

Erie County Comptroller

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October 31, 2019

Erie County Legislature 92 Franklin Street, 4th Floor Buffalo, NY 14202 Honorable Mark C. Poloncarz Erie County Executive 95 Franklin St., 16th Floor Buffalo, NY 14202

Dear Honorable Members and County Executive Poloncarz:

My office has prepared an Interim Financial Report ("Report") of the County of Erie, New York ("County") as of and for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2019 (i.e., "Third Quarter 2019"). The Report, enclosed for your review, consists of the following elements:

- Financial Statements
- Investment Report
- Cash Flow Statement
- Property Tax and Sales Tax Summary
- Debt Schedules
- Miscellaneous Financial Data (including data on short and long-term bonded indebtedness, property tax rates and constitutional taxing power)

We provide the following observations and comments for your consideration:

Sales Tax

As you are aware, the County's 2019 Adopted Budget amount of \$478,880,141 is predicated on a 1.54% increase in sales tax revenue above the County's 2018 actual sales tax revenue.

The sales tax revenue amount for the County's Third Quarter 2019 was \$360,697,847 compared to \$347,005,329 for the Third Quarter of 2018. During the first nine months of 2019, the County experienced a \$13,692,518 (3.95%) increase in sales tax revenue, compared to the first nine months of 2018. This reflects the Division of Budget and Management's accrual of September sales tax. As you are well aware sales tax revenues are the largest revenue source for Erie County. Wall Street ratings agencies and the Office of Comptroller have issued numerous warnings on Erie County's risky reliance on volatile sales tax revenue.

It is important to note that the 2019-20 State Budget made changes in the funding of Aid and Incentives for Municipalities ("AIM") funding. Instead of AIM being funded by the State, it is funded by "additional internet sales

tax" that normally would go to the County. In the case of Erie County, the estimated amount of AIM is \$3.7 million to be distributed to the various municipalities in Erie County. However, the State law instructs the State Comptroller to intercept sales tax to the County and re-direct to the municipalities. In the case of Erie and Nassau Counties, the State Comptroller sends the County sales tax to their respective control Boards and not the County. If and when this is corrected, the County will see a decrease of \$3.7 million in its receipts for 2019.

This office will continue to monitor this account, the largest revenue in the budget at \$478,880,141, closely throughout the year and will report as we receive monthly updates from the State.

Real Property Taxes

Through the nine-month period ended September 30, 2019, the County received 93.6% of the \$374,009,025 that was levied and is collectible for County purposes, which is .1% lower than the percentage collected as of September 30, 2018. Taxes remaining to be collected are at \$23,874,447 compared to \$23,054,125 September 30, 2018 (3.56% increase).

Note and Capital Bond Borrowing

The Capital Bond borrowing is scheduled to close in December of this year. Depending on timing and amount of Inter Governmental transfer payments it may not be necessary to do a Revenue Anticipation Note sale this year.

Conclusion

The financial statements and other information contained in this Report have been compiled largely from the official accounting records maintained in the County's SAP system. The Financial Statements from Erie County Medical Center Corporation, Erie Community College, the Erie County Tobacco Securitization Corporation, the Buffalo and Erie County Industrial Land Development Corporation, Inc. and the ECFSA are not included because financial information for the aforementioned entities is maintained separately from the County.

Information contained in this Report has not been reviewed by the County's independent auditor; therefore, no opinion on this Report is expressed.

Please note that this is the third and final quarterly report for 2019. The County will issue a 2019 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report in 2020.

If you have any questions regarding this submission, please contact me at (716) 858-8400.

Sincerely yours

Stefan I. Mychajliw

Erie County Comptroller

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Enclosure

cc: Erie County Fiscal Stability Authority

Robert W. Keating, Director of Budget and Management

COUNTY OF ERIE, NEW YORK INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT

FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019



Erie County Comptroller's Office

STEFAN I. MYCHAJLIW

Erie County Comptroller

OCTOBER 31, 2019

COUNTY OF ERIE, NEW YORK

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FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

COUNTY OF ERIE, NEW YORK Balance Sheet

Governmental Funds September 30, 2019

(amounts expressed in thousands)

_		General	Gov	Other vernmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds		
ASSETS:							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	41,175 -	\$	62,572 200	\$	103,747 200	
Real property taxes, interest, penalties							
and liens		63,768		28		63,796	
Other		6,996		27,719		34,715	
Due from other funds		50,296		40,524		90,820	
Due from other governments		253,494		17,401		270,895	
Prepaid items		5		1,816		1,821	
Restricted cash		160		98,629		98,789	
Total assets	\$	415,894	\$	248,889	\$	664,783	
LIABILITIES:							
Accounts payable	\$	7,161	\$	2,556	\$	9,717	
Accrued liabilities		82,797		9,255		92,052	
Due to other funds		5,640		42,486		48,126	
Due to component unit		1,590		-		1,590	
Due to other governments		106		92		198	
Retained percentages payable		-		1,486		1,486	
Unearned revenue		43,874		3,078		46,952	
Total liabilities		141,168		58,953		200,121	
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES:							
Unavailable revenue – property taxes		57,378		-		57,378	
Total deferred inflows of resources		57,378				57,378	
FUND BALANCES:							
Nonspendable:							
Community development loans		-		26,512		26,512	
Prepaid items		5		1,816		1,821	
Handicapped parking		160		_		160	
E-911 system costs		-		543		543	
Debt service		_		8,224		8,224	
Capital expenditures		_		98,829		98,829	
Assigned:				00,020		00,020	
Other purposes		33,597		54,012		87,609	
Unassigned		183,586		,		183,586	
Total fund balances		217,348		189,936		407,284	
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		· · ·	
resources and fund balances	\$	415,894	\$	248,889	\$	664,783	

Governmental Funds

For the nine months ended September 30, 2019

(amounts expressed in thousands)

		General		Other /ernmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds		
REVENUES:							
Real property taxes and tax items	\$	275,907	\$	22,992	\$	298,899	
Sales and use taxes		620,042		3,144		623,186	
Transfer taxes		140		11,137		11,277	
Intergovernmental		245,809		28,654		274,463	
Interfund		=		241		241	
Departmental		45,278		32,298		77,576	
Interest		2,632		2,706		5,338	
Miscellaneous		2,967		5,226		8,193	
Total revenues		1,192,775		106,398		1,299,173	
EXPENDITURES: Current:							
General government support		331,162		5,975		337,137	
Public safety		111,547		11,606		123,153	
Health		59,566		6,820		66,386	
Transportation		18,795		21,964		40,759	
Economic assistance and opportunity		444,447		11,223		455,670	
Culture and recreation		18,519		, - -		18,519	
Education		54,351		=		54,351	
Home and community service		3,250		33,354		36,604	
Capital outlay		-		36,490		36,490	
Principal retirement		-		52,955		52,955	
Interest and fiscal charges		2,018		20,843		22,861	
Total expenditures		1,043,655		201,230		1,244,885	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues							
over expenditures		149,120		(94,832)		54,288	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):							
Sale of property		143		-		143	
Transfers in		102		101,982		102,084	
Transfers out		(96,901)		(24,037)		(120,938)	
Total other financing		(00.050)		77.045		(40.744)	
sources (uses)		(96,656)		77,945		(18,711)	
Net change in fund balances		52,464		(16,887)		35,577	
Fund balances at beginning of year		164,884		206,823		371,707	
Fund balances at end of nine months	\$	217,348	\$	189,936	\$	407,284	

Statement of Net Position

Proprietary Fund September 30, 2019 (amounts expressed in thousands)

	Business - Type Activity Enterprise Fund		
	Utilities Aggregation Fund		
ASSETS:			
Current Assets:			
Due from other governments	\$	16,169	
Total current assets		16,169	
Total assets		16,169	
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities:			
Accounts payable		233	
Accrued liabilities		143	
Due to other funds		14,361	
Total current liabilities		14,737	
Total liabilities		14,737	
NET POSITION:			
Unrestricted		1,432	
Total net position	\$	1,432	

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

Proprietary Fund

For the nine months ended September 30, 2019 (amounts expressed in thousands)

	Enter U	ness - Type Activity prise Fund Itilities gregation Fund
OPERATING REVENUES:		
Interfund revenues	\$	4,943
Other operating revenue		8,188
Total operating revenue		13,131
OPERATING EXPENSES:		
Employee wages		73
Employee benefits		34
Utilities and telephone		12,761
Total operating expenses		12,868
Change in net position		263
Total net position - beginning		1,169
Total net position at end of nine months	\$	1,432

Statement of Agency Net Position

Agency Fund September 30, 2019 (amounts expressed in thousands)

	Agency Fund		
ASSETS:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	48,974	
Other		451	
Bonds and securities held in custody		20	
Total assets	\$	49,445	
LIABILITIES:			
Held in custody for others		49,445	
Total liabilities	\$	49,445	

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COMBINING & INDIVIDUAL FUND STATEMENTS & SCHEDULES

COUNTY OF ERIE, NEW YORK

NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

These funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes. These funds include the Road, Sewer, Downtown Mall, E-911, Emergency Response, Grants and Community Development Funds.

Road Fund

Used to account for all revenues and expenditures related to the maintenance of County roads and bridges, snow removal, construction and reconstruction of County roads not required to be recorded in a Capital Projects Fund.

Sewer Fund

Used to account for the activities of the various sewer districts currently in operation within the County.

Downtown Fund

Used to account for revenues raised through a special district charge levy and the subsequent expenditure of these monies for the operation and maintenance of a downtown pedestrian/transit mall.

• E-911 Fund

Used to account for revenues raised through a telephone access line surcharge and the subsequent expenditure of these monies for the establishment and maintenance of an enhanced 911 emergency telephone system.

• Emergency Response Fund

Used to account for revenues received from the Federal Emergency Management Agency and expenditures associated with the on-going clean up of major winter storm damage that occurred in October 2006 and November 2014. Activity related to the October 2006 storm was finalized and closed out in 2017.

Grants Fund

Used to account for federal and state operating grants (except the Community Development Block Grant) earmarked for specific programs, so that grantor accounting and reporting requirements can be satisfied.

• