



National Night Out



It's that time of year again to celebrate National Night Out! This year's event will be held on Tuesday, August 6th!

Is your community hosting a National Night Out event? If so, we would like to celebrate with you. **Register your event, and we will invite the Concord Police and Concord Fire departments to attend.** We'll also help coordinate CPR demonstrations in partnership with Cabarrus County EMS.

National Night Out is an annual community-building event that enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement.

[Learn More and Register by July 12](#)

FY 2025 Budget Overview

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RECOMMENDED BUDGET OVERVIEW

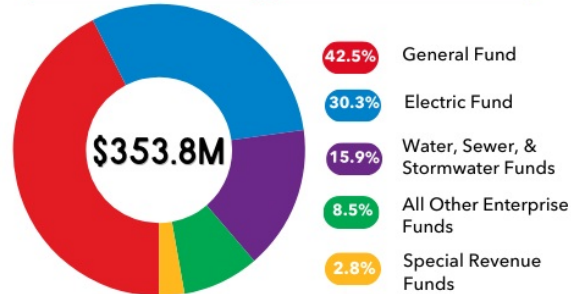
PROPERTY TAX RATE

42¢ PER \$100 VALUATION

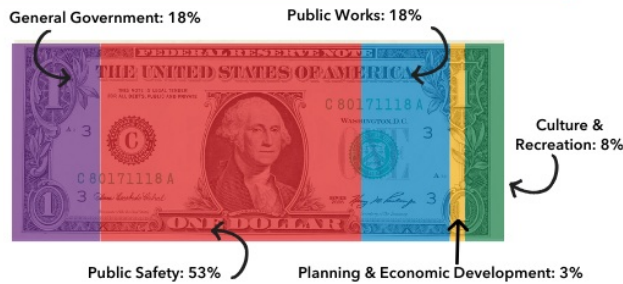


For a home valued at \$357,000,
annual City property taxes = \$1,500

WHAT ARE CITY FUNDS USED FOR?



HOW IS \$1 IN THE GENERAL FUND SPENT?



PRIORITY FUNDING

- \$1.8M for Affordable Housing
- \$1.8M for Parks & Recreation
- \$4.4M for City-owned streets



During their June 13th Regular Meeting, City Council adopted the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 budget. The city-wide budget is \$353,849,526 for all funds, including utilities and special revenue bonds. The budget includes a 6-cent cut to the property tax rate - dropping the rate from 48 cents to 42 cents per \$100 of valuation. With this, the annual City property taxes for a home valued at \$356,350 (the median single-family assessed home value for Cabarrus County) would be \$1,496.67.

This budget focuses on keeping our quality of life high. It includes plans to improve our parks and greenways, make traffic flow better, and increase affordable housing.

[Learn more about the budget on our website](#)

Language Access Plan



The City of Concord recently adopted a Language Access Plan (LAP) to address communication barriers and enhance services to our diverse community.

We were one of nine municipalities accepted into the inaugural Language Access Collaborative program, facilitated by the Building Integrated Communities team at the Institute for the Study of the Americas at UNC-Chapel Hill. We worked with El Puente Hispano to develop the plan and through the program evaluated our current practices and policies, conducted a needs assessment, and created a plan to improve communication with residents with Limited English Proficiency.

Over the next year, with support from grant funding through the Language Access Collaborative, the City will begin implementing goals from the LAP. These goals include:

- Increase translation of vital documents and notices, beginning with the three strategic languages - Spanish, Hindi, and American Sign Language.
- Provide interpretation services for residents, as requested, during public meetings.
- Develop internal training to share language access resources, requirements, and services.
- Create an inclusive emergency response plan.

[Click here to learn more about the plan](#)

Support Downtown Concord Small Businesses

ENTER TO WIN

YETI TUNDRA HAUL WHEELED COOLER

*Show your receipt from a Downtown Concord
business at the Cabarrus County Visitor Center to enter!*

10099 Weddington Rd, Suite 102 | Concord, NC 28027

Drawing closes August 1st



Explore Cabarrus is hosting a giveaway to support our local Downtown Concord businesses. **For a chance to win a Yeti Cooler and \$200 in Downtown Bucks, take your receipt(s) from a downtown business to the Cabarrus County Visitor Center to enter.** The drawing closes August 1st.

