



CITY OF SAFETY HARBOR COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

FY 23/24 Annual Report



REPORT PURPOSE

The City of Safety Harbor Community Redevelopment Agency Fiscal Year 23/24 Annual Report covers all activities from October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024 to document its progress in achieving the goals, objectives and action strategies set forth in the adopted Community Redevelopment Plan. Pursuant to Section 163.371(2) of Florida Statutes, the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) is required to:

“... file an annual report with the county or municipality that created the agency and publish the report on agency’s website. The report must include the following information:

(a) The most recent complete audit report of the redevelopment trust fund as required in s. 163.387(8). If the audit report for the previous year is not available by March 31, a community redevelopment agency shall publish the audit report on its website within 45 days after completion.

(b) The performance data for each plan authorized, administered, or overseen by the community redevelopment agency as of December 31 of the reporting year, including the:

- 1. Total number of projects started and completed and the estimated cost for each project.*
- 2. Total expenditures from the redevelopment trust fund.*
- 3. Original assessed real property values within the community redevelopment agency’s area of authority as of the day the agency was created.*
- 4. Total assessed real property values of property within the boundaries of the community redevelopment agency as of January 1 of the reporting year.*
- 5. Total amount expended for affordable housing for low-income and middle-income residents.*

(c) A summary indicating to what extent, if any, the community redevelopment agency has achieved the goals set out in its community redevelopment plan.”

The purpose of this Annual Report is to satisfy the requirements of Section 163.371(2) and to provide the public with useful information concerning the Community Redevelopment Area and Agency.

INTRODUCTION

The City's Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) was created in 1992 by City Resolution 92-96, to plan, promote, and carry-out downtown revitalization projects and initiatives targeted at removing real and perceived barriers to community redevelopment. The CRA continues to focus on fixing the basics and making the downtown a better version of what it already is – a walkable town center framed by traditional neighborhoods. The CRA's strategic investments in infrastructure, public facilities and matching grants for private improvements have generated positive momentum in business and real estate activity that have made the downtown a more vital and vibrant activity center within Pinellas county.

City Resolution 92-26 declares that the five (5) members of the City Commission shall constitute the Community Redevelopment Agency. Pinellas County, a charter county, delegated the powers and authority to the City by County Resolution 92-152. The City Manager acts as the Executive Director and the City Attorney provides the Agency with legal counsel.

In 2022, the City of Safety Harbor worked with Pinellas County to extend the CRA sunset date ten years to 2032. The extension was approved by the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners on May 21, 2024.

The CRA will continue its track record of success by building upon existing assets, proactively facilitating private sector initiatives that align with community goals, sponsoring special events and marketing the downtown as a unique destination place in the region.

