

2012
State of the City
Rockford Illinois



MAYOR LAWRENCE J. MORRISSEY

MARCH 15, 2012

★ *Our City,* ★
OUR STORY
OUR TIME



Jimmy Goodman

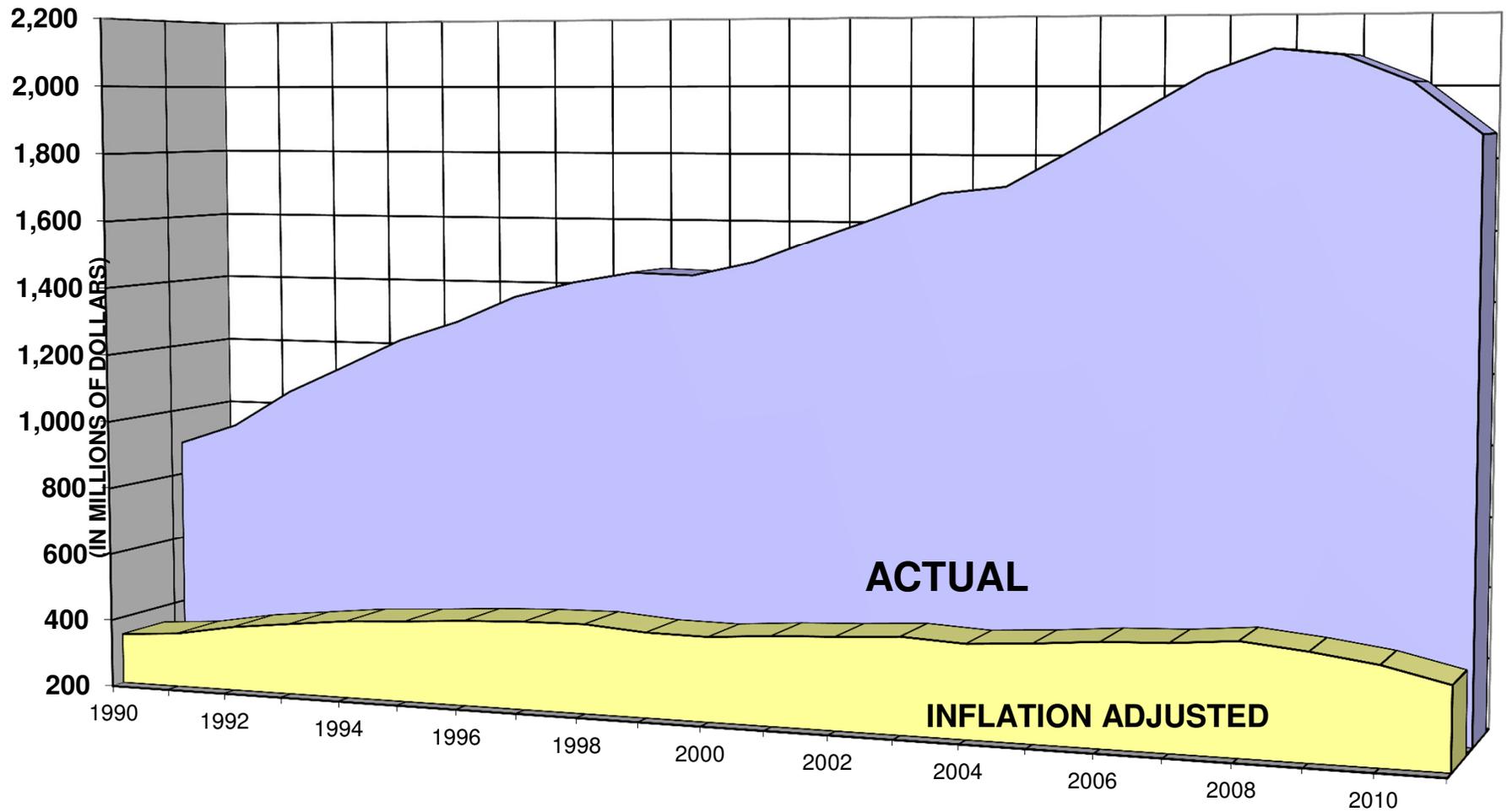


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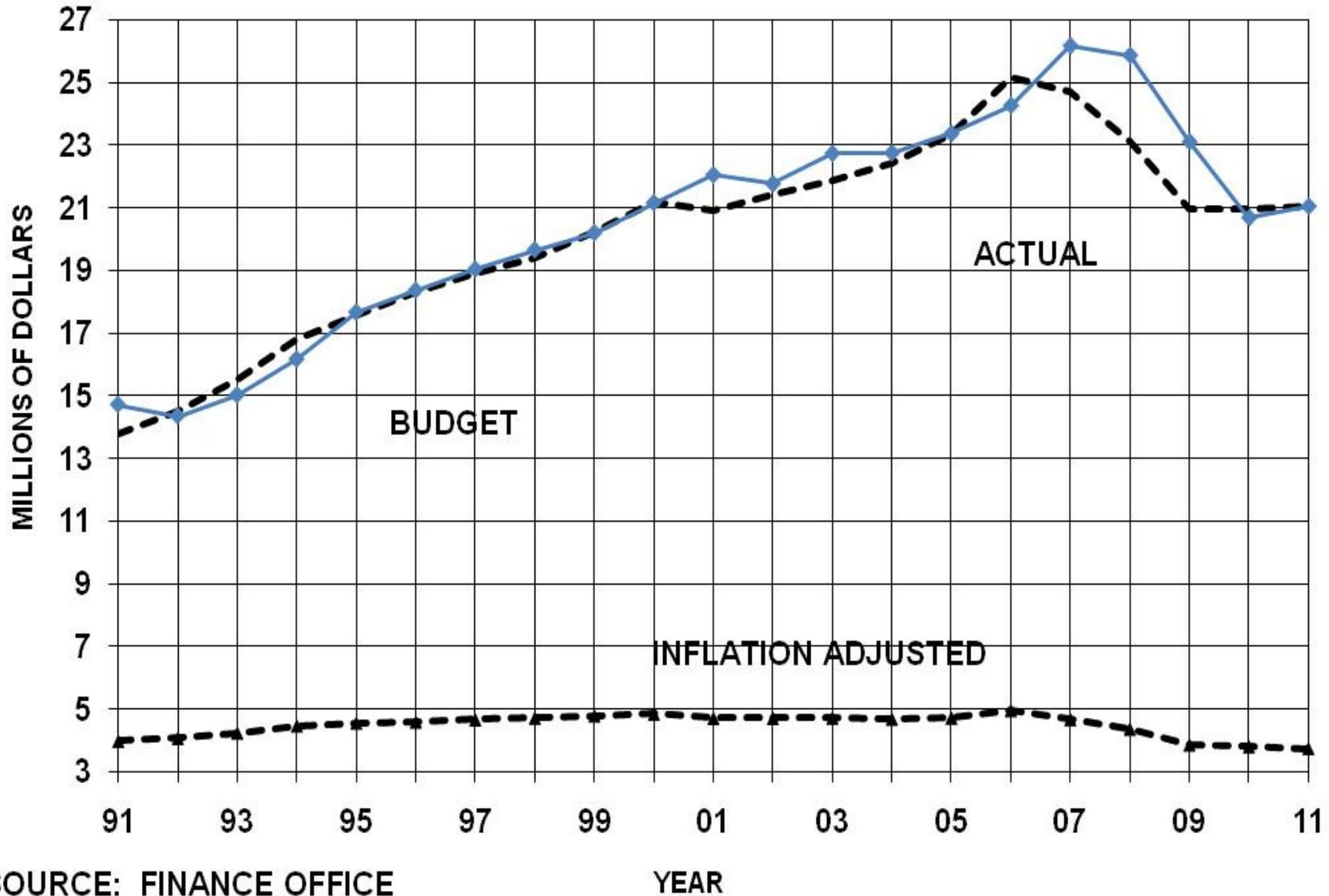
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CITY OF ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS EQUALIZED ASSESSED VALUATION

1990-2011



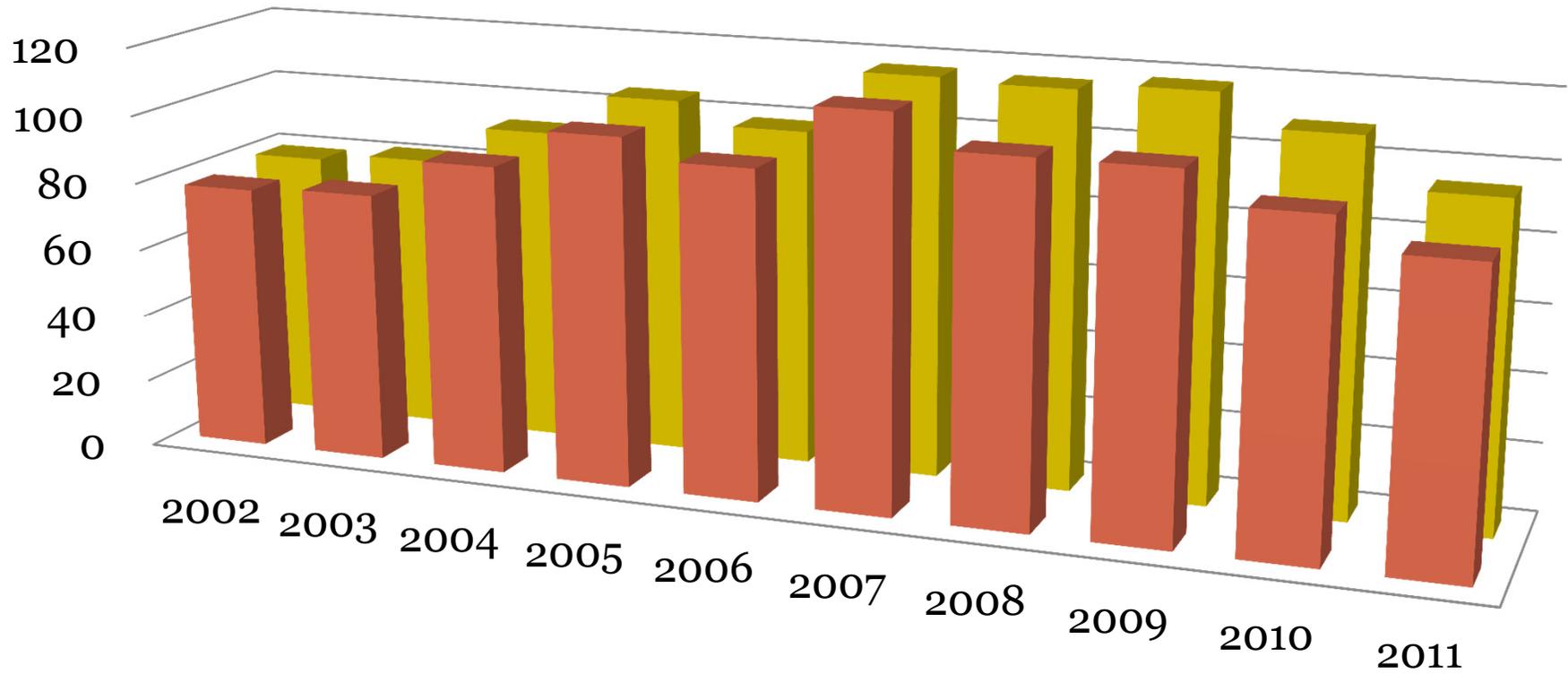
CITY OF ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS GENERAL FUND SALES TAX REVENUES 1991-2011



