

2012 Accomplishments



JC General Services Complex

In December we celebrated our one year anniversary.

Jackson County Bicentennial –

Several events were held throughout 2012 to commemorate Jackson County's 200th Birthday and our rich and diverse history. The year of celebration culminated with Jackson County Day on Dec. 18 - a huge Birthday party held on the front lawn of the Courthouse to celebrate this occasion. Other events included an essay contest, tree plantings, Courthouse beautification, fireworks display at the County Fair, Passport Through Jackson County History project with students, and finally the burial of a 50 year time capsule on January 24, 2013.

Hurricane Shelters - Vancleave, Hurley, St. Martin

(\$3 Million Each, FEMA/MEMA funded)

- 10,000 square feet
- Withstand 200 mph winds, 8" concrete walls, self supportive utilities, 20,000 gal. of potable water, capacity of 350
- Vancleave Open House: Feb. 7, 5-6p.m.

Ocean Springs Harbor Bulkhead –

(\$4 Million, FEMA/Tideland funds)

- Replace 100 % of Bulk Head & Boardwalk, Raised platforms, Quick release power pedestals
- To be completed by April 2013



Recreation -

- Helena Ballpark - 12 light poles, baseball field upgrades
- Vancleave & St. Andrews Parks - New Pavilions
- Site Work for: Gautier Soccer Field Expansion & Vancleave Arena RV Project
- Courthouse Beautification

Maintenance –

- Youth Court Detention Center Renovations
- Arts Hall at Fairground Additions
- Community Centers Repairs
- Courthouse Renovations & Repairs

Solid Waste –

Expanding Recycling programs that are available to ALL JC residents:

- *Household Hazardous Waste Day (Annual Event in April)*
- *Landfill brought in about \$66,760 in revenue through their recycling programs*
- Oil Recycling Program for County Departments established
- Asst. with Chevron's "Renew Our Rivers", Soil Conservation Day, River Rats Cleanup

Planning Department –

- 475 Residential Permits (\$164,300) Valuation: \$37,060,560
- 73 Commercial Permits (\$67,360) Valuation: \$11,781,600

Grant Department/Special Grant Projects –

- Submitted 18 grant applications in 2012: 4 awarded, awaiting approval on another 8
- \$9,381,900 in reimbursements for JC in 2012 - currently managing 17 projects
- Maintains all grant records for 3-5 years (currently 66 projects)

**Jackson County Budget - FY 2013
(October 1, 2012 - September 30, 2013)**

FY 2013 Operating Budget \$131.6 million

The operating budget is made up of Ad Valorem (taxes) as well as local, state, and federal grants. The County's Ad Valorem is based on the assessed value of the County. One mill is 1/1000th of a dollar, or one mill yields one dollar in revenue for each \$1,000 of assessed value.

County's Overall Assessed Value in 2013 \$1.49 billion
 Value of a Mill \$1.49 million
 Millage Rate* 51.369

Total County Ad Valorem \$79 million
 (Value of a mill * Millage Rate) - (Exemptions)

The millage is allocated as follows:

Pat Harrison	0.200
Airport	0.860
Capital Improvements	1.000
Port Authority	1.000
Reappraisal Maintenance	1.000
Library	1.678
Debt Service	2.748
MGCCC	4.461
Road/Bridge	10.064
General	<u>28.358</u>
Total Mills	51.369