23/24 CRA BOARD



Mayor Joe Ayoub



**Vice Mayor Commissioner
Andy Steingold**



Commissioner Carlos Diaz



Commissioner Nancy Besore



**Commissioner Cliff Merz
Left Office March 2024**



**Commissioner Jacob Burnett
Entered Office March 2024**

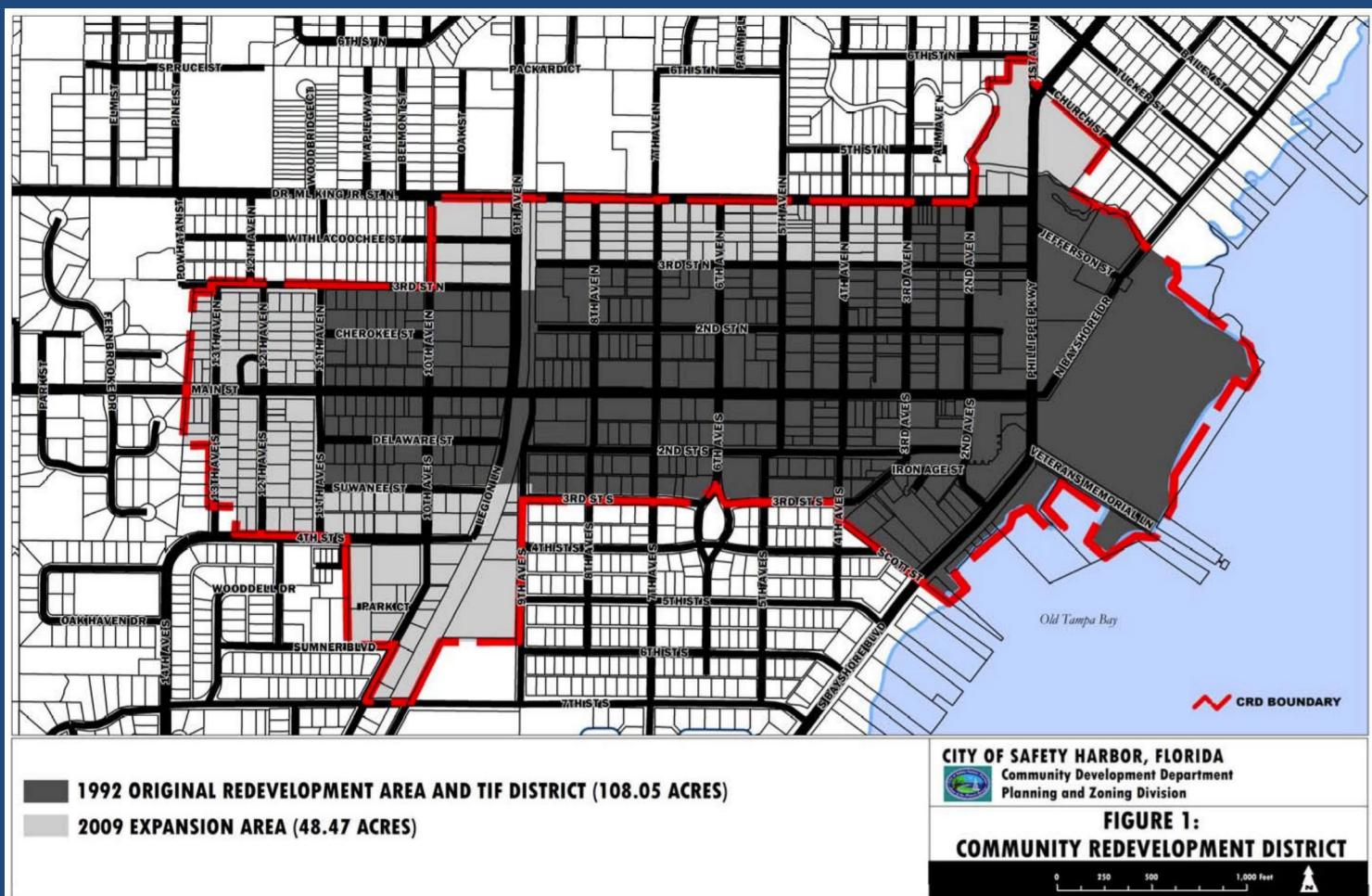
CRA FINANCIALS

City Ordinance 92-24 and County Ordinance 92-60 established the Redevelopment Trust Fund in 1992. The Tax Increment Finance District covers properties inside the Original CRA (approximately 108-acres).

In 2009, the City Commission approved an updated Downtown Master Plan that broadened the scope of community redevelopment efforts to include a 48-acre expansion area. The Master Plan was later adopted into the City's Comprehensive Plan as the Special Area Plan to the Community Redevelopment District. The City's Comprehensive Zoning and Land Development Code has been updated to incorporate new standards and regulations that will ensure historical development patterns remain intact while providing necessary flexibility to accommodate desired infill and redevelopment.

At this time, there are no plans to establish a tax increment finance district for the expansion area. The CRA is primarily funded through tax increment finance revenues. The ad valorem millage rate for FY 23/24 was 3.9500.

Capital projects and other operating expenses related to the downtown funded by the City of Safety Harbor are detailed in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the City.



COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
(A BLENDED COMPONENT UNIT OF THE CITY OF SAFETY HARBOR, FLORIDA)
GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE SHEET AND STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Adjustments</u>	<u>Statement of Net Position</u>
ASSETS			
Current Assets:			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 2,654,532	\$ -	\$ 2,654,532
Accounts Receivable	2,024	-	2,024
Total Current Assets	<u>2,656,556</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,656,556</u>
Noncurrent Assets:			
Capital assets			
Nondepreciable	-	913,418	913,418
Total Noncurrent Assets	<u>-</u>	<u>913,418</u>	<u>913,418</u>
Total Assets	2,656,556	913,418	3,569,974
LIABILITIES			
Accrued Liabilities	1,921	-	1,921
Advance from Primary Government	900,000	-	900,000
Total Liabilities	<u>901,921</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>901,921</u>
FUND BALANCE/NET POSITION			
Fund Balance:			
Restricted for Community Redevelopment	1,694,042	(1,694,042)	-
Assigned for Community Redevelopment	60,593	(60,593)	-
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$ 1,754,635</u>	<u>(1,754,635)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Position:			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	913,418	913,418	913,418
Restricted for Community Redevelopment	1,694,042	1,694,042	1,694,042
Unrestricted	60,593	60,593	60,593
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 2,668,053</u>	<u>\$ 2,668,053</u>	<u>\$ 2,668,053</u>

COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
(A BLENDED COMPONENT UNIT OF THE CITY OF SAFETY HARBOR, FLORIDA)
GOVERNMENTAL FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE AND STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	General Fund	Adjustments	Statement of Activities
EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES			
General Government	\$ 180,960	\$ -	\$ 180,960
Capital Outlay	913,418	(913,418)	-
Total Expenses	1,094,378	(913,418)	180,960
GENERAL REVENUES			
Taxes	1,106,657	-	1,106,657
Investment Income	42,283	-	42,283
Total Revenues	1,148,940	-	1,148,940
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES	<u>54,562</u>	<u>913,418</u>	<u>967,980</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Transfers from Primary Government	640	-	640
Transfers to Primary Government	(129,700)	-	(129,700)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(129,060)	-	(129,060)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE/NET POSITION	<u>(74,498)</u>	<u>913,418</u>	<u>838,920</u>
Fund Balance/Net Position - Beginning of Year	<u>1,829,133</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,829,133</u>
FUND BALANCE/NET POSITION - END OF YEAR	<u><u>\$ 1,754,635</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,668,053</u></u>

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COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
(A BLENDED COMPONENT UNIT OF THE CITY OF SAFETY HARBOR, FLORIDA)
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE – GENERAL FUND
YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	Budget			Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final	Actual	
REVENUES				
Taxes	\$ 1,118,280	\$ 1,118,280	\$ 1,106,657	\$ (11,623)
Other Revenue	615,140	615,140	-	(615,140)
Investment Income	7,500	7,500	42,283	34,783
Total Revenues	<u>1,740,920</u>	<u>1,740,920</u>	<u>1,148,940</u>	<u>(591,980)</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Personnel Services	54,340	54,340	52,870	1,470
General Operating Expenses	274,590	279,645	128,090	151,555
Capital Projects	2,975,240	900,000	913,418	(13,418)
Total Expenditures	<u>3,304,170</u>	<u>1,233,985</u>	<u>1,094,378</u>	<u>139,607</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(1,563,250)	506,935	54,562	(452,373)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers from Primary Government	640	900,640	640	(900,000)
Transfers to Primary Government	(129,700)	(129,700)	(129,700)	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(129,060)</u>	<u>770,940</u>	<u>(129,060)</u>	<u>(900,000)</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(1,692,310)	1,277,875	(74,498)	(1,352,373)
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	<u>1,692,310</u>	<u>(1,277,875)</u>	<u>1,829,133</u>	<u>3,107,008</u>
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,754,635</u>	<u>\$ 1,754,635</u>

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FY 23/24 BUDGET

Note: The following pages are from the adopted FY23/24 CRA Budget and do not reflect actual expenditures during the fiscal year.

COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

In 1992, the City of Safety Harbor established a Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) to guide the implementation of the Safety Harbor Downtown Master Plan. Since its creation, the CRA has been successful in improving the physical and economic conditions of the district through strategic investments in public facilities and infrastructure and by providing matching grants to encourage the redevelopment, rehabilitation, and reuse of vacant and underutilized buildings. The CRA uses Tax Increment Financing (TIF) as its primary method of funding community redevelopment projects and initiatives.

Current and Prior Year Accomplishments (FY 22-23)

Implementation of the Downtown Master Plan is motivated by the City's desire to achieve its vision of becoming a vibrant destination city with a unique quality of life – a City is successful in balancing responsible, innovative growth with careful preservation of its small town atmosphere, its quaint character, and its valued treasures. According to the Citizen Survey performed in tandem with the visioning process, the majority of residents feel that the City, in addition to ensuring public safety and protecting the environment, should concentrate its redevelopment efforts on: (1) addressing traffic safety and parking issues; (2) bringing in more dining and retail stores Downtown, (3) encouraging compatible economic development and diversification of the tax base; and (4) addressing the availability of affordable housing.

In FY 22-23, the following projects were funded by the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA):

Arts, Preservation, Culture and Environment

- Design for the 4,800 square foot second floor addition to the library.