SOURCE: FINANCE OFFICE

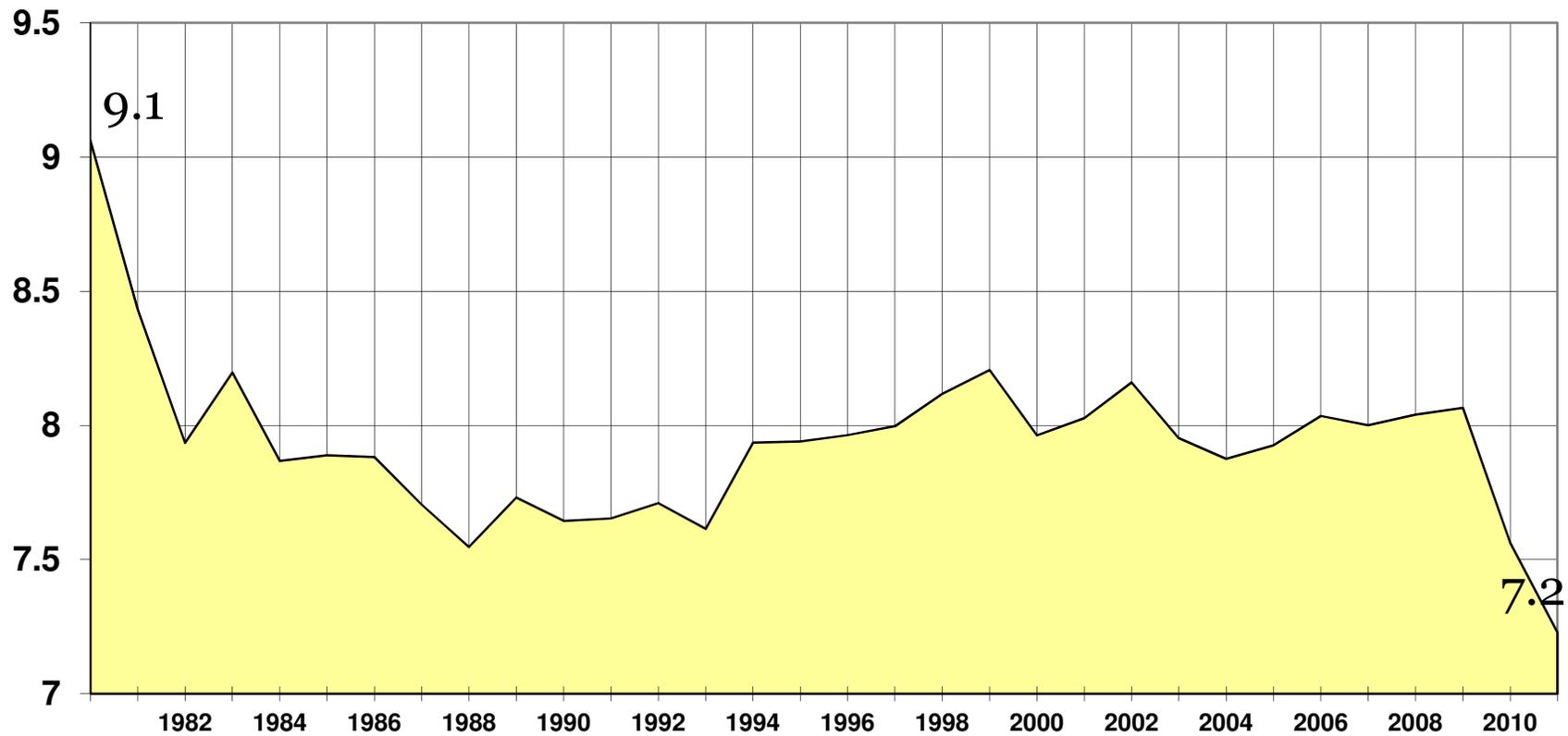
Long Term Liabilities

2002-2011



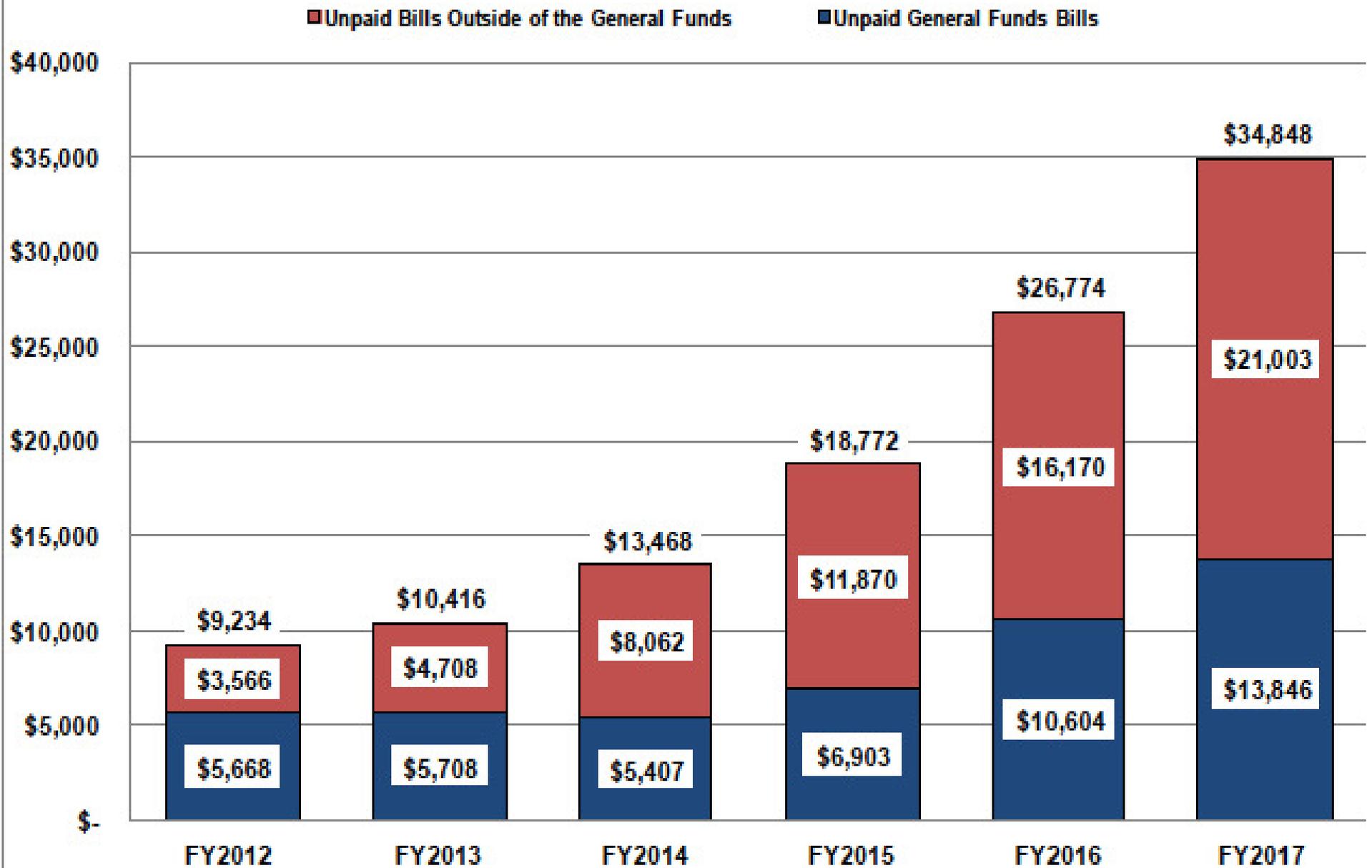
■ GO Bonds ■ Total GF Debt

CITY OF ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS EMPLOYEES PER 1,000 RESIDENTS YEARS FROM 1980

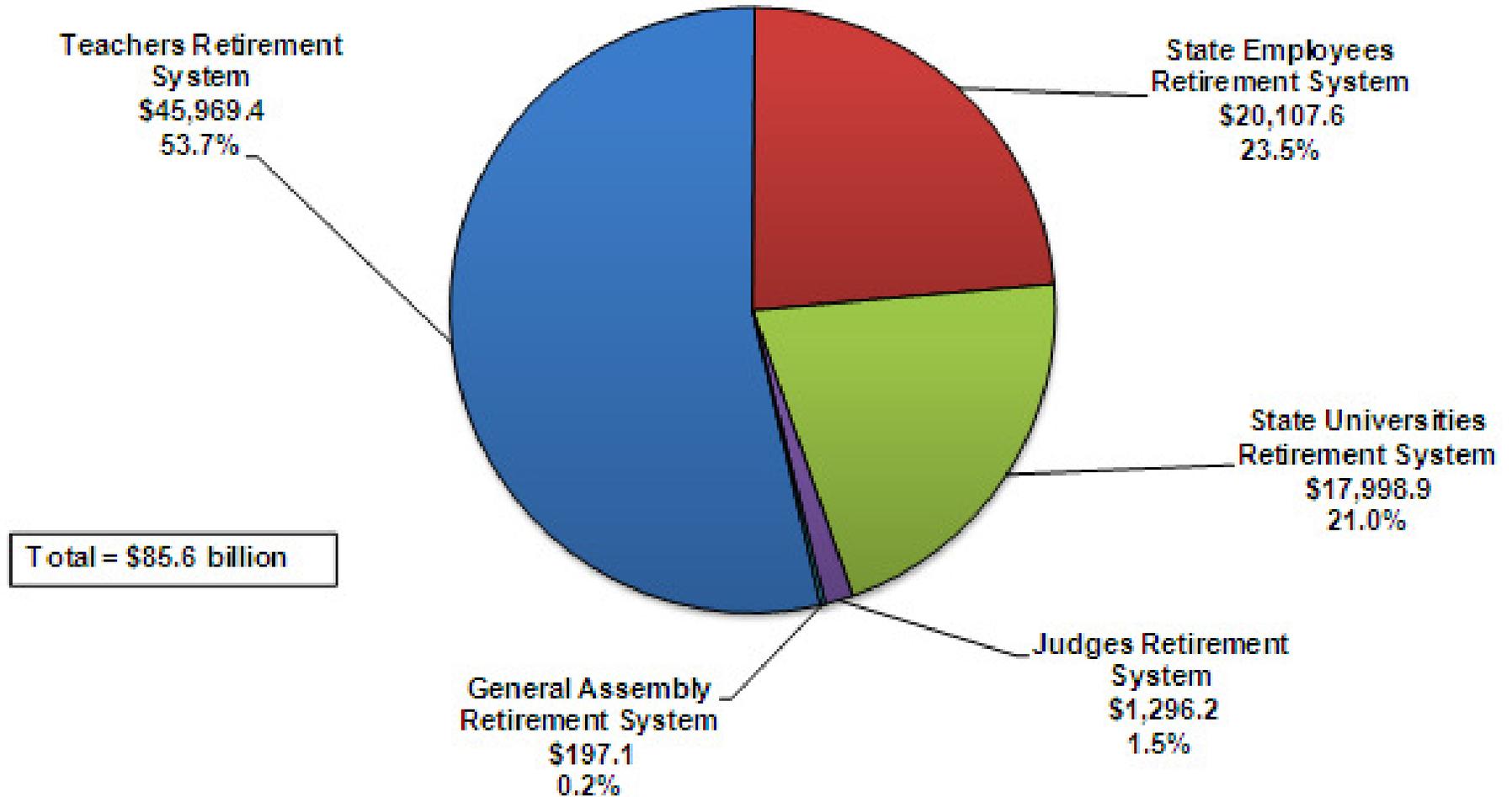


SOURCE: FINANCE OFFICE

State of Illinois Five-Year Projections: Total Unpaid Bills FY2012-FY2017 (in \$ millions)