Christmas in July

Support Local + Feel Festive

Saturday, July 13th

11:00 am- 3:00 pm

Unwrap the magic of Christmas in Downtown Concord

'Tis the season! **Join us in Downtown Concord on July 13th to celebrate Christmas in July!**

Here's what's happening:

- Fresh farmers market at The Lenz Studio from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
- Christmas storytime at Goldberry Books from 10:00 - 10:45 a.m.
- Concord Fire will be outside MacTabby Cat Cafe from 11:00-11:45 a.m.
Before or after grabbing your favorite drink and spending time with furry friends, visit our firefighters from Station 1 who will have an engine for kids to explore and take photos outside the cafe.
- Letters to Santa at Highgrounds Coffee between noon and 1:00 p.m.
- Christmas Karaoke and a Grinch Who Stole Christmas Party at Lil Roberts from 8:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

Discover all the amazing businesses downtown, including upcoming events and special promotions, by checking out the directory and events sections of our downtown website: concorddowntown.com

Parks & Rec Bond Update

RAMSEUR PARK



BOND UPDATE MEETING

July 17 from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Odell Fields Shelter - 1300 Cox Mill Road

Join our Parks and Rec team for a Bond Update Meeting on July 17th at the Odell Fields Shelter for the new Ramseur Park. During this drop-in meeting, we'll share more details about the upcoming park, project timeline, and more.

Upcoming Events



Eco Explorers

EXPLORE YOUR ENVIRONMENT FROM INSIDE THE LIBRARY!

Join Library staff and the City of Concord's Sustainability Coordinator for FREE eco-friendly themed stories & activities throughout the summer!

Location: Concord Library, 27 Union St N.

Open to Ages 6-11



Recycling

Wednesday, July 10 @ 4:00pm



Stormwater

Wednesday, August 7 @ 4:00pm

Presented by:  

Our Sustainability Coordinator, Juliann Chavez, is partnering with the Cabarrus County Public Library, Concord branch, to host a series of youth workshops. Children ages 6-11 are welcome to attend and learn about recycling and our water system!

Streetlight 5K & Frolic



It's not too late to sign up for our Streetlight 5K and Frolic! Join us on Friday, July 12 in **Downtown Concord for the 5K, fun run frolic, and family-friendly activities.** We'll have food trucks, a carnival themed kids' zone, balloon artist, games, and a concert by 20RIDE - a Zac Brown Tribute Band. We hope to see you there!