Public Realm

- Main Street at 4th Avenue Brick Intersection Repair:

Construction for the re-habilitation of the brick intersection of Main Street at 4th Avenue was completed in May 2022. City Engineering Department provided an in-house design of the brick intersection rehabilitation project at Main Street and 4th Avenue. Construction began in April 2022 and was completed in May 2022. The design of the intersection, sub-base, and grading improved the drainage and longevity of the intersection. Improvements included the removal of the existing brick and underlying asphalt, and replacing with 16 inches of base material, a thin sand layer, and larger brick coated with polymeric sand. The improvements will allow for better drainage of the intersection. The larger bricks will be less likely to move and the polymeric sand will resist movement of the sand, both of which will provide for longevity to the intersection.

- Main Street Intersection Repairs at 2nd Avenue, 4th Avenue, 5th Avenue and North Bayshore:

Brick intersection repairs were done to intersections at Main Street and 2nd Avenue, 4th Avenue, 5th Avenue and Main Street at Philippe Parkway North crosswalk in August 2022. Bricks were sinking due to water infiltration. Contractor installed additional subbase and re-set the bricks to level and installed polymeric sand to correct water infiltration issue.

Economic Development

- The CRA approved \$52,883.75 in downtown partnership grants in two cycles. Non-residential grants were approved for Backwater, Aerie Lane, House of Petals, Guy Gannaway, Condominium Association of Harbor Oaks, and the Blend.

Land Acquisition

- CRA funds were used to pay debt associated with the Waterfront Park and Baranoff Oak Park land purchases.

A Downtown Master Plan update was completed to extend the Community Redevelopment District sunset date by 10 years.

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Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Goals

Goals for FY 2023-23 goals include design of the library addition and continuation of the Downtown Partnership Grant and Public Art programs. CRA funds will be used to pay debt associated with the Waterfront Park and Baranoff Oak Park land purchases.