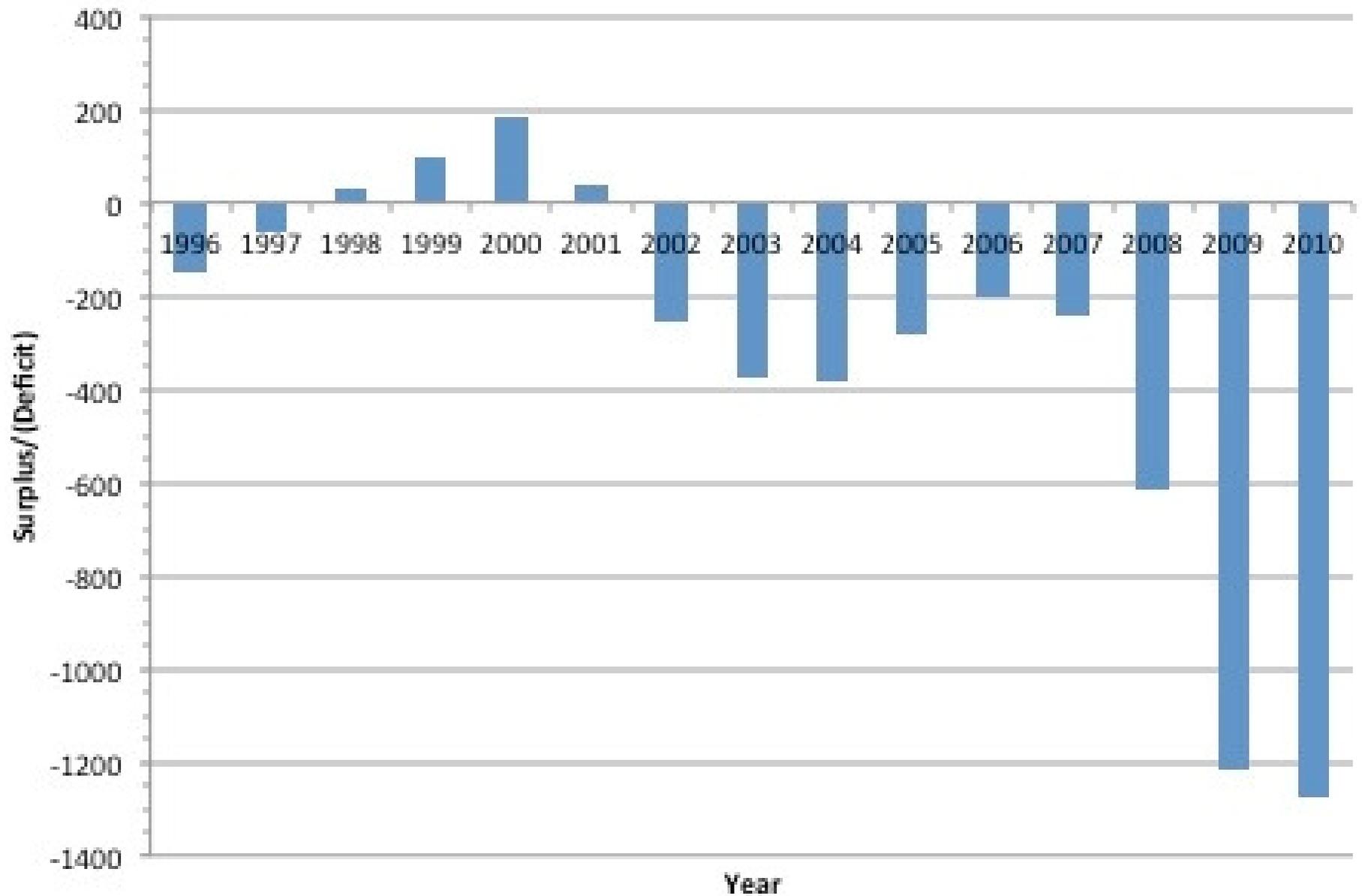


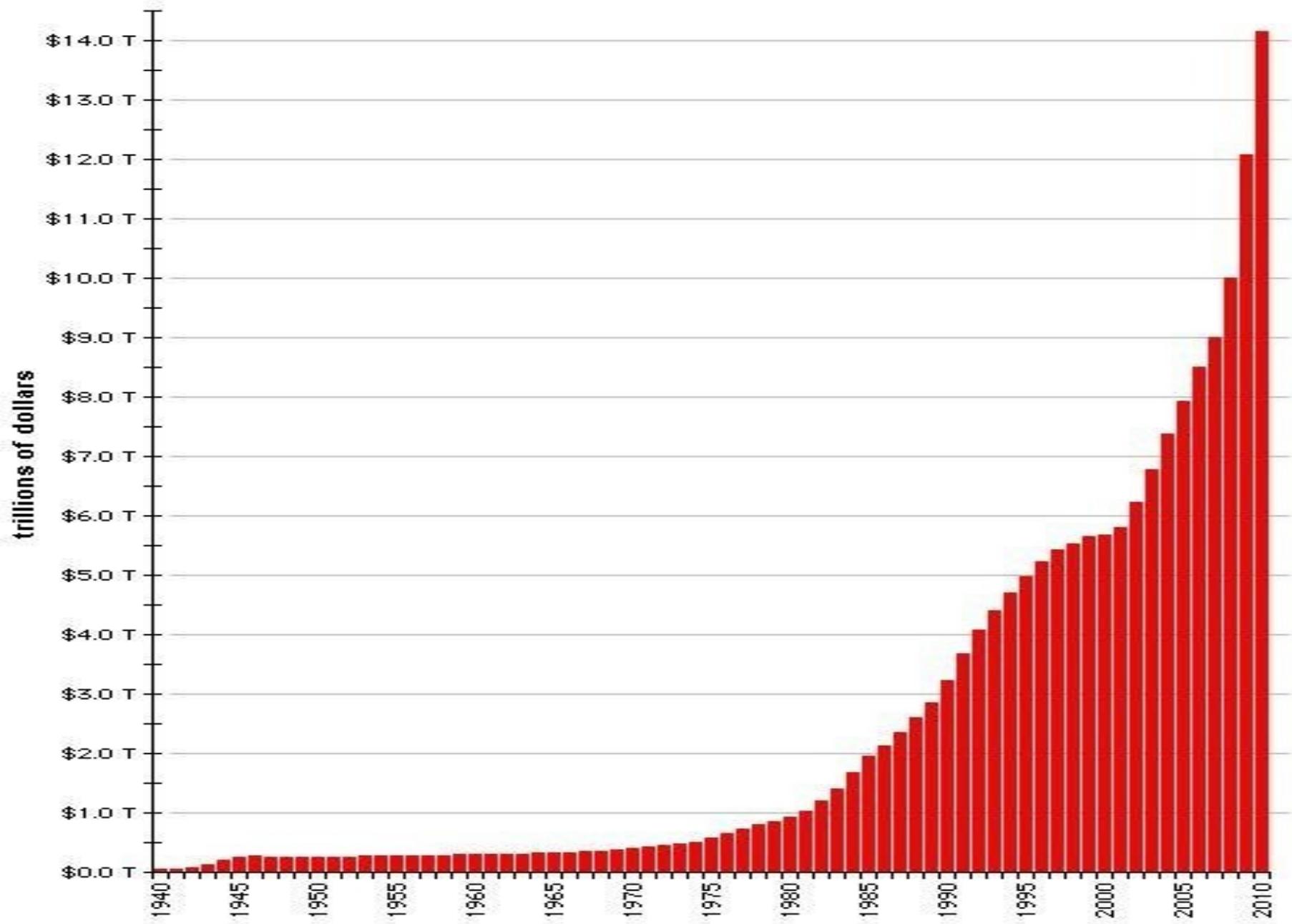
**State of Illinois Retirement Systems
Unfunded Liability (Using Market Value of Assets) as of June 30, 2010
(in \$ millions)**



Source: Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability, February 2011 Monthly Briefing, p. 9.

Federal Budget Surplus/(Deficit) History,

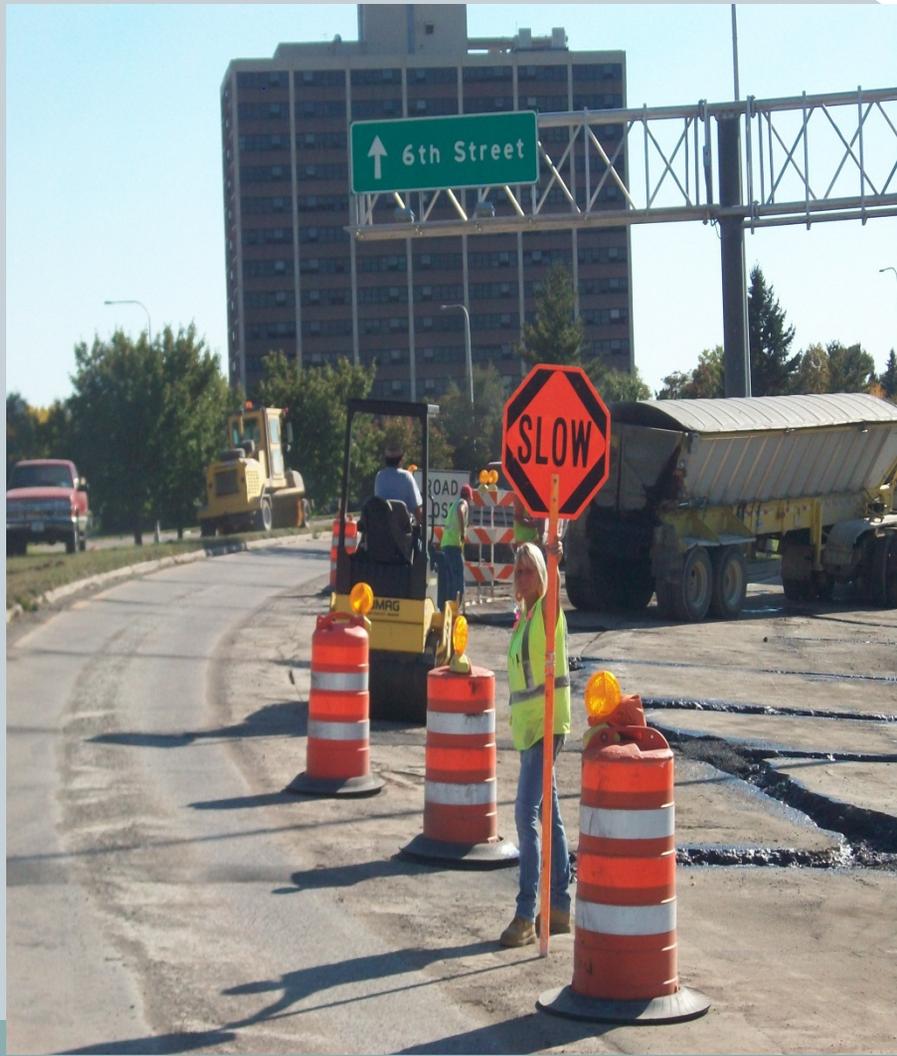




National Debt from 1940 to Present

Source: U.S. National Debt Clock
http://www.brillig.com/debt_clock/

Rebuilding Rockford Success



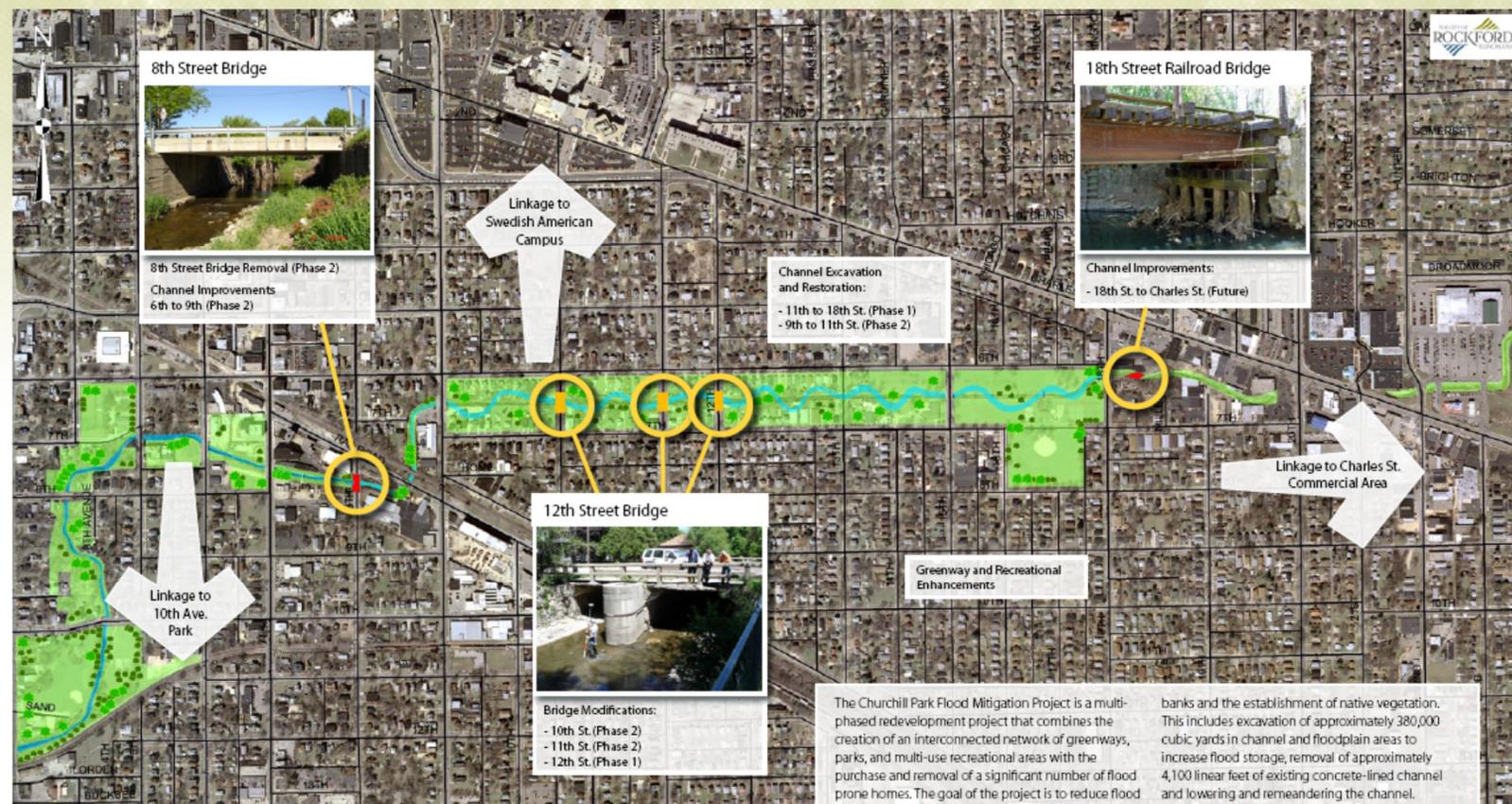


Keith Creek Improvements



Keith Creek Greenway Flood Mitigation Project

September 2009



The Churchill Park Flood Mitigation Project is a multi-phased redevelopment project that combines the creation of an interconnected network of greenways, parks, and multi-use recreational areas with the purchase and removal of a significant number of flood prone homes. The goal of the project is to reduce flood risks, improve water quality, and promote community cohesiveness and connectivity along Keith Creek.

Approximately 2.3 miles of stream channel will be restored by reshaping and stabilization of eroding

banks and the establishment of native vegetation. This includes excavation of approximately 380,000 cubic yards in channel and floodplain areas to increase flood storage, removal of approximately 4,100 linear feet of existing concrete-lined channel and lowering and re-meandering the channel. To improve flood conveyance, six restrictive bridge crossings were identified for modification to increase conveyance capacity by installing additional box culverts or complete removal.

