

Community Services

Summary

Guilford County's Community Services departments promote orderly community growth and development, encourage economic development and job creation, provide outlets for recreation and life skills education, and protect the environment.

Community Services departments include:

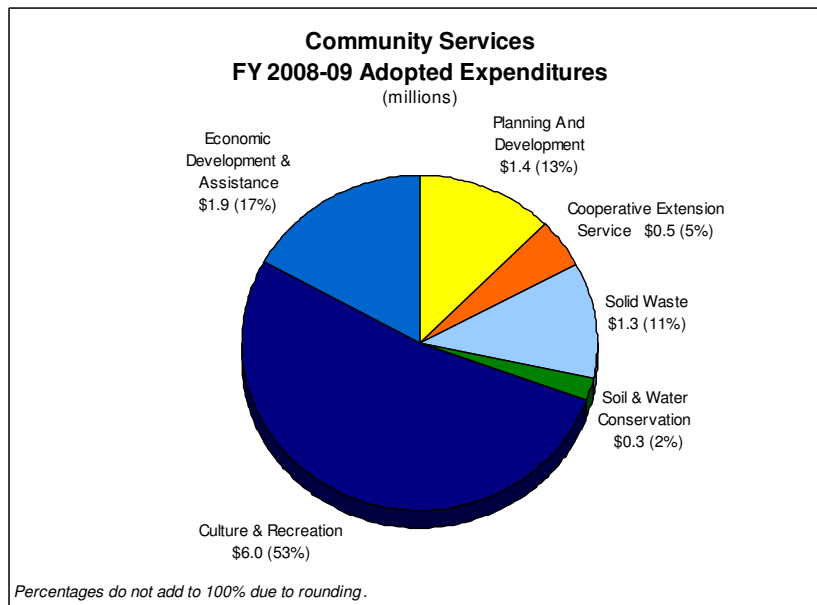
- Cooperative Extension
- Planning
- Soil & Water Conservation
- Economic Development
- Community Development
- Culture & Recreation
- Solid Waste

Expenditures

Guilford County will spend \$11,458,360 for Community Services in Fiscal Year 2008-09, an increase of 8.6% (\$909,591) from the FY 2007-08 adopted budget. Community Services accounts for approximately 2% of total expenditures for FY 2008-09.

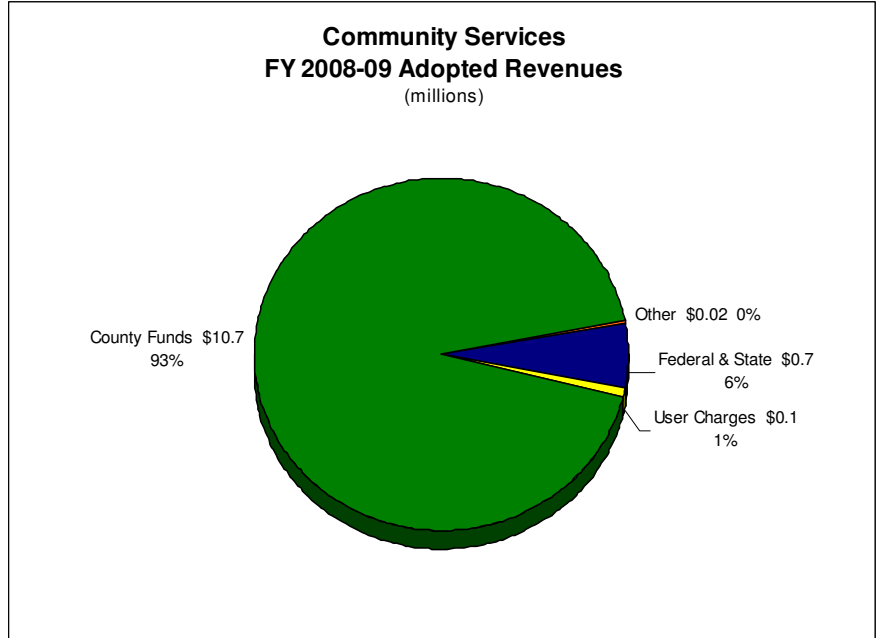
Approximately \$576,000 of the proposed increase is related to Board of Commissioners approved commitments within the Economic Development Incentive program, and additional Parks & Recreation expenses related to the opening of Southwest Park in 2009 and the acceptance of Hagan-Stone Park from the City of Greensboro. The FY 2008-09 budget also provides funding for the full-year operation of the new Northeast Park, and maintains funding for library services at their current levels.

The adopted budget also includes an increase of \$250,000 to help fund the following community arts programs: the Arts Council of Greater Greensboro, the High Point Area Arts Council, the Atelier Museum, and the North Carolina Shakespeare Festival.



Revenues

Most (93%) of Community Services' programs are funded from general County funds. Fees & Charges and Federal & State revenues comprise the remaining funds.



	FY 2006-07	Adopted FY 2007-08	Amended FY 2007-08	Adopted FY 2008-09	Change vs. Adopted	
					\$	%
Departments						
Planning And Development	\$ 1,162,505	\$ 1,407,070	\$ 1,600,736	\$ 1,441,392	\$ 34,322	2.4%
Community & Economic Dev*	\$ 589,328	\$ -	\$ 10,707	\$ -	\$ -	-
Cooperative Extension Service	\$ 519,692	\$ 564,153	\$ 567,466	\$ 546,052	\$ (18,101)	-3.2%
Solid Waste	\$ 1,018,303	\$ 1,188,368	\$ 1,215,970	\$ 1,255,582	\$ 67,214	5.7%
Soil & Water Conservation	\$ 219,685	\$ 270,315	\$ 308,920	\$ 268,677	\$ (1,638)	-0.6%
Culture & Recreation	\$ 4,979,283	\$ 5,451,619	\$ 5,615,088	\$ 6,017,048	\$ 565,429	10.4%
Economic Devel & Assistance	\$ 1,001,087	\$ 1,667,244	\$ 3,010,158	\$ 1,929,609	\$ 262,365	15.7%
	\$ 9,489,884	\$ 10,548,769	\$ 12,329,045	\$ 11,458,360	\$ 909,591	8.6%
Revenues						
Federal & State	\$ 783,686	\$ 685,700	\$ 685,700	\$ 672,452	\$ (13,248)	-1.9%
User Charges	\$ 111,322	\$ 110,900	\$ 110,900	\$ 100,620	\$ (10,280)	-9.3%
Other	\$ 20,004	\$ 11,800	\$ 16,800	\$ 23,800	\$ 12,000	101.7%
Fund Balance	\$ (638,231)	\$ -	\$ 5,736	\$ -	\$ -	-
County Funds	\$ 9,213,103	\$ 9,740,369	\$ 11,509,909	\$ 10,661,488	\$ 921,119	9.5%
	\$ 9,489,884	\$ 10,548,769	\$ 12,329,045	\$ 11,458,360	\$ 909,591	8.6%

* Department abolished by Board for FY 2007-08. Department functions were spread to Planning, Culture & Recreation, and County Administration.