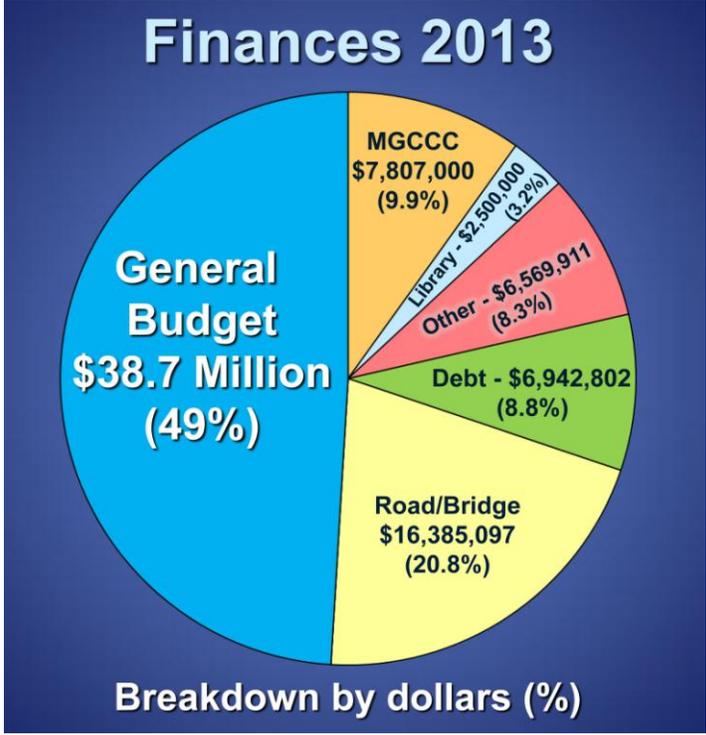
It's important to remember the County's millage (51.369 mills), on average makes up only one-third of most city residents' overall tax bill. The other two thirds are divided up between the city and the school district. For example, residents who live in these municipalities/ areas and/or school districts pay the following levies:

<u>Location & School Districts</u>	<u>County Millage</u>	<u>City Millage</u>	<u>School Millage</u>
Pascagoula (Pascagoula School Dist.)	51.369	39.550	48.390
Moss Point (Moss Point School Dist.)	51.369	50.350	61.540
Ocean Springs (Ocean Springs School Dist.)	51.369	21.830	66.300
Gautier (Pascagoula School Dist.)	51.369	32.100	61.540
County School District			52.734
ALL Unincorporated: Solid Waste & Rural Fire	9.595		
Unincorporated: Special Levies (Fire, Lighting, Utilities)	varies		

Millage rates are applied to five classes of property subject to taxation based on your Tax District. The classes of property include Single Family Owner Occupied, All other Real Property, Personal Property, Automobiles, and Public Utilities.

For a more detailed breakdown of millage rates and how to determine yours
<http://www.co.jackson.ms.us/img/finance-millage/millagerates2012-13.pdf>

* This is a base rate, however Exemptions such as Homestead will reduce County Ad Valorem. In addition, some industries may qualify for exemptions under the Tax Exemption Policy. Residents in unincorporated areas will also pay "Special Levies" such as Solid Waste, Fire, and Utility and Lighting Districts.



Projects for 2013

Transportation, as always, is a major priority and as you saw the Road Dept. is a large portion of the budget. Altogether the County Rd. Manager and his crews manage more than 900 miles of roads and bridges

Road Department Budget Total: \$23 Million

Paving Budget: \$4.9 Million

Funding for paving projects is allocated for both unincorporated areas as well as municipalities. A list of paving projects is available on the Four Year Road Plan (updates in February) on the County website.

Major improvement projects: \$2.76 million

- Yellow Jacket/Old Ft. Bayou - \$450,000
- Forts Lake Road - \$240,000
- Old Fort Bayou Road - \$560,000
- Money Farm Road - \$100,000
- Old Fort Bayou Road Curve - \$125,000
- Paige Bayou Road - \$300,000
- John Smith Road – DBST II - \$ 75,000
- Bilbo Road - \$200,000
- Old Spanish Trail Widening - \$710,000



Bridges

- Bay Avenue (Moss Point)
- Indian Lane
- Seaman Road
- Old Biloxi Road
- Summerlin Bayou Road (ROW)
- Old Spanish Trail (Gautier)
- Grand Bature Road (ROW)

Special Projects

- Hospital Road Box Culvert
- Ocean Springs Rd. Box Culvert* (almost complete)
- Highway 63 Culvert

Sheriff Department's Budget

The Sheriff's Department's total budget is \$15.7 million for 2013. Along with salaries, this budget includes \$6 million for the day-to-day operations at the ADC, 7 new vehicles and one new transport van.

Solid Waste

- 2 new grapple trucks for Solid Waste (\$260,000)
- Household Hazardous Waste Day – April 20, 2013
- Proposing Business Electronic Waste Recycling Day
- Expected Grants - \$196,000

Animal Shelter

- Begin Resurfacing the floors at the Animal Shelter
- Repairing roof

Dredging

- Budgeted \$450,000 in addition to Tidelands funds



Maintenance/Construction:

Each year our Maintenance Dept. does about a half a million dollars in new construction, renovations, and upkeep on our facilities. This year is no different with projects including:

- Justice Court Addition in West JC (began in 2012)
- Jefferson Street Complex Renovations
 - Justice Court enlarged
 - Election Commission – permanent Voting Precinct
- Youth Court - Sprinkler and door lock systems
- Relocating several modular units from Fairground
- Courthouse - Continue renovations for DA's office



Hurricane Recovery Projects

We will be working on several larger construction projects in 2013 that will be funded through federal and state funds, primarily as Hurricane recovery projects.

Hurricane Project	Cost	Notes
New MDOC Building	\$1.2 million	To begin in February
Ocean Springs Harbor Bulkhead (from Katrina)	\$4 million	To be completed by April
LaPointe Krebs House (FEMA/MDAH funds)	\$450,000	Going out for bid in March
Ocean Springs Fishing Pier (water & lighting)	\$95,000	To begin in February
Octavia Pier	\$60,000	To be complete in April
Beach Replenishment (3 beaches)	\$560,000	To begin in February
Ocean Springs Bulkhead (from Gustav)	\$700,000	To be completed by April

Recreation:

The County continues to move forward on its plan to upgrade existing and new parks in order to create more "Family Recreation Opportunities."

Vancleave Facilities **\$175,000**
New pavilion at tennis courts, Splash pad in park

LeMoyne Blvd **\$200,000**
Initial legwork will begin for a soccer field

St. Martin Complex **\$6,000**
Sidewalk improvements

Latimer **\$25,550**
Restrooms Installed at walking track

Lum Cumbest Park **\$72,000**
Improvements to girls' field, adding a backstop

Khayat & Joseph St. Parks **\$50,000**

Vancleave Horse Arena **\$252,000** (\$190K in grants so County's cost is \$62K)
Construction to begin on 35 new RV hookups - should be completed this fall
They will have electric and water and allow us to hold 3 to 4 day shows resulting in more revenue

JC Soccer Complex Expansion **\$355,000 for FY 2013**
New tournament size fields including additional parking, irrigation, lighting, and fencing.
Sprigging to begin in June and expect to be completed by the end of the year