Learn more and register for the 5K & Frolic

**4th Annual
Concord International Festival!**



PRESENT

Concord
International Festival

October 5, 2024
12 - 6 PM • Downtown Concord



NOW ACCEPTING

FOOD VENDORS

INTERNATIONAL FLAVORS

INFO: (980) 255-1434 • FESTIVAL@ELPUENTEHISPANONC.ORG

• CONCORDINTERNATIONALFESTIVAL.COM •

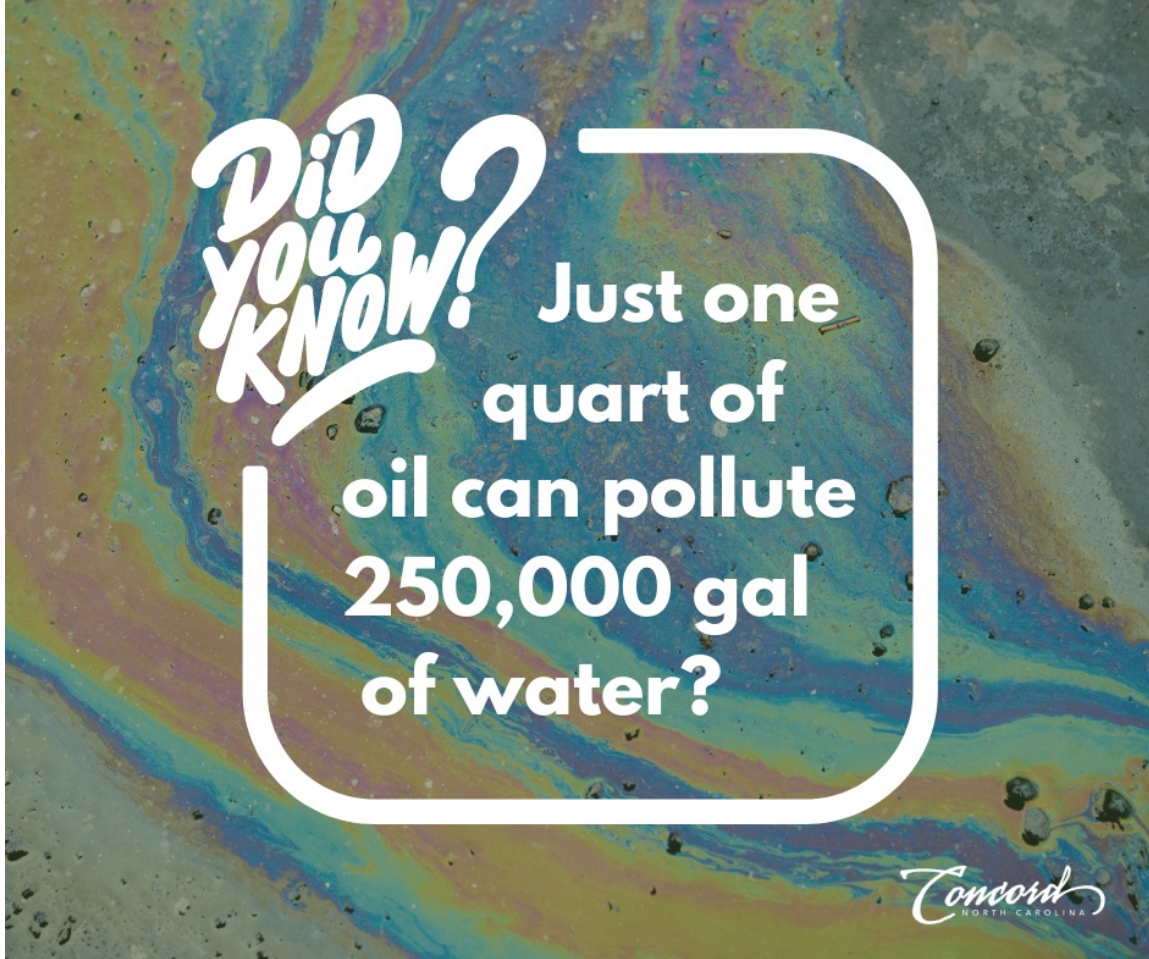
Join us on **Saturday, October 5th** from **12:00 - 6:00 p.m.** for a day of food, music, and family fun.

We're looking for international food vendors to join this exciting celebration of culture and community. Click the link below to learn more and complete the application.

Applications are due September 1, 2024.

[Food Vendor Application](#)

Monthly Tips



Did you know oil that isn't properly disposed of can lead to stormwater pollution?

Oil that leaks or spills onto driveways, streets, or parking lots can be washed into storm drains. This pollutes our lakes and streams and impacts our water quality. Keep our water clean by properly disposing of your oil.

[Learn more](#)



Bagging your recyclables? Time to quit!

When plastic bags enter the recycling system, they tangle the gears and shut down the sorting machines. Leave recyclable containers, cans, paper and cardboard loose and bag-free in your curbside recycling bin!

Not sure which common plastic, paper, glass and metal can be recycled? Check out our website: concordnc.gov/recycling or download the free CARTology app and use the [waste wizard](#) to search any household item.

**Reminder: Cabarrus Ave & Union St Intersection
is Closed for Construction**



Reminder! The intersection of Cabarrus Ave and Union St is closed as part of the Downtown Concord Streetscape Project. The closure began on May 20th and is expected to last two months, weather-dependent, while contractors work on the streetscape and update existing utilities.

During the closure, the Municipal Parking Deck remains accessible from both the Cabarrus Ave and the Union St entrances and drivers may still use Market St to visit downtown businesses or access the City's payment drop box.

[Click here](#) for a map and additional information.

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