

# Vote Nov. 6

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Your penny at **Work.**



## Projects promised for the next 15 years

### Phase III Highlights (2010-2024)

#### Court Facilities

- † D feY 4` f\_gj T fœd
- † fUZZj 4V\_eVc Vi aR\_cZ \_
- † 5VêV\_eZ \_ VVjZj

#### Public Safety

- † DVcZVW ecf \_ cRUZ cVa}RTV^ V\_e
- † 9fœZTR\_V dVj}è/c cVec` }eac` XcR^
- † AfSjZ DRWj E cZ\_ZX 4V\_eVc

#### Environmental Restoration

- † Da` Z jZjR\_U cVdè cReZ \_
- † 5` \_R3j h RêVcdVU^ ^ R\_RV^ V\_ea}R\_

#### Water and Sewer

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#### Libraries

- † ?` œY A` œe=ZcRj ::
- † 8f}MB RêV =ZcRj cVa}RTV^ V\_e

#### Parks and Recreation

- † 3VRTY V\_YR\_TV^ V\_e d
- † Da` œd VVjZj d\_R\_U aR\_cZ

#### Health Facilities

- † D feY 4` f\_gj YVRêY UVaRœ^ V\_e VVjZj

#### Government Facilities

- † CZ-Z2\_UVœd \_ cV^` UMZ\_X

#### Economic Development

- † 7RêXc` f\_UdVT \_` ^ Z UVgV` a^ V\_e
- † 4VjVj 7ZjUdVT \_` ^ Z UVgV` a^ V\_e

#### Transportation

- † 3W CZUW C` RU VRcè` VM (&
- † 9` \_ cV 2gV\_fV
- † 7cf ZgZjV C` RU VRcè` VM (&

#### School Board

- † ?` Vh TjRdè` ^ h Z Xdè cVa}RTV a` œfSjVd
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- † 3` \_Vc 9ZY dTY` `] cV` \_ gReZ \_
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#### City of Sarasota

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#### City of Venice

- † AVcVc^ Z\_X Rœd TV\_eVc
- † A` jZV\_R\_U } cV VVjZj d
- † 3VRTY R\_U aRc` Z` ac` gV^ V\_e d
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#### City of North Port

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- † CVZ \_Rj ^ f jZaf ca` dV aRc` T \_dcf TeZ \_
- † 4Zj h ZV c` RU cVRSZÈReZ \_
- † H RêVc R\_U dVh Vc jZ\_V V eV\_cZ \_ d

#### Town of Longboat Key

- † 3VRTY \_` f cZV^ V\_e R\_U Vc` dZ` T \_ec` ]
- † ARc` d\_R\_U cVTCVReZ \_dZ` ac` gV^ V\_e d
- † 7ZV\_R\_U cVdVf V gVYZjV cVa}RTV^ V\_e d
- † 4R\_Rj UcVUXZ\_X ^ RZ\_eV\_R\_TV



## Penny Frequently Asked Questions

### What is the penny surtax?

It's a tax that funds capital improvement projects like roads, parks and schools. The tax fills a gap caused by cuts in federal and state funds for these projects.

### Is this a new tax?

No. It extends the current penny sales tax. The tax was adopted by voters in a referendum in 1989 and was renewed in 1997. The extended tax will expire Aug. 31, 2009.

### Who pays the one-cent sales tax?

People who buy taxable items in the unincorporated portions of Sarasota County and the cities of Sarasota, North Port, Longboat Key and Venice. They pay a penny extra for every dollar they spend.

More than one-third of the revenue is generated by visitors and part-time residents.

### How is the penny sales tax allocated?

The Sarasota County School Board receives 25 percent of the tax collected. The remaining revenue is allocated based on population percentages of Sarasota County and the municipalities of Sarasota, Longboat Key, Venice and North Port.

### How much money would the surtax raise?

The penny sales tax is expected to raise about \$1.4 billion countywide over a 15-year period, which will be used for a wide range of capital projects.

### Forecasted Revenues for Surtax Extension