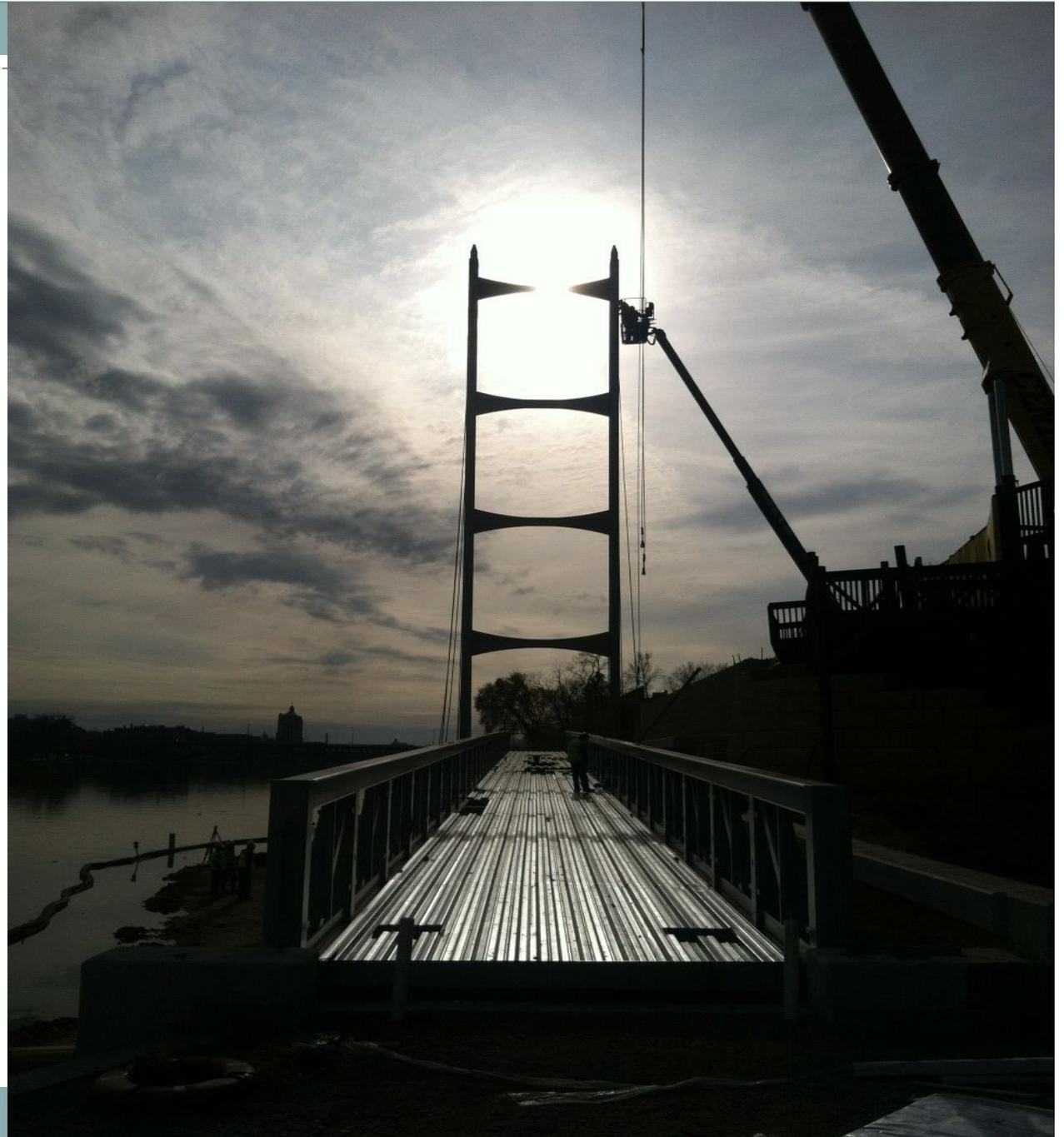


South Main Rail & Multi-Modal Transportation Station





Riverwalk



Water System Plan



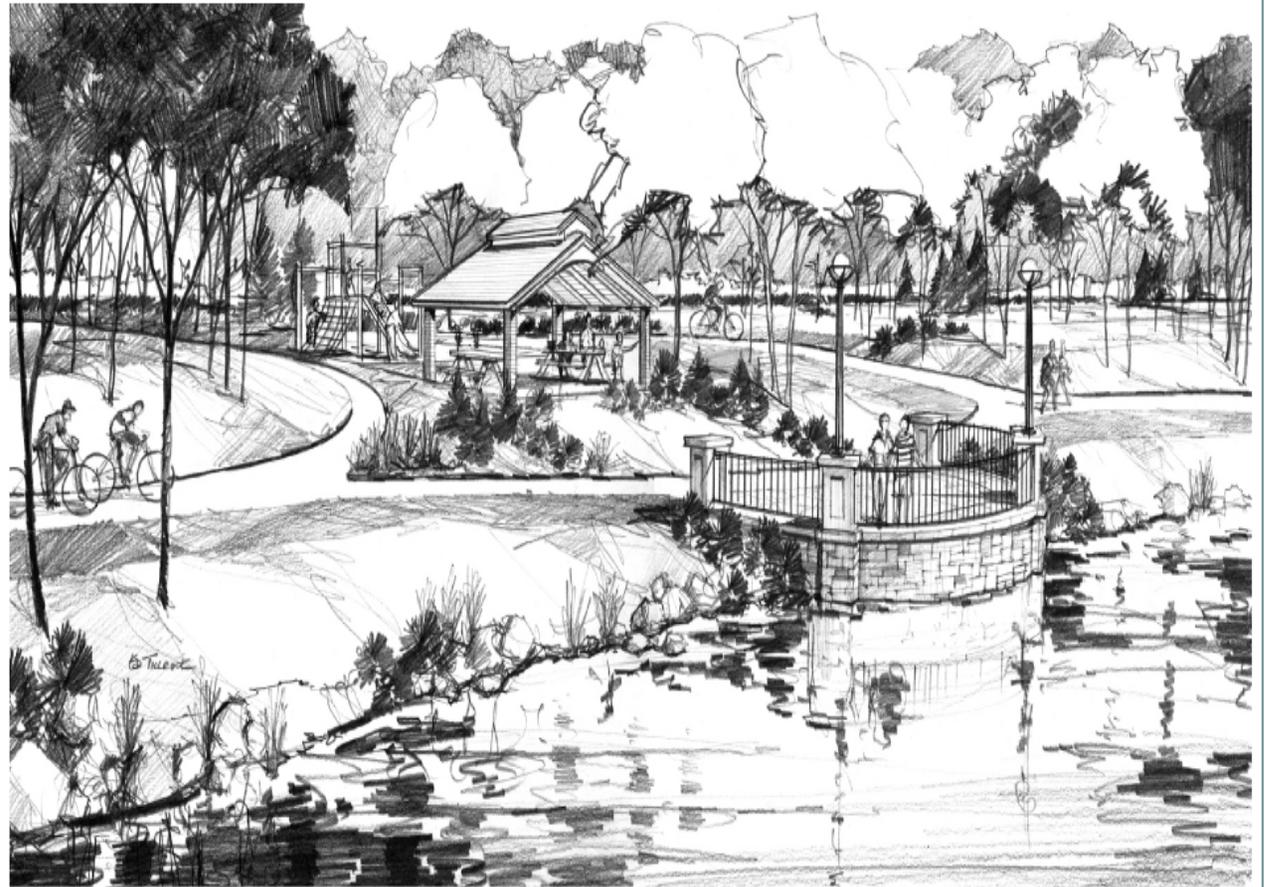
Greater Rockford Airport Partnership



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CHICAGO ROCKFORD  INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

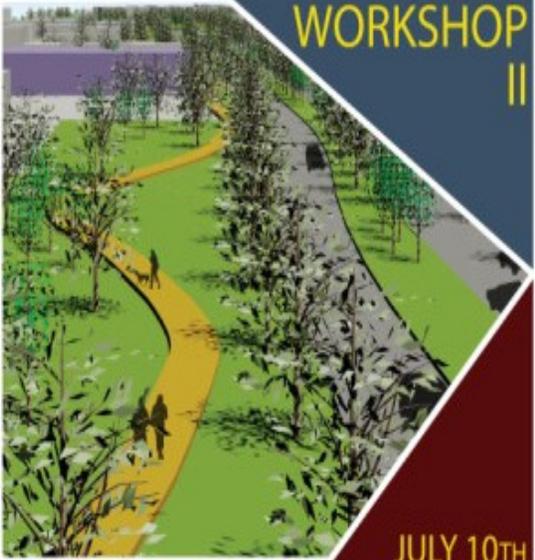




South Main



**WEST STATE STREET
LINEAR PARK
DESIGN
WORKSHOP II**



ARTIST'S CONCEPTUAL IMAGE



**JULY 10TH
12-4 PM**

**LOCATION:
FIRE STATION #6
3329 W. STATE ST.**

City of Rockford, Dept. of Public Works
For more information, please call 815.987.5570