Safety Harbor Library Second Floor Addition and First Floor Lighting upgrades

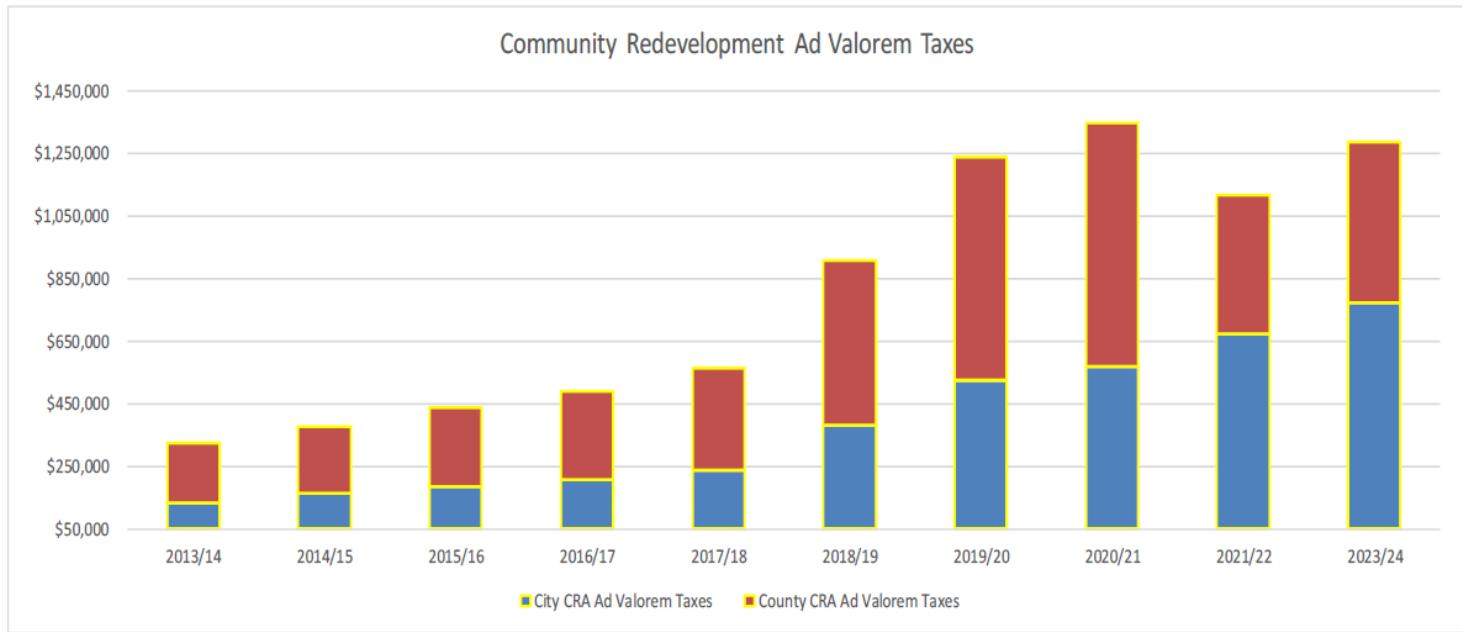
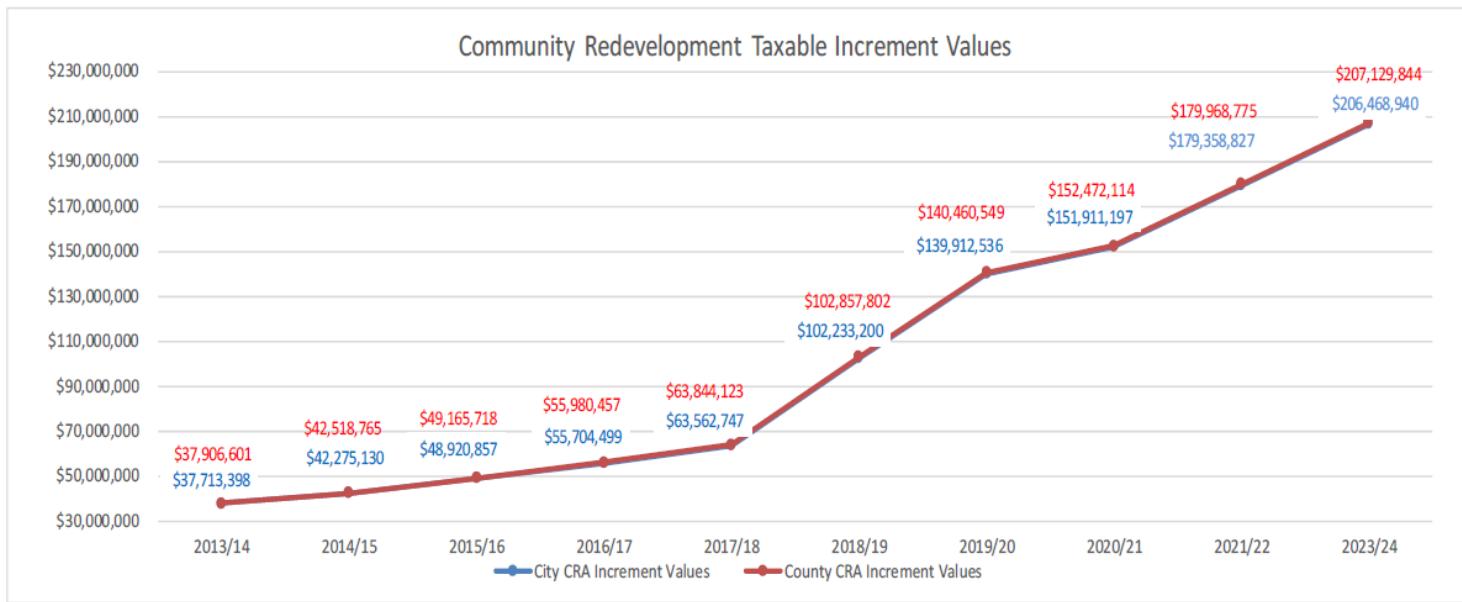
On January 6, 2020, City Commission approved the design and permitting of the 2nd Floor Library Addition and 1st Floor lighting upgrades to the Architecture Firm, Long & Associates in the amount of \$173,674.00. The 2nd floor addition will consist of 4,800 square foot addition that contains open meeting space, a dedicated teen space, a kitchen and storage. Additional modifications have been designed for circulation and egress. Two (2) separate stairs and an elevator will be added for access to the new 2nd floor. Long & Associates has since provided 100% Construction Documents and Bid Plans for the 2nd floor addition and the 1st Floor lighting upgrades. Construction documents were submitted for both a City and Pinellas County building permit in March 2023. City Permitting and Pinellas County Permitting is complete, and Pinellas County Permit was approved on July 14, 2023. The Library 1st Floor lighting upgrades and 2nd Floor Addition is scheduled to go out to Bid on July 19, 2023, and a mandatory pre-bid meeting is scheduled for July 31, 2023. Bids are due August 29, 2023.