Recreation in Jackson County

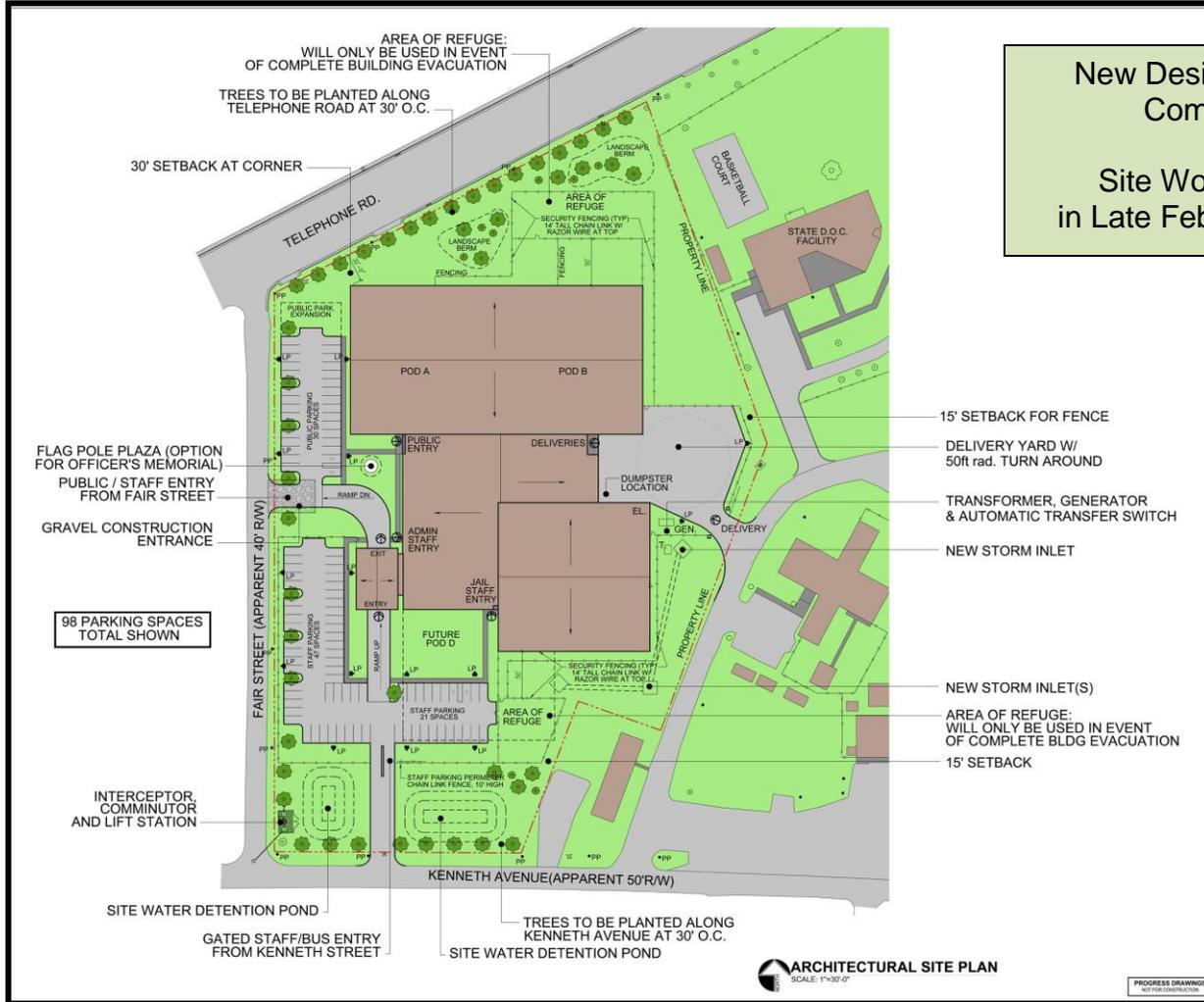


County Facilities

- Whispering Pines Golf Course
- Vancleave Horse Arena
- 24 Public Boat ramps
- 3 Public Beaches
- 12 Community Parks
- Ballparks, Walking Tracks, Splash Pads, Tennis Courts, Soccer Fields, Playgrounds, Pavilions, Basketball Courts, Batting Cages, Model Airplane Field

Other Recreation and Leisure Activities Available in Jackson County
Ecotourism, Municipal, State and National Parks, Wildlife Refuges, Shopping, Museums, Restaurants, History, and More!