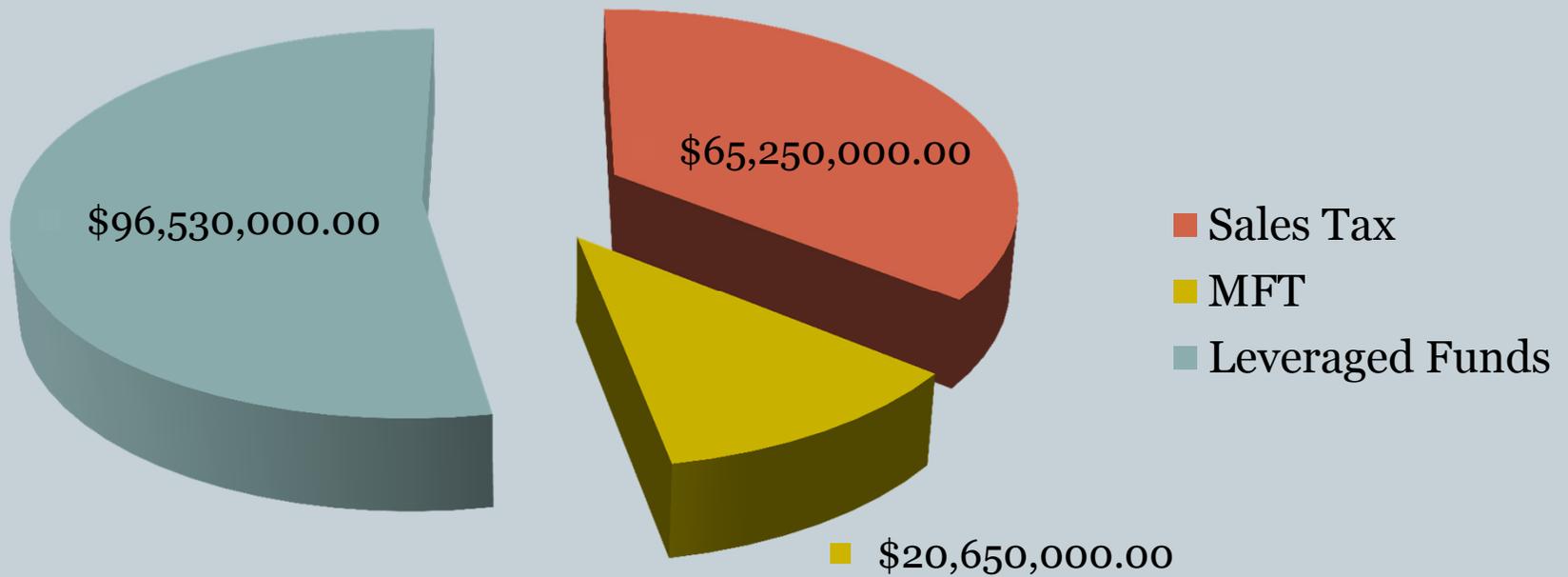


West State Street

Morgan Street Bridge



Capital Improvement Program

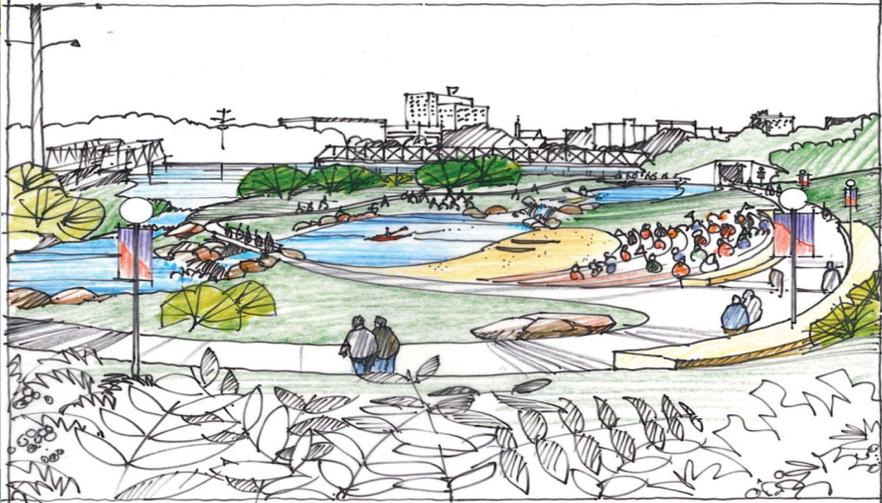


Building a Better Future



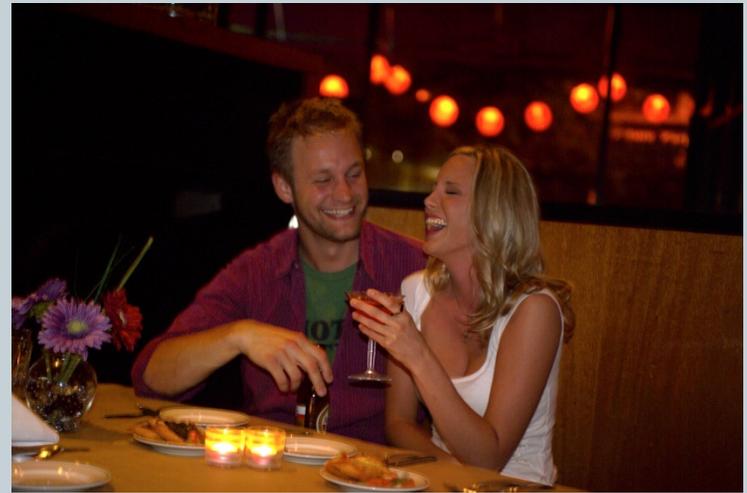
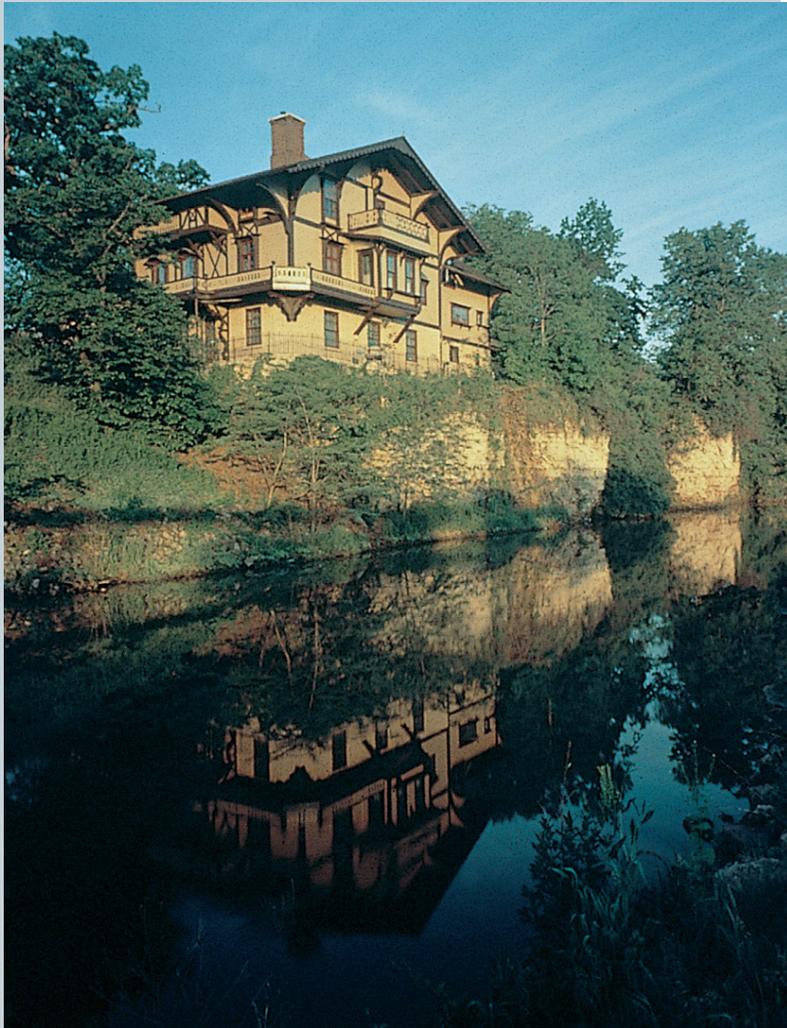
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Sports Venue



Larson & Darby Group
Architects Engineers Planners
Aerial Perspective 04.12.11

River Edge Grant



B.E. Aerospace

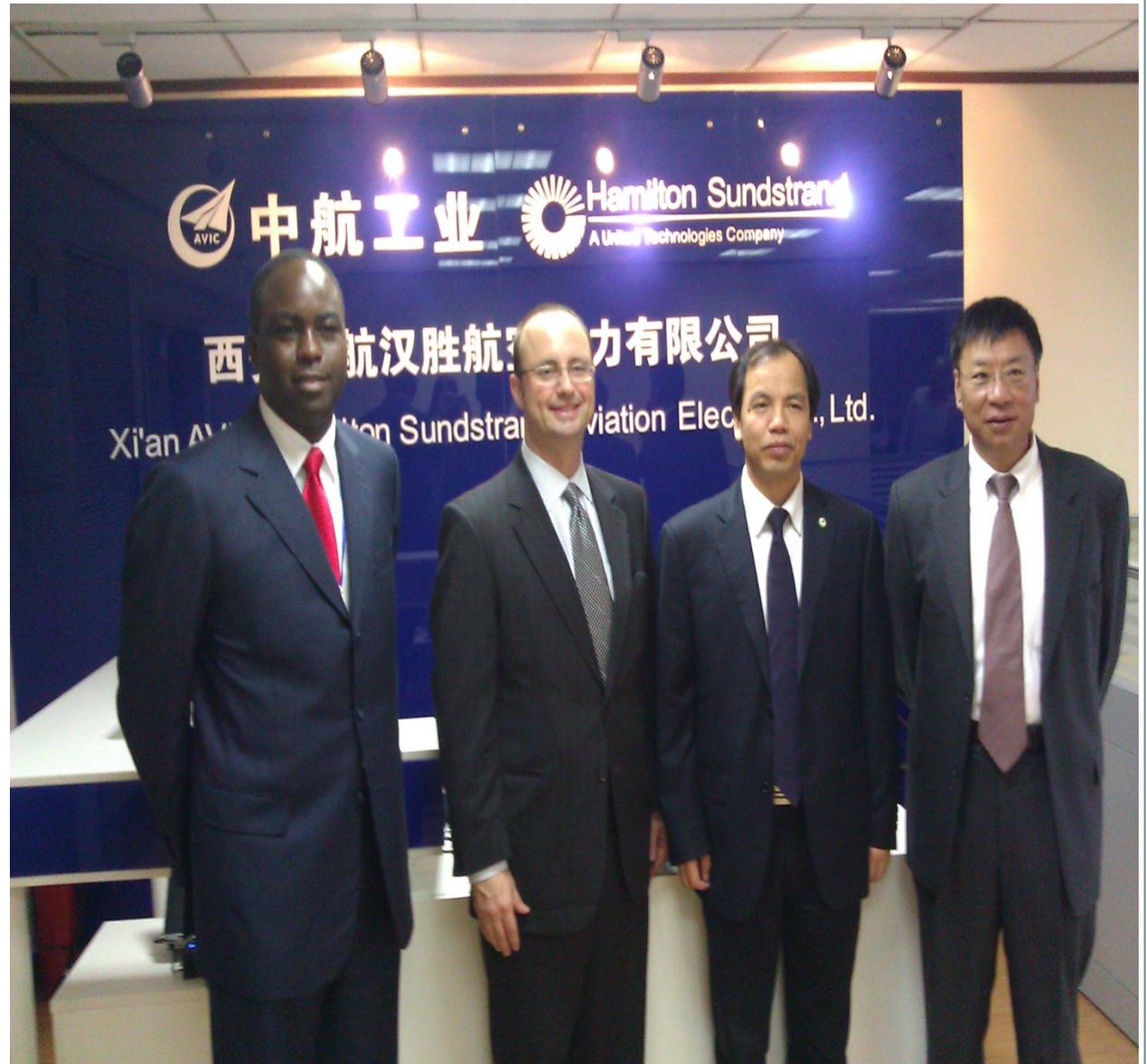


Economic Development





China



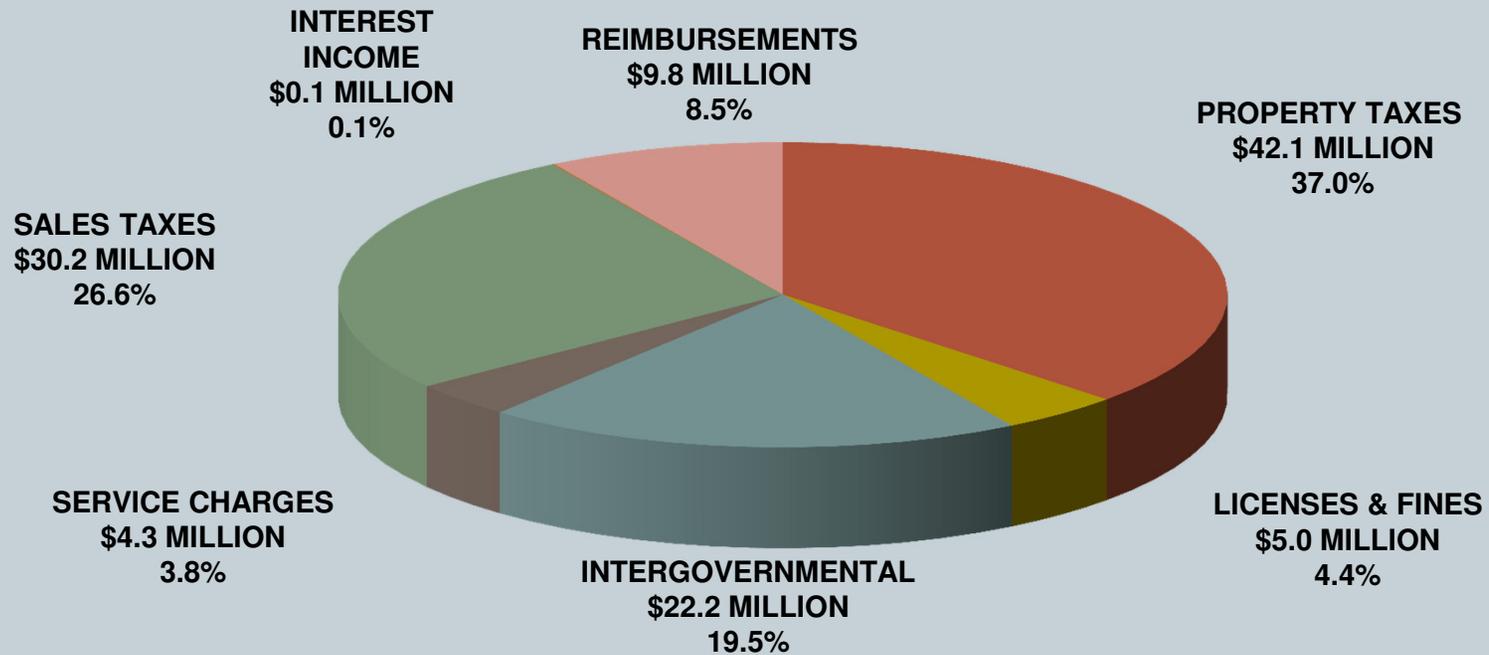
James Henry Breasted



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CITY OF ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS

2012 GENERAL FUND REVENUES



(2011 - \$112,890,632)

SOURCE: FINANCE OFFICE

PW-Street & Transportation Division

Dashboard

Monthly Performance		2010 Monthly Target	Jan	Feb	Mar
Street Operations	Open Pothole Requests	200	21	21	
	Potholes Patched	8500	7387	11009	
	Pothole Requests - Average Days to Close	5	2.2	2	
	Miles of Streets Swept	500	N/A	N/A	
	# Trees Trimmed	200	102	188	
	Open Forestry Requests	300	450	392	
	Forestry Requests - Average Days to Close	60	132	133	
	Total Requests	850	956	884	
	Total Requests - Average Days to Close	20	28.6	42	
	Total Open Requests	600	566	446	
Traffic Operations	% of Graffiti Requests removed in ≤ 5 days	95%	N/A	N/A	
	% Signals Repaired Compared to Reported	95%	99%	60%	
	% Signals Replaced Compared to Reported	95%	100%	50%	
	% of Signal Bulb Outages Responded in ≤ 24 hrs	95%	98%	99%	
	% of City Street Light Outages Responded in ≤ 5 days	95%	100%	96%	
	Parking Lot Striping % to Plan	95%	N/A	N/A	
	% Sign Repaired/Replace to Reported	95%	100%	100%	
	% Signs Repair/Replace Responded in ≤ 5 days	95%	100%	100%	

Quick Response Vehicle



Fire Accreditation Team



Vehicle Leasing





Emerald Ash Borer



Arborist Jim Teiber inspects trees in Joliet, where the invasive emerald ash borer beetle was first confirmed this spring.

Tree-killing pest eludes rising battle to squash it

Even newest weapon, parasitic wasps, could lose its sting as beetle munches across cities

By ANNEMARIE MANNION, MARY OWEN AND JIM JAWORSKI
Tribune reporters

The emerald ash borer beetle has been confirmed in 22 additional suburban communities this spring as the battle against the exotic tree-killer continues, including the newest weapon — a parasitic wasp.

Michigan researchers will return this year to determine whether 300 *Dacnusa* wasps released in Chicago and Evanston established a population. Local officials acknowledge that the news may not be good.

"Emerald ash borer has continually gotten worse each year since we found it in 2006," said Paul D'Agostino, the superintendent of parks, forestry and



TRIBUNE PHOTO 2006

"There is no silver bullet, no magic potion that will save a tree once it is affected," a state coordinator says.

facilities for the city of Evanston. "We have not seen any results. We can't stop it."