*From the FY 23/24 CRA Budget



Library as of late February 2025

COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
CITY AND COUNTY TAXABLE VALUATIONS AND AD VALOREM TAXES



Fiscal Year	City					County					Total CRA Tax @ 95%
	Base Year Taxable Value	Increment Value	Millage Rate	Tax @ 95%	Base Year Taxable Value	Increment Value	Millage Rate	Tax @ 95%	Base Year Taxable Value	Increment Value	
2013/14	\$ 69,657,478	\$31,944,080	\$ 37,713,398	3.7343	\$ 133,791	\$ 69,850,681	\$31,944,080	\$ 37,906,601	5.3377	\$192,217	\$ 326,009
2014/15	\$ 74,219,210	\$31,944,080	\$ 42,275,130	4.0479	\$ 162,569	\$ 74,462,845	\$31,944,080	\$ 42,518,765	5.3377	\$215,605	\$ 378,174
2015/16	\$ 80,864,937	\$31,944,080	\$ 48,920,857	4.0479	\$ 188,125	\$ 81,109,798	\$31,944,080	\$ 49,165,718	5.3377	\$249,310	\$ 437,436
2016/17	\$ 87,648,579	\$31,944,080	\$ 55,704,499	3.9500	\$ 209,031	\$ 87,924,537	\$31,944,080	\$ 55,980,457	5.3377	\$283,867	\$ 492,898
2017/18	\$ 95,506,827	\$31,944,080	\$ 63,562,747	3.9500	\$ 238,519	\$ 95,788,203	\$31,944,080	\$ 63,844,123	5.3590	\$325,034	\$ 563,551
2018/19	\$ 134,177,280	\$31,944,080	\$ 102,233,200	3.9500	\$ 383,630	\$ 134,801,882	\$31,944,080	\$ 102,857,802	5.3590	\$523,654	\$ 907,282
2019/20	\$ 171,856,616	\$31,944,080	\$ 139,912,536	3.9500	\$ 525,022	\$ 172,404,629	\$31,944,080	\$ 140,460,549	5.3590	\$715,092	\$ 1,240,113
2020/21	\$ 183,855,277	\$31,944,080	\$ 151,911,197	3.9500	\$ 570,047	\$ 184,416,194	\$31,944,080	\$ 152,472,114	5.3590	\$776,243	\$ 1,346,290
2021/22	\$ 211,302,907	\$31,944,080	\$ 179,358,827	3.9500	\$ 673,044	\$ 211,912,855	\$31,944,080	\$ 179,968,775	5.2092	\$445,309	\$ 1,118,353
2023/24	\$ 238,413,020	\$31,944,080	\$ 206,468,940	3.9500	\$ 774,775	\$ 239,073,924	\$31,944,080	\$ 207,129,844	5.2092	\$512,516	\$ 1,287,291

*From the FY 23/24 CRA Budget

COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
PROJECTED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

Expenditures	Project	Projected Revenues	Projected Expenditures
Revenues			
Ad valorem taxes - City of Safety Harbor		774,770	
Ad valorem taxes - Pinellas County		499,060	
Interest and investment income		8,000	
Balance Carryforward		61,100	
Expenditures			
Personnel Services			<u>56,770</u>
Art	CRAART	25,000	
Holiday Lights	CRAHOL	30,000	
CSX land lease	CRCSXL	690	
District fees	CRFEES	1,400	
C/R façade and partnership incentives	CRGRNT	100,000	
Decorative lighting	CRLITE	3,500	
Marketing	CRMRKT	5,000	
Signage	CRSIGN	5,000	
Streetscaping	CRSTSC	10,000	
Total Other Current Charges		<u>180,590</u>	
Transfer Out to General Fund (2nd Street Parcel)		128,570	
Transfer Out to 2018 Debt (Baranoff Oak)		129,700	
Total Transfers Out		<u>258,270</u>	
Subtotal CRA Expenditures			<u>495,630</u>
Budgeted fund reserve			<u>847,300</u>
Total		<u>\$ 1,342,930</u>	<u>\$ 1,342,930</u>

