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Taxpayers are Paying Billions for the Renovations and Construction of NFL Stadiums. Here's How.

In 2022, the Tennessee Titans of the NFL unveiled their plans for a new stadium in the heart of Nashville. The 1.7 million-square-foot stadium can house 60,000 screaming football fans and is estimated to cost \$2.1 billion.

The public would fund more than half of the stadium through a one-time contribution from the state of \$500 million and \$760 million through revenue bonds issued by Nashville's Metropolitan Sports Authority.

Since 2000, public funds diverted to helping build professional sports stadiums and arenas have cost taxpayers \$4.3 billion. While the NFL and team owners contend that building stadiums will provide economic growth for a city, economists and urban planners think otherwise.

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