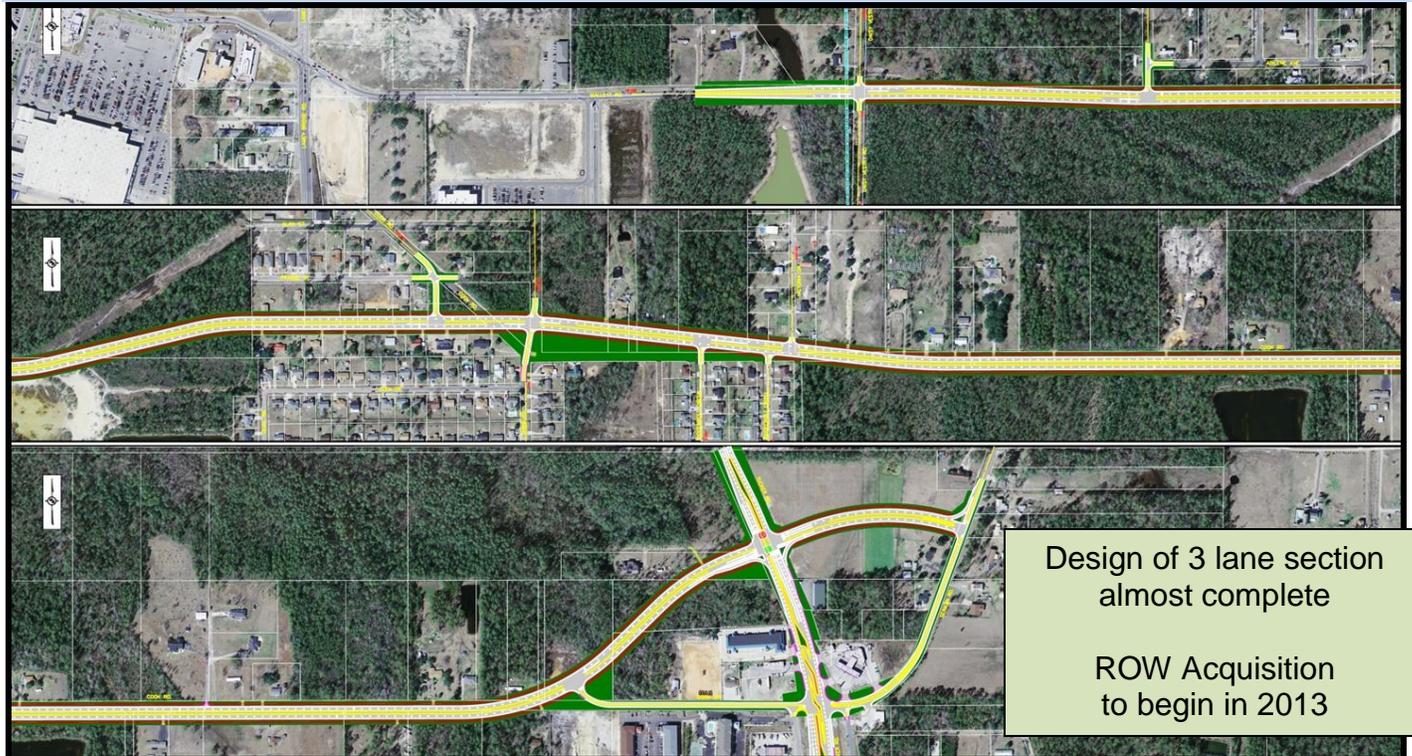
New Jail -



New Design Almost Complete

Site Work to Bid in Late February 2013

I-10 Connector Road



What Makes Jackson County Great!

From quality education and health care to recreational facilities and infrastructure, Jackson County has it all - including employment opportunities.

Singing River Health System

- State-of-the-art hospitals and primary care clinics
- Provides more than 2600 jobs
- Recruit physicians and other professionals to JC
- Improving and Expanding: ReadyCare in Hurley and Pascagoula, OS Medical Park, Neuroscience Center, Implemented electronic medical record system



Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College

- Launched College's Strategic Plan 2020
- Opened Instrumentation and Controls Academy in partnership with Southern Company on JC Campus
- Only Mississippi community college to experience enrollment increase in Fall 2012 (3,338 at JC Campus)
- Provided workforce training for 7,586 individuals Jackson County during FY2012 (resulted in wage increase of \$4,917 annually with average annual earnings of more than \$44,000)

Trent Lott Int'l Airport (TLIA)

One of Jackson County's most important gateways is the TLIA. TLIA is ideal for charter companies, manufacturing companies, and accommodates flight testing facilities for manned and unmanned airplanes and helicopters. TLIA is currently working to strengthen and extend the runway and taxiway by 1500 feet among many other improvement projects. The excellent airfield, the location of the Airport, and the growth of business in Jackson County are key strengths.

Northrop Grumman Aerospace

- Held a "a jig-load" ceremony of the first Triton unmanned aircraft. The aerial system is designed to patrol worlds' oceans through Broad Area Maritime Surveillance (BAMS) program of US Navy.
- Delivered *two fuselages for Global Hawk aircraft.*
- *New version of FireScout – production begins in 2013*



Port of Pascagoula -

The Port of Pascagoula is a major economic driver and partner to the port dependent industries that provide over 23,000 direct jobs and are vital to the economic well being of Jackson County, the region, and MS.

- **South Terminal – \$1.8 Million**
Improve and increase available open storage, cargo handling area and to provide adequate drainage
- **West Bank Terminal Rail Repairs - \$580,000**
Replace ties, reset grades, replace switches and loading dock bumpers and repair crossings.
- **Port Navigation Projects**
 - Pascagoula River Harbor Dredged Material Disposal Sites
 - Widening Pascagoula Bar Channel
 - Widening of the Bayou Casotte Channel



Jackson County Industrial Water System

- New Chemical Feed System and Building
- Flood control wall surrounding water treatment plant
- 42" pipeline project from treatment facility to industries in Bayou Casotte

Huntington-Ingalls Industries -

- 10,000 Employees in MS and expect to hire 3,000 more in 2013
- **Contracts totaling - \$16 billion**
- **Navy and Coast Guard Contracts - \$7.2 million - \$2.4 billion**
- **Maritime Training Facility - \$19 million CDBG funds**

Chevron Pascagoula Refinery -

- Produces up to 330K barrels of crude oil per day, 1500 employees
- **Base Oil Project - \$1.4 billion**
To manufacture 25K barrels of premium base oil per day
- **Continuous Catalyst Regeneration Project – \$500 million**
To increase gasoline production by 10%
- **Fluid Catalytic Cracking Unit project - \$150 million**
Increase capacity of unit by 25%
- **Educational Projects**
 - **Chevron High School Career Fair (2nd annual)**
 - **Fuel Your School – \$55,000**
 - **STEM Grants – \$60,000**



Jackson County

Population of JC: 139,668
Population of MS Gulf Coast: 370,702
Median Household Income: \$46,864
Primary Industries: Shipbuilding, Advanced Manufacturing, Chemical

Signet Maritime

- Jan. 15, 2013 – Announced expansion at Signet Shipbuilding & Repair operations at Port of Pascagoula - will create 50 additional jobs. \$7.2 million project. **\$3.6 million CDBG matching funds.**

VT Halter Marine (Commercial and Navy vessels)

- 2008- \$7 million expansion project adding 182 jobs with **\$5 million of CDBG funds**
- 2012 – Broke ground on a \$32 million marine and ship repair and overhaul facility creating 400 jobs **with \$20 million of CDBG funds.** Completion in 2014.



Highway 611 Flyover

- Allow industrial traffic to avoid a busy intersection with Hwy 90 and a CSX railroad crossing
- **\$35M in CDBG funds** allowed for final funding of this project, includes: relocated a water line, building the new flyover and widening the remainder of the road

SUNPLEX

- Mingledorff's Enterprises - completing construction of their new wholesale distribution facility
- ChemPro opened their new facility
- Sulphur Operations Support is breaking ground on their second expansion within 6 months.

Zachry Fabrication Facility

- Zachry Holdings purchased a D&Z Atlantic Fabrication Facility in Moss Point in September 2012.
- Retained all 65 employees with plans to begin improvements and expansion project at the facility, investing additional funds and creating more jobs.

For more information about Jackson County and its services
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