

**From 2015 to 2018, TNECD has made****8**

Investments through  
Community and Rural Development  
Grants and Consulting Services  
valued at:

**\$662,900**

Mayor Jim Coppinger

<http://www.hamiltontn.gov/><http://www.greaterchatt.com/>**LABOR AND WORKFORCE**

Labor Force (2017):	176,554
Employment (2017):	170,150
Unemployment Rate (2017):	3.6%
Labor Force Participation Rate (2017):	61.8%

**DEMOGRAPHICS**

Population (2012)	345,693
Population (2017):	361,613
Population Percent Change (2012-2017):	4.6%
Median Age:	39.5

**ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND SMALL BUSINESS**

Chattanooga Small Business Development Center  
SBDC is located at: Chattanooga State Community College  
Guide for entrepreneurs starting a business:  
<https://www.tnsmartstart.com/>

**ECONOMIC STATUS**

County Economic Status (FY 2019):	Transitional
Personal Income Per Capita (2017):	\$50,196
Market Income Per Capita (2017):	\$41,227
Median Household Income (2017):	\$50,273
Poverty Rate (2017):	14.5%

**EDUCATION**

Average ACT Score (2018):	19.9
High School Graduation Rate (2018):	87.0%
College Going-Rate (2017):	65.8%
Age 25-64 with High School Degree or Higher:	90.0%
Age 25-64 with Associates Degree or Higher:	41.5%
Age 25-64 with Bachelor's Degree or Higher:	32.2%

**TAX STRUCTURE AND REVENUES**

State Debt Per Capita (2015):	\$913
County Debt Per Capita (FY 2017):	\$878
Local Sales Tax Collections (FY 2017):	\$121,169,999
Local Sales Tax Collections (FY 2018):	\$134,038,063
Local Sales Tax Collections Percent Change (FY 2017 to FY 2018):	10.6%

**SAFETY**

Crime Rate Per 1,000 People (2017):	95.8
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Located in TNECD Southeast Region

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