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Do you know what the Sarasota County Penny Sales Tax is?

SARASOTA COUNTY - The Sarasota County Penny Sales Tax also known as the as the sales surtax, surtax, or one-cent tax, shares revenues locally between Sarasota County Schools, Sarasota County, Town of Longboat Key and Cities of North Port, Sarasota, and Venice.

The one-cent tax revenues provide funding for roadways, public safety, libraries, schools, parks and more. Projects like the widening of Bahia Vista Street and improvements to Turtle Beach Campground, were funded in part by penny tax revenues.

This voter approved tax began in 1989 and has continually been renewed by voters. The current tax will expire Dec. 31, 2024. On Nov. 8, 2022, Sarasota County residents will decide whether to extend the one-cent sales tax for another 15 years, from 2025-2039, and continue fast-tracking projects in unincorporated Sarasota County.

Visit sarasotacountysurtax.net, check out the Sarasota County official YouTube channel playlist, [Your Penny at Work](#), or click this link for audio clips, to learn more about completed and future penny tax funded projects.

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- [This link has information](#) about how the tax is applied and past Penny Tax funded projects from Sarasota County, Sarasota County Schools, Town of Longboat Key and Cities of North Port, Sarasota, and Venice.
- [This link has more information](#) about the Nov. 8 ballot questions and bond process.
- [This link has videos](#) on past county Penny Tax funded projects.
- [This link has audio files](#) about the Penny Tax, and bond process

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