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FUND 067 - COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Acct #	Account Description	Actual	Actual	Adopted	Adjusted	Estimated	Adopted	
		2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2022-23	Year End	2023-24	
REVENUE DETAIL								
Ad Valorem Taxes								
6500-311.01-00	Ad Valorem	\$ 1,240,289	\$ 1,324,595	\$ 1,118,280	\$ 1,118,280	\$ 1,106,660	\$ 1,273,830	
	Total Ad Valorem Taxes	1,240,289	1,324,595	1,118,280	1,118,280	1,106,660	1,273,830	
Charges For Services								
6500-344.01-00	Parking - In Lieu of Fee	22,035	-	-	-	-	-	
	Total Charges For Services	22,035	-	-	-	-	-	
Miscellaneous Revenue								
6500-361.01-00	Investments	3,179	12,912	7,500	7,500	7,500	8,000	
6500-361.50-00	Market Value Adj	(3,092)	(94,923)	-	-	-	-	
6500-366.21-00	Donation/Private	-	-	615,140	615,140	615,140	-	
	Total Miscellaneous Revenue	86	(82,011)	622,640	622,640	622,640	8,000	
Miscellaneous Revenue								
6500-381.01-00	Trf From General Fund	-	320	640	900,640	900,640	-	
	Total Miscellaneous Revenue	-	320	640	900,640	900,640	-	
6500-389.01-00	Balance Carryforward	-	-	1,698,770	1,804,516	1,812,300	61,100	
Total Community Redevelopment Agency		\$ 1,262,410	\$ 1,242,903	\$ 3,440,330	\$ 4,446,076	\$ 4,442,240	\$ 1,342,930	

Fund: Community Redevelopment Agency		Department: Community Redevelopment Agency		Fund #: 067				
Acct #	Account Description	Actual	Actual	Adopted	Adjusted	Estimated	Adopted	
		2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2022-23	Year End	2023-24	
EXPENDITURE DETAIL								
Personnel Services								
6517-500.12-01	Salaries & Wages	36,442	37,741	40,100	40,100	40,100	42,530	
6517-500.15-10	Incentive Pay	-	-	600	600	600	-	
	Salaries & Wages Sub-Total	36,442	37,741	40,700	40,700	40,700	42,530	
6517-500.21-00	Fica Taxes	2,588	2,727	3,110	3,110	3,110	3,260	
6517-500.22-00	Retirement	3,626	3,755	3,990	3,990	3,990	4,230	
6517-500.23-00	Life & Health Insurance	6,359	6,556	6,540	6,540	6,540	7,270	
	Benefits Sub-Total	12,573	13,037	13,640	13,640	13,640	14,760	
	Total Personnel Services	49,016	50,778	54,340	54,340	54,340	57,290	
Operating Expenses								
6517-500.49-30	Other Current Charges	186,201	73,009	274,590	310,950	243,690	180,590	
	Total Operating Expenses	186,201	73,009	274,590	310,950	243,690	180,590	
Capital Expenses								
6517-500.61-00	Land	-	-	-	900,000	913,420	-	
6517-500.62-00	Buildings	71,309	31,363	2,975,240	3,044,626	3,039,990	-	
6517-500.63-00	Improv Other Than Bldgs	112,705	79,481	-	-	-	-	
	Total Capital Expenses	184,014	110,843	2,975,240	3,944,626	3,953,410	-	
Non-Expendable Disbursement								
6595-500.91-01	Trf To General Fund	157,000	157,000	-	-	-	128,570	
6595-500.91-27	Trf To 2018 Debt (GOVT)	132,000	98,940	129,700	129,700	129,700	129,700	
6599-500.99-02	Reserved For Future Exp	-	-	6,460	6,460	61,100	846,780	
	Total Non-Expendable Disbursement	289,000	255,940	136,160	136,160	190,800	1,105,050	
Total Community Redevelopment Agency		\$ 708,230	\$ 490,570	\$ 3,440,330	\$ 4,446,076	\$ 4,442,240	\$ 1,342,930	

*From the FY 23/24 CRA Budget

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Section 163.371 of Florida Statues requires the city prepare an annual report each year by March 31st. A list of the required information and responses to each question are provided below:

(a) The most recent complete audit report of the redevelopment trust fund as required in s. 163.387(8). If the audit report for the previous year is not available by March 31, a community redevelopment agency shall publish the audit report on its website within 45 days after completion.

The FY 23-24 audit report was not available at time of publishing of this report and will be added to the city's website upon completion.

(b) The performance data for each plan authorized, administered, or overseen by the community redevelopment agency as of December 31 of the reporting year, including the:

1. Total number of projects started and completed and the estimated cost for each project.

Projects Started: 13

Projects Completed: 14

Individual project costs can be found starting on page 15.

2. Total expenditures from the redevelopment trust fund.

\$2,883,954

3. Original assessed real property values within the community redevelopment agency's area of authority as of the day the agency was created.

\$ 31,944,080

4. Total assessed real property values of property within the boundaries of the community redevelopment agency as of January 1 of the reporting year.

\$238,149,883

5. Total amount expended for affordable housing for low-income and middle-income residents.

\$0.00

(c) A summary indicating to what extent, if any, the community redevelopment agency has achieved the goals set out in its community redevelopment plan.

This report summarizes CRA achievements during FY 23-24.

PROGRESS REPORT ON CRA ACTION STRATEGY

Implementation of the Downtown Master Plan is motivated by the desire by the City to achieve its vision of becoming a vibrant destination city with a unique quality of life – a city successful in balancing responsible, innovative growth with careful preservation of its small town atmosphere, its quaint character, and its valued treasures. According to the citizen survey performed in tandem with the visioning process, the majority of residents feel that the City, in addition to ensuring public safety and protecting the environment, should concentrate its redevelopment efforts on: (1) addressing traffic safety and parking issues; (2) bringing in more dining and retail stores Downtown, (3) encouraging compatible economic development and diversification of the tax base; and (4) addressing the availability of affordable housing.

Projects that were implemented in fiscal year 2023-2024 are noted on the following pages:

<u>Administrative Costs</u>	\$66,532
Project Status: On-Going	
<u>CSX Land Lease</u>	\$728
Project Status: On-Going	
<u>Support Our Troops Banner</u>	\$389
Project Status: Started and Completed	
<u>Marina/Veterans Park Sign</u>	\$5,030
Project Status: Started and Completed	
<u>2nd Street South Plantings Refresh</u>	\$1,250
Project Status: Started and Completed	

PROGRESS REPORT ON CRA ACTION STRATEGY

Safety Harbor Library Expansion

\$2,463,551

This fiscal year, construction continued on the library expansion to add second floor meeting rooms and 1st floor lighting upgrades. The contractor is expected to turn the project over to the City in March 2025. A ribbon cutting ceremony is planned for April 2025. Below is a picture of the construction in August 2024.

Project Status: On-Going



Downtown Holiday Lighting

\$31,204

Numerous holiday lighting installations were completed during the holiday season.

Project Status: Started and Completed



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PROGRESS REPORT ON CRA ACTION STRATEGY

PUBLIC ART

Fire Station Mural

\$12,373

The mural on Fire Station 52 was professionally cleaned and refurbished

Project Status: Started and Completed

Before:



During:



Tree Stump Chair Carving

\$1,100

An old tree stump at the Rigsby Recreation Center was carved on-site into a functional piece of art.

Project Status: Started and Completed



Rigsby Recreation Center Mural

\$500

A new interactive mural will be installed at the Rigsby Recreation Center. The project started with the selection of the artist and a down payment for design.

Project Status: Started

PROGRESS REPORT ON CRA ACTION STRATEGY

Downtown Partnership Grants

Neighborhood BARK – 660 2nd Street S

New signage
\$1,277

Project Status: Started and Completed



Polished Salon - 500 Main Street

Interior renovation – flooring and paint
\$2,513

Project Status: Started and Completed



603 3rd Street N

Residential front porch
\$2,500

Project Status: Started and Completed



Chamber of Commerce - 200 Main Street

Façade – exterior paint
\$1,725

Project Status: Started and Completed

PROGRESS REPORT ON CRA ACTION STRATEGY

Downtown Partnership Grants (continued)

Blend Sweat Social - 855 Main Street

Interior renovation and addition

\$15,000

Project Status: Completed



130 13th Street S

\$1,000

Residential landscaping

Project Status: Started and Completed



Whistle Stop Grill & Bar - 915 Main St

Interior renovation – bar and paver rehab

\$4,013

Project Status: Started and Completed



House of Petals - 400 2nd Street N

Interior renovation – flooring, paint, lighting



\$15,000

Project Status: Completed



PROGRESS REPORT ON CRA ACTION STRATEGY

Baranoff Park

\$129,700

The Baranoff Oak is considered the oldest live oak in Pinellas County and is estimated to be 300+ years old. On March 1, 2019, the City of Safety Harbor purchased the land beneath and surrounding the Baranoff Oak. CRA funds were used to pay debt service back to the general fund for the purchase of the property and to create a passive park including seating, public art, a perimeter wall, and landscaping.

Project Status: On-Going



PROGRESS REPORT ON CRA ACTION STRATEGY

Property at 2nd Street S. and 6th Ave. S.

\$128,570

On March 23, 2023, the CRA purchased a property located east of 6th Street S. and north of 2nd Street S. for a future park/parking lot and began paying debt to the general fund for the purchase of the property.

Project Status: On-Going



City Vision:
Safety Harbor is a thriving city with a charming quality of life – committed to balancing responsible growth while preserving its small-town atmosphere, quaint character, and valued treasures.



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