The ash borer has aggressively infested dozens of communities in the

Chicago area, attacking and slowly killing ash trees just as the experts predicted when it was discovered in Illinois.

New this year are confirmed infestations in Hinsdale, Deerfield, Gurnee, Lake Zurich, Rolling Meadows, Joliet and at least 16 other communities, officials said. It has not been found outside the state's quarantined areas.

While some communities have tried to fight it by applying chemicals, cutting down ash trees and even releasing the beetle's nemesis parasite, the measures haven't stopped the problem.

"EAB can infest a tree and be there for six or seven years before anyone has the slightest feeling it is there," said Julian Heminghous, emerald ash borer outreach coordinator for the Illinois Department of Agriculture. "It devastates the entire canopy of the tree."

With its flashy, metallic-green body

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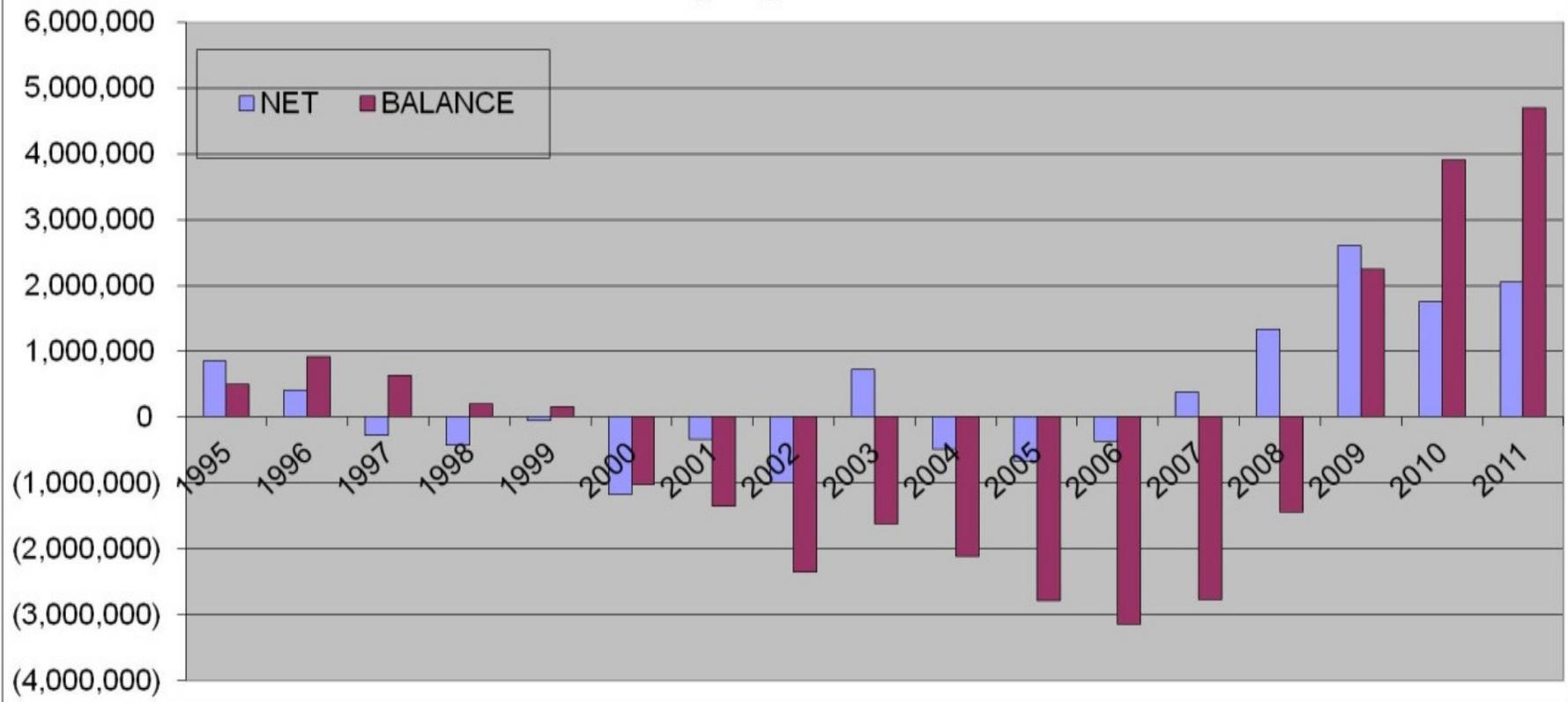


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Healthy Rockford



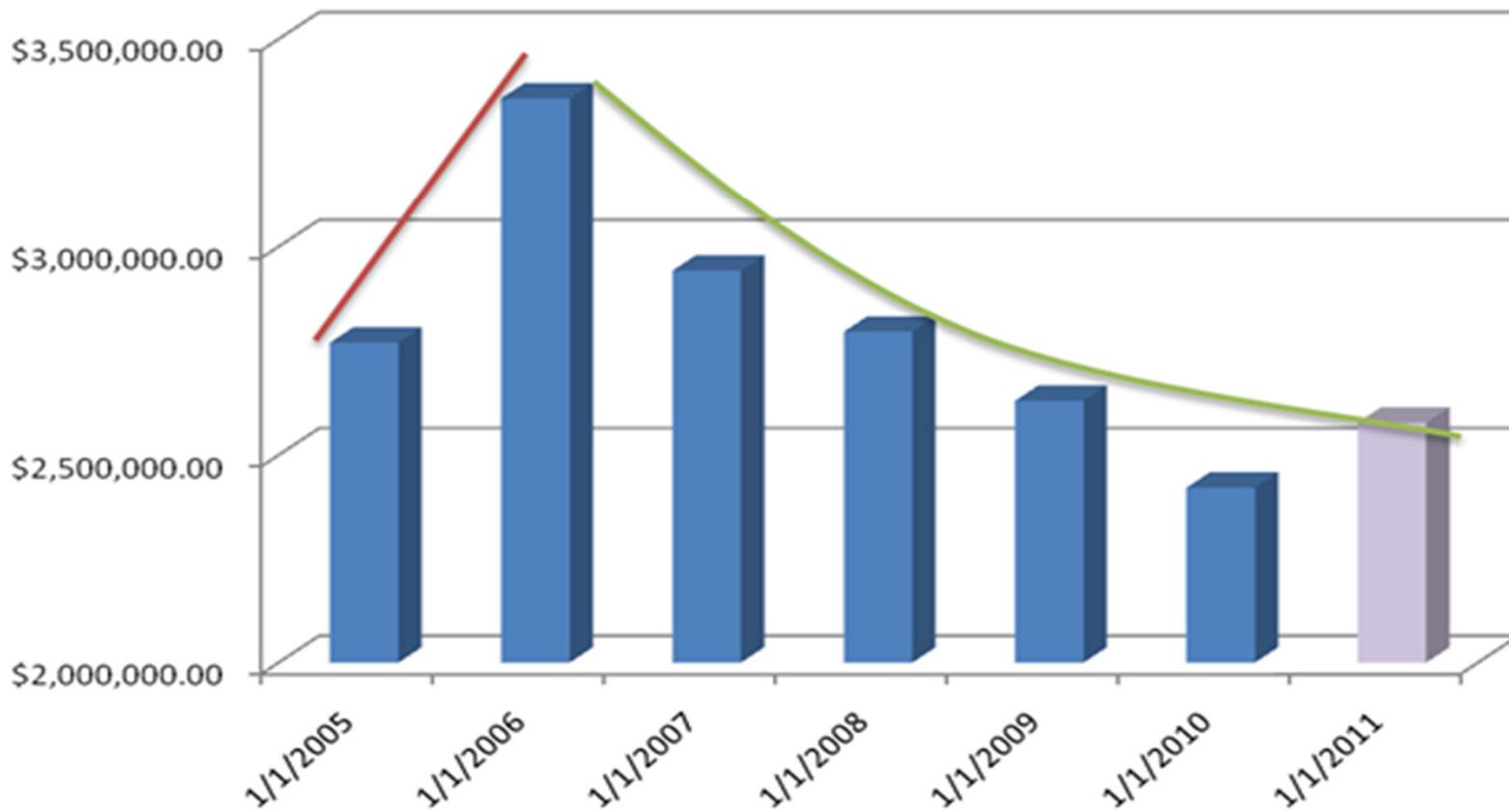
**NET Difference Between Actual and Budgeted Expenses
and
Ongoing BALANCE**



Healthy Rockford



COR Rx Spend by Year



Healthy Rockford



- Claim Costs Related to Unhealthy Behavior:
 - 9% in 2005
 - 5% in 2009!

○ Cost to the plan:	2005	2009
✦ Physical Inactivity	\$615,109	\$235,829
✦ Poor Nutrition	\$884,160	\$583,261
✦ Tobacco Use	\$714,976	\$322,894

Legislative Calls to Action



- ✓ *Pension Reform: Current as well as Future Employees*
- ✓ *Collective Bargaining and Arbitration Reforms:*
 - ✓ Eliminate “Minimum Manning” Provisions.
 - ✓ Clarify that “ability to pay” is based on current revenues.
 - ✓ Repeal the 2007 “Anti-Substitution” Law that prevents Rockford from using part-time firefighters.

WHAT IS THE QUESTION THAT WILL APPEAR ON THE REFERENDUM?



“Shall the City of Rockford have the authority to arrange for the supply of electricity for its residential and small commercial retail customers who have not opted out of such program?”

Citizens will have the opportunity to simply
vote

“Yes” or “No”

Seize the opportunity to yield potential
savings of 15-30% on electric supply rates

Index Crime Rate 2002 - 2011

(crimes per 100,000 residents)



Violent Index Crime Rate 2002 - 2011

(crimes per 1,000 residents)



