



ON NOV. 8, Sarasota County voters will have the opportunity to continue the penny tax that helps fund local community projects.

WHAT DOES THE ONE-CENT SALES TAX FUND?

Projects such as public safety, environmental, water quality, libraries, parks, schools and roads.

WHO BENEFITS?

Sarasota County, the cities of Sarasota, North Port and Venice, the Town of Longboat Key and the School Board.

WHAT TO REMEMBER

- It will fund projects that, among others, will enhance water quality, public safety, and road improvement and widening, along with quality-of-life infrastructure projects, such as libraries, parks and schools. It would not fund the hiring of employees.
- The penny sales tax referendum does not raise taxes. Sarasota County voters first authorized this sale tax in 1989 and have extended it twice.
- Every dollar generated by the penny will be spent in Sarasota County. It will benefit the community and the residents who live here, and the bond referendum is intended to allow Sarasota County to make the best use of sales tax revenue by fast-tracking projects.
- Every penny of funds raised by the tax and bonds will be overseen by a Citizen Oversight Committee, which is made up of local residents who will review any changes made to the list of projects or to the allocation of proceeds.
- A substantial portion of funds from the penny sales tax is generated by non-residents, such as tourists. Sarasota County taxpayers would pay only pay \$1 in taxes for every \$100 they spend in Sarasota County.

What you spend	What gets allocated for community projects
\$1	One cent
\$5	Five cents
\$100	100 pennies (\$1)

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WHAT'S ON THE BALLOT?

- **QUESTION NO. 1:** Continues funding for local improvements through renewal of the penny tax; maintains citizen oversight committees.
- **QUESTION NO. 2:** Accelerate community projects through issuance of voter-approved penny tax bonds.

[Click here to view each of the two ballot questions in greater detail.](#)



[View an interactive project list](#)



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OTHER IMPORTANT RESOURCES

All the following items may be downloaded from the resources page of the [penny sales tax website](#).

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- [Facebook timeline graphic](#)
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WATCH NOW: How the penny sales tax will fund products that, among others, will enhance water quality, public safety, and road improvement and widening, along with quality-of-life infrastructure projects, such as libraries, parks and schools.





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