- Timber Branch Pond
- LA 59 @ Lonesome Rd.
- LA 59 @ Sharp Rd.
- Oak Harbor Blvd.-concrete panels
- Brownswitch Rd. Widening (inc. drainage)
- Bogue Chitto Watershed Study
- Crossgates Drainage Study
- Hidden Oaks Ln.
- Lapin St. (Quail Creek & Forestbrook) Ponds and Drainage Improvements
- Tenet Pond W-15 Drainage Improvements
- Francis @ Covington Bypass
- Sharp Rd. Drainage Improvements
- Eddins Canal Drainage Improvements
- Ben Thomas Rd. Detention Pond

PARISH FINANCES

12/31/2011



| St. Tammany Parish Revenue    |               |
|-------------------------------|---------------|
| Ad valorem taxes/parcel fees  | \$27,870,530  |
| Sales and use tax             | 53,584,830    |
| Other taxes                   | 2,045,375     |
| Licenses and permits          | 6,129,280     |
| Federal and state grants      | 30,396,614    |
| State revenue sharing         | 740,840       |
| Fees and charges for services | 3,525,262     |
| Court fines and forfeitures   | 2,383,796     |
| Miscellaneous                 | 2,580,331     |
| Fund Balance                  | 4,867,754     |
| Total                         | \$134,124,612 |



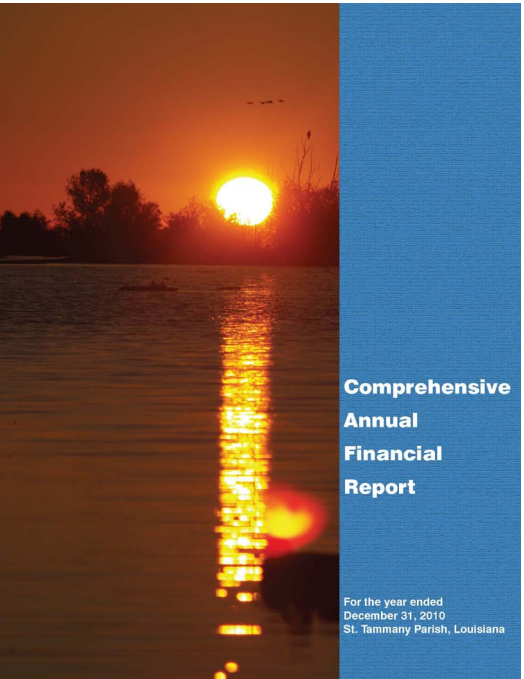
| St. Tammany Parish Expenditures       |               |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| General government                    | \$7,433,146   |
| Judicial                              | 11,407,238    |
| Public Safety                         | 20,651,526    |
| Highways and streets                  | 26,306,793    |
| Sanitation                            | 1,418,396     |
| Health and welfare                    | 13,428,878    |
| Cultural and recreation               | 1,236,793     |
| Economic development                  | 588,053       |
| Capital outlay, Infrastructure assets | 41,479,136    |
| Debt service                          | 10,174,653    |
| Total                                 | \$134,124,612 |

| GENERAL FUND REVENUES                      | 12/31/11<br>(Unaudited) |
|--|-------------------------|
| Ad Valorem                                 | \$4,014,866             |
| Other Taxes, Penalties and Interest        | 1,947,973               |
| Licenses                                   | 3,451,748               |
| Permits                                    | 1,446,470               |
| Other Federal Funds                        | 46,065                  |
| State Revenue Sharing                      | 286,557                 |
| Other State Funds                          | 5,589                   |
| Fees, Charges and Commissions for Services | 516,995                 |
| Fines and Forfeitures                      | 93,774                  |
| Other Revenues                             | 568,668                 |
| From Fund Balance                          | 621,749                 |
| Total Revenues                             | \$13,000,454            |

| GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES                    | 12/31/11<br>(Unaudited) |
|--|-------------------------|
| Planning Department                          | \$855,891               |
| Permits Department                           | 1,229,822               |
| Cultural and Governmental Affairs            | 735,762                 |
| Commission on Cultural Affairs               | 86,743                  |
| Facilities Management Department             | 133,219                 |
| Fairgrounds Maintenance                      | 67,767                  |
| 22nd Judicial District Court                 | 1,875,054               |
| Ward Courts-Justice of the Peace & Constable | 209,495                 |
| District Attorney's Office                   | 2,024,676               |
| Registrar of Voters Office                   | 191,571                 |
| Assessor's Office                            | 2,366                   |
| Parish Jail Maintenance Administration       | 79,366                  |
| Legal Department                             | 567,850                 |
| Code Enforcement                             | 313,449                 |
| Economic Development                         | 55,805                  |
| Veterans Affairs                             | 87,264                  |
| Camp Salmen Nature Park                      | 241,459                 |
| Federal Programs Administration              | 69,972                  |
| Greater St. Tammany Airport                  | 94,188                  |
| General Expenditures                         | 889,012                 |
| Parish Administration                        | 3,189,723               |
| Total Expenditures                           | \$13,000,454            |

General Fund

The Parish’s General Fund accounts for all financial transactions except those required to be accounted for in special revenue or another type of fund. This includes state mandated expenses such as personnel for the 22nd JDC, District Attorney and Registrar of Voters. The main source of funding for the General Fund is property taxes, permit fees, occupational licenses and fees.





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