Operation Clean Sweep



Citizen Involvement



*We want to hear
from you*

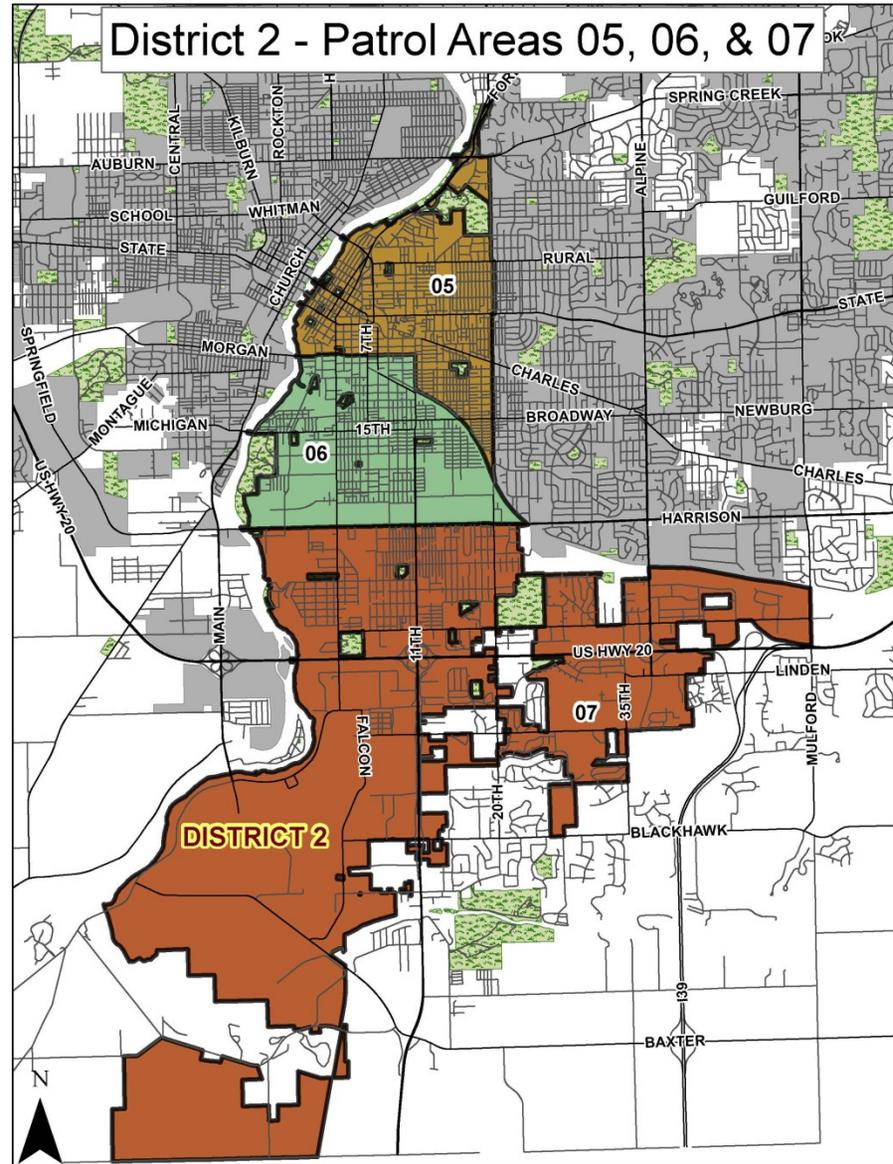


**How to report your
experience with the
Rockford Police Department**

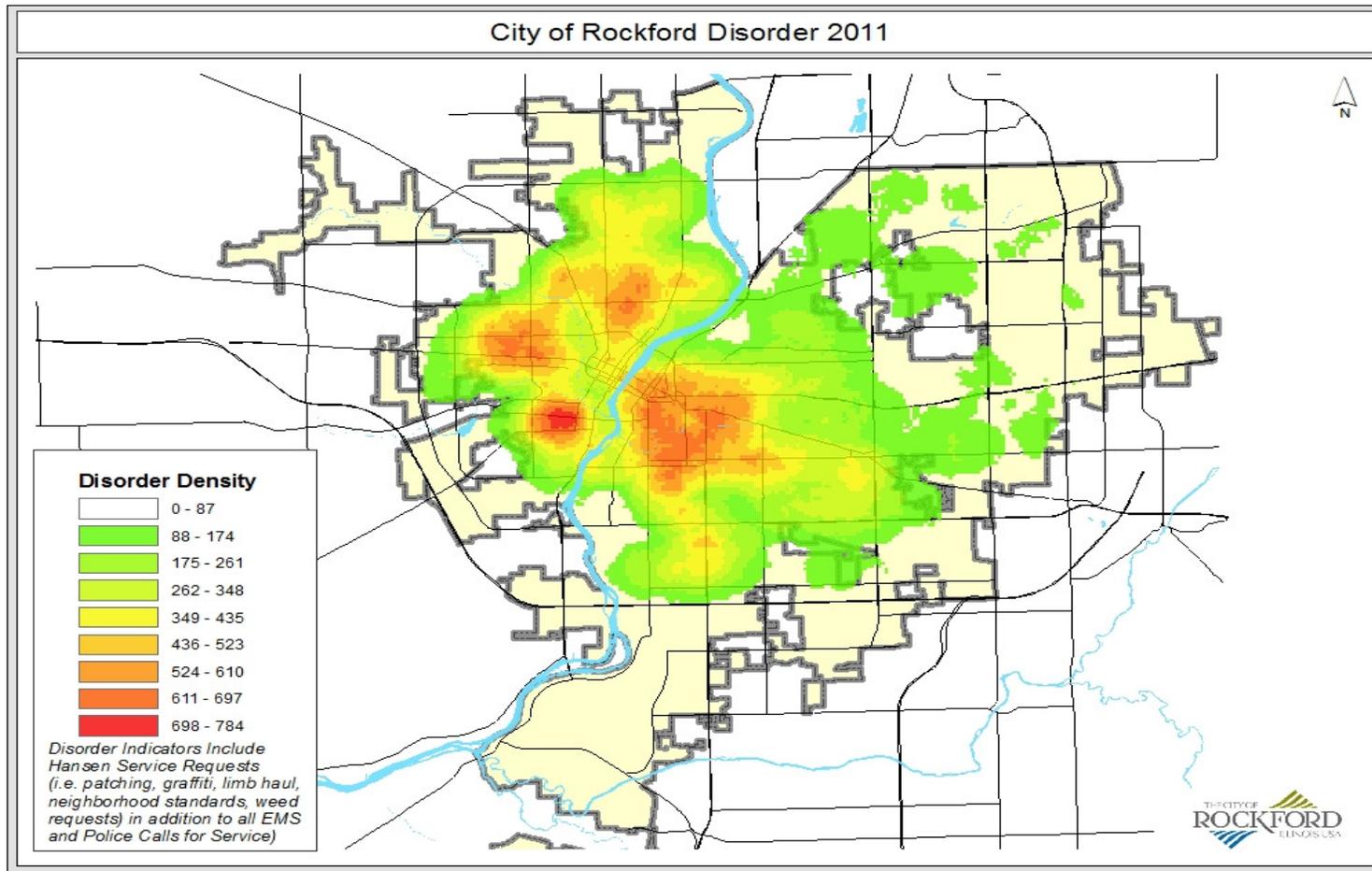
**Como reportar sus
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de Policia de Rockford**



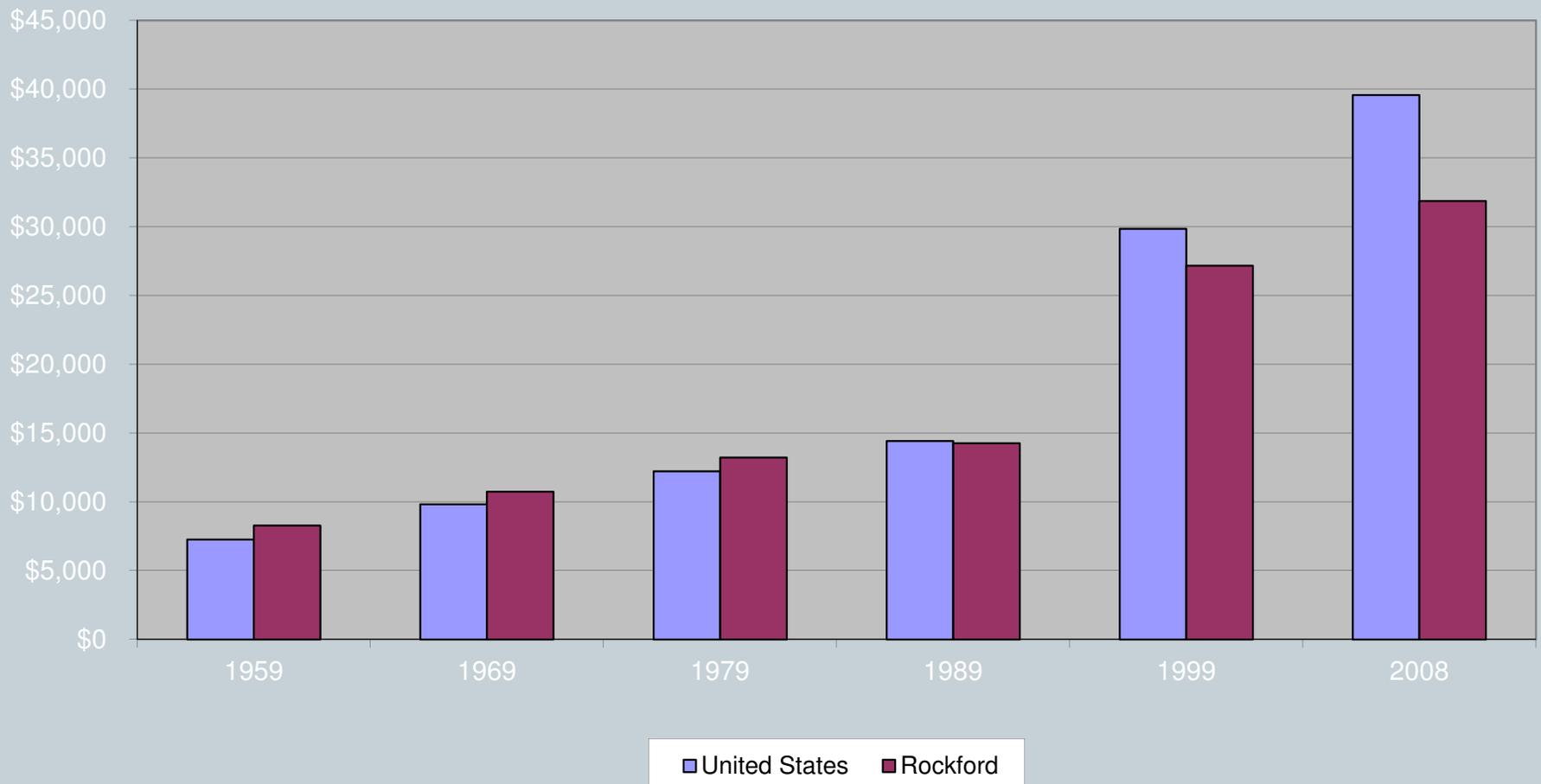
District 2 Map



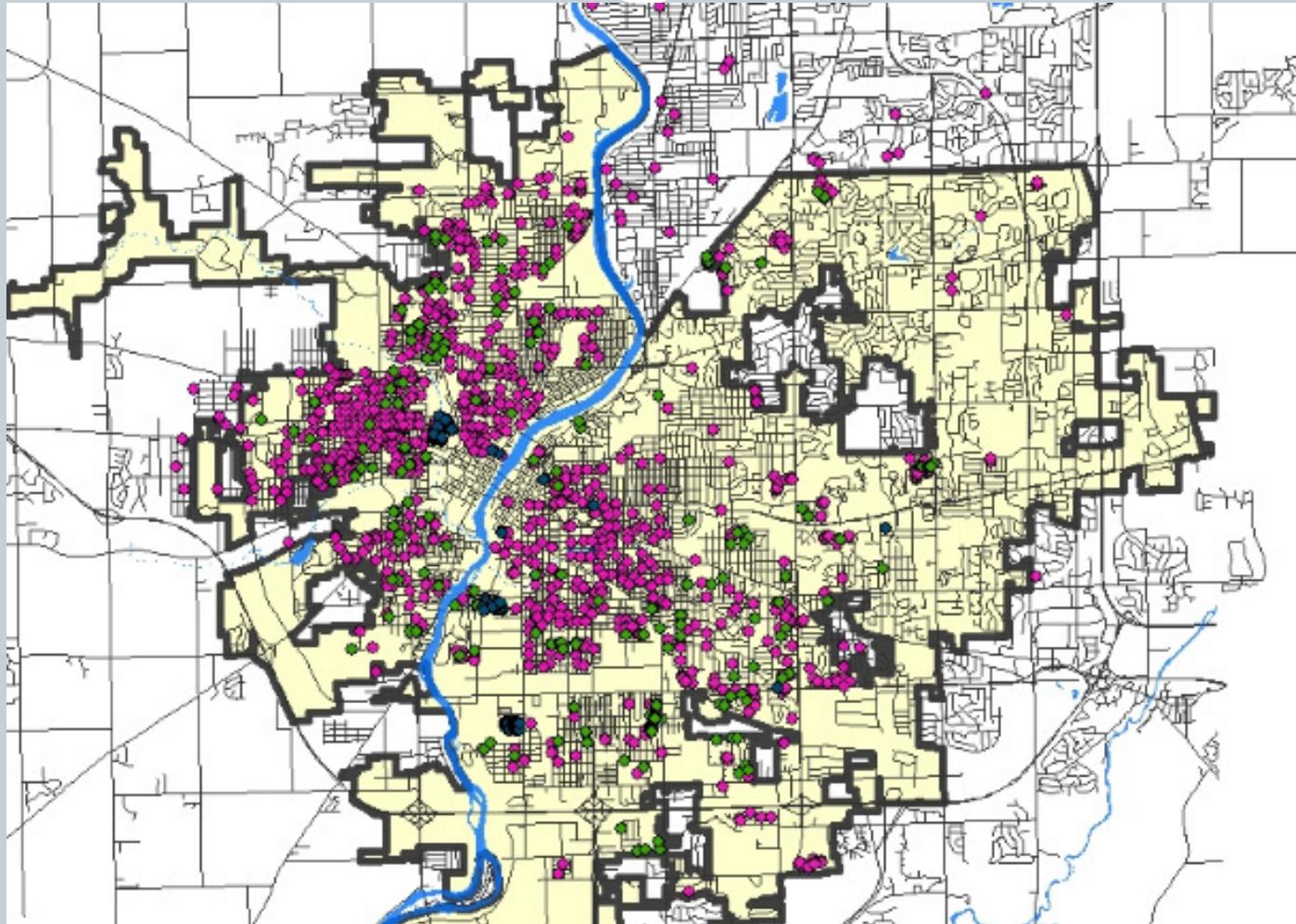
City Service Calls



Rockford MSA Per Capita Income Compared to U.S. Average (A Fifty Year Perspective)



Section 8 and Public Housing

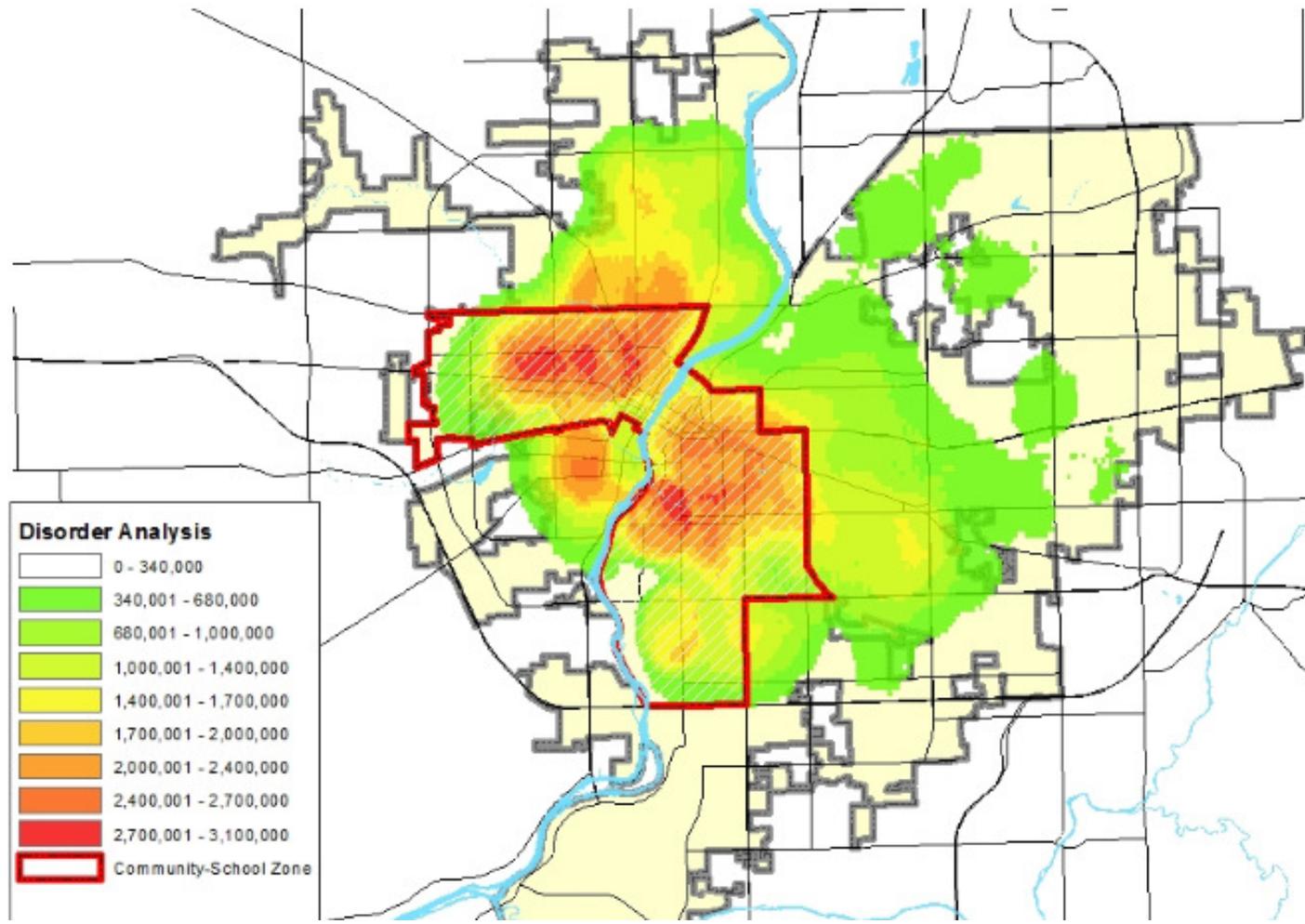


District 205
“Readiness Rocks”



- **College and Career Readiness**
- **Seven Periods to Success**
- **21st-Century Learning Environment**
- **Preschool for All**
- **College for All**

Community School Empowerment Zones



RHA Video



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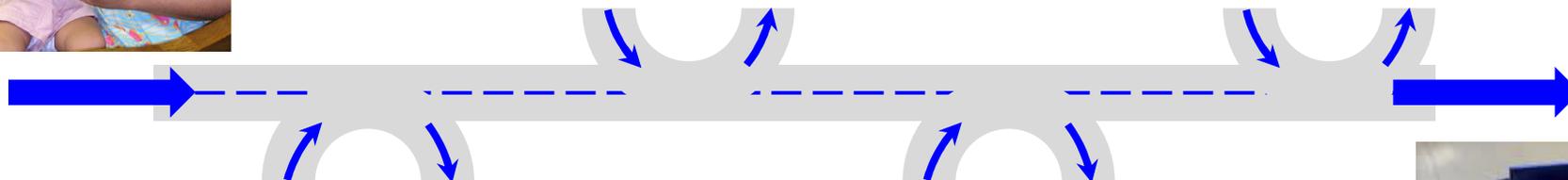
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Preschool For All



Road to Economic Prosperity



Create talent highway with on and off ramps for 21st century careers

Transform Schools to Meet Demand of a New Age



Look beyond graduation -
Towards a lifetime of learning



**Teach Students
How To:**

Solve
Create
Discover
Understand
Communicate

Create talent pipeline with exit points for relevant 21st century careers

Heartland Video



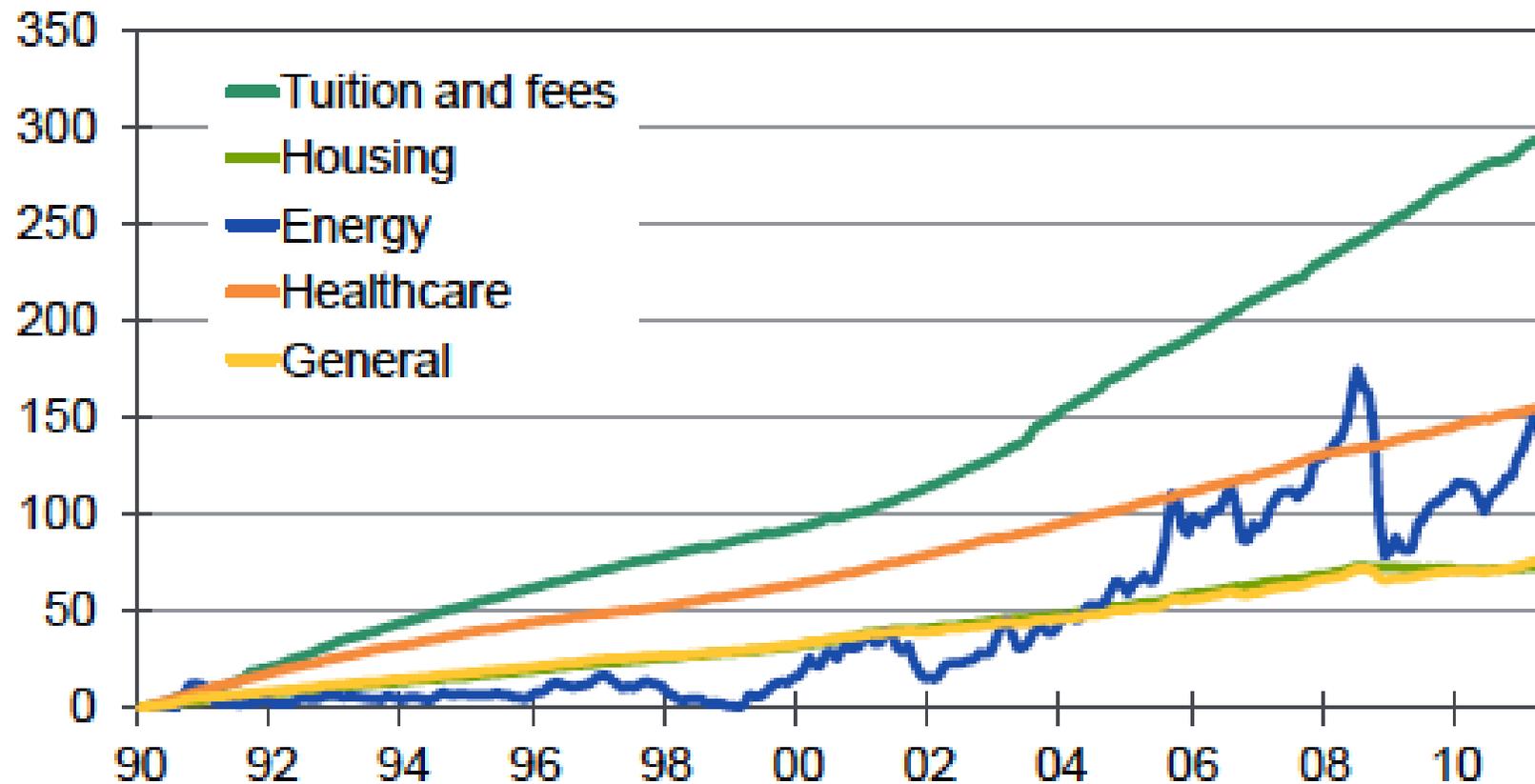
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College for All



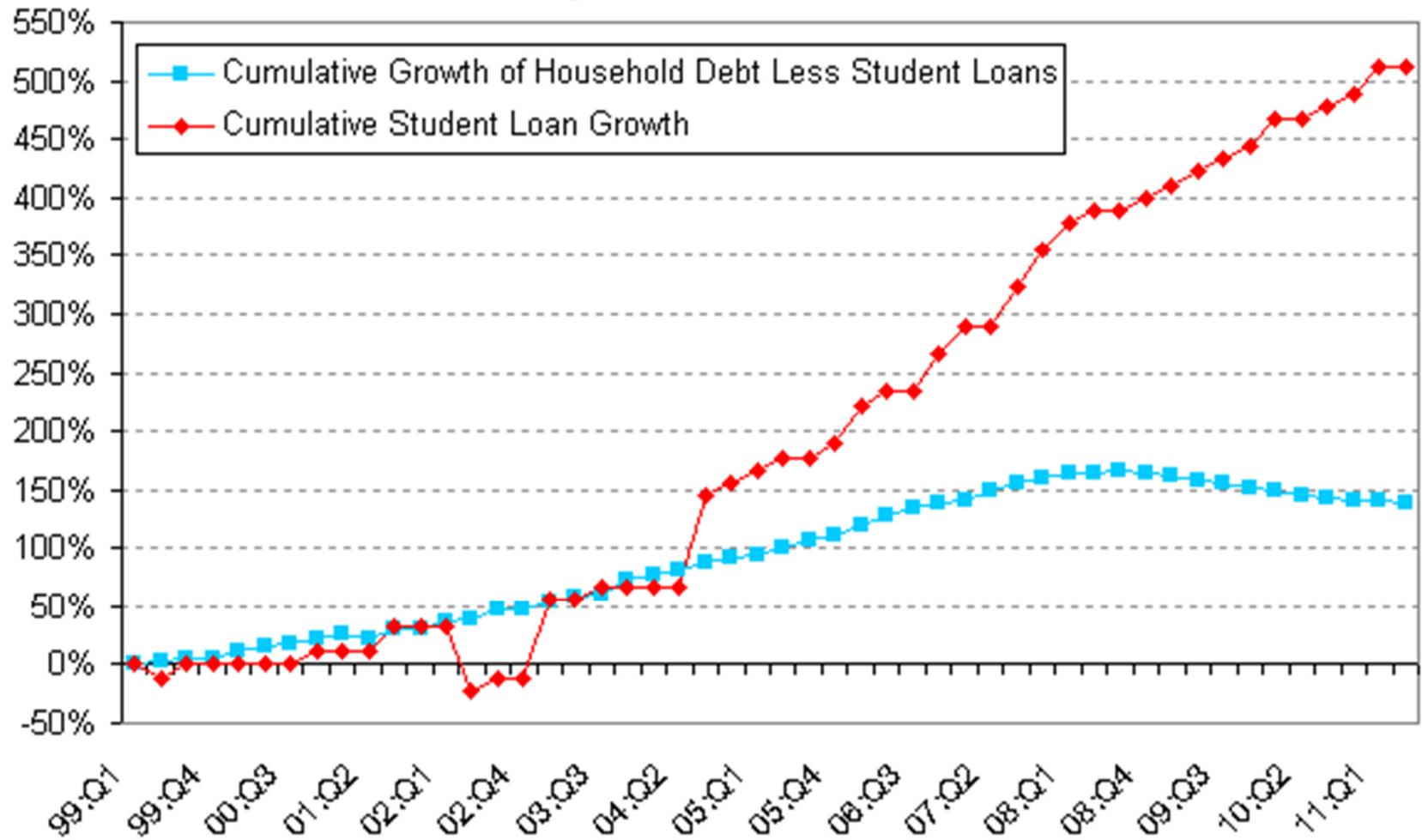
Chart 7: Tuition Vs. Other Price Indices

CPI, cumulative % change since 1990



Sources: BLS. Moody's Analytics

The Crazy Growth of Student Loans



Sources: New York Fed, Bureau of Economic Analysis



The actual skills required

New World of Work



VS

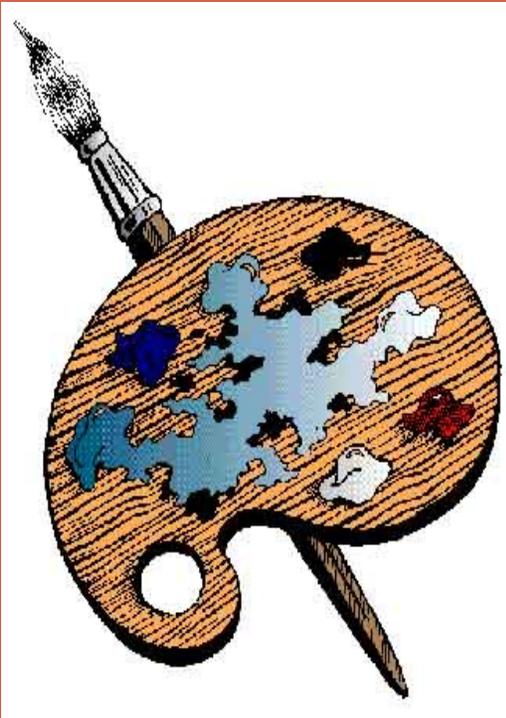


Old World Classroom

Skills being taught



**Academy for
Performing,
Visual & Digital
Arts**



Vince the Taylor



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