



# Appendix E **Demographic & Statistical Information**

**Budget FY 2023-2024**



# Demographic & Statistical Information

**T**he City of Decatur government is a commission-manager style of government with a city manager. The Five City Commissioners are elected in nonpartisan elections for overlapping four-year terms. Each January, Commissioners elect two of their fellow members to serve as Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem. The City Commissioners determine the policies of the City and enact the local laws necessary for the protection of the public health, safety, and welfare. They provide leadership in identifying community needs and developing programs to meet community objectives. They oversee the delivery of services to citizens and are responsible for adoption of an annual budget and the levying of taxes necessary to finance local government operations.

City Commission meetings are held the first and third Mondays of a month in the City Commission meeting room of the Decatur City Hall, 509 North McDonough Street. In addition to the City Commission, various boards and commissions assist in carrying out established policies.

**Active Living Advisory Board** meets the 1st Tuesday of the month, 8 am

**Better Together Advisory Board** meets the 1st Tuesday of the month, 6:30 pm

**Decatur Development Authorities** meets the 2nd Friday of the month, 8 am

**Decatur Youth Council** meets the first Wednesday of the month, May-September, 4 pm

**Environmental Sustainability Board** meets the 4th Friday of the month, 9 am

**Lifelong Community Advisory Board** meets the 4th Monday of the month, 6:30 pm

**Historic Preservation Commission** meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month, 6:30 pm

**Planning Commission** meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month, 7 pm

**Zoning Board of Appeals** meets the 2nd Monday of the month, 7:30 pm

**Date of  
Incorporation:**  
1823

**Date First  
Charter Adopted:**  
1909

**Date Present  
Charter Adopted:**  
2001

**Location:**  
6 miles east of Atlanta, Ga.

**Form of Government:**  
Commission-Manager



**Area –  
square miles:**  
4.7

**Number of  
Registered Voters:**  
20,626

**From the 2020 Census and 2017-2021 American Community Survey**

<b>Total Estimated Population:</b>	24,569	
<b>Population Composition:</b>	White	69.4%
	Black	15.6%
	Hispanic	6.9%
	Other	8.1%
<b>Population by Age:</b>	Under 19	8,438
	20 to 24	775
	25 to 34	1,844
	35 to 54	7,622
	55 to 64	2,869
	65 & over	2,786
<b>Median Age:</b>	38.6	
<b>Educational Attainment:</b>	High school graduate	9.1%
	Some college, no degree	12.2%
	Bachelor's degree	31.5%
	Graduate degree	43.1%
<b>Median household income:</b>	\$123,617	
<b>Mean household income:</b>	\$170,591	
<b>Per capita income:</b>	\$63,021	
<b>Occupations:</b>	Management	78%
	Service	5%
	Sales	14%
	Construction & Maintenance	1%
	Production & Transportation	2%
<b>Housing:</b>	Total Number of Units	10,064
	Occupied Units	8,906
	Single-family houses	54.3%
	Multi-family units	45.7%
	Owner Occupied Units	67.2%
	Renter Occupied Units	32.8%

**From the City's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report  
(FY Ended June 30, 2022)**

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Demographics

<b>2022 assessed valuation:</b>	\$2,743,113
<b>Net Bonded Debt per capita:</b>	\$3,916
<b>Ratio of Net Bonded Debt to Assessed Value:</b>	4%
<b>City Bond Rating:</b>	Aa1/AA+

<b>Major Employers</b>	1. DeKalb County Government	1,345
	2. City Schools of Decatur	896
	3. Emory Healthcare	864
	4. Agnes Scott College	400
	5. KW Commercial	250
	6. City of Decatur	230
	7. US Postal Service	176
	8. Task Force for Global Heath	136
	9. Utility Associates	108
	10. Pathways Transition Program	95

**FROM CITY STAFF**

<b>Number of Full-Time Employees:</b>	<b>254</b>
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**Fire Protection**

Number of Stations	2	Number of Fire Apparatus	7
Number of FT Employees	40	ISO Classification	II

**Police Protection**

Number of Stations:	1
Number of FT Employees:	61
Number of Police Vehicles:	40

**Municipal Sanitation Service**

Number of Residential Consumers:	6,100	Number of Employees:	18
Number of Commercial Consumers:	222	Number of Vehicles:	11

**Active Living**

Number of Parks & Playgrounds:	20	Number of Tennis Courts:	9
Acreage in Parks & Playgrounds:	193	Number of Athletic Fields:	8
Number of Swimming Pools:	5	Number of Recreation Buildings:	4

**Miles of Streets, Sidewalks**

Streets paved:	69.6
Sidewalks paved:	82.4





## City of Decatur Election Districts

Jan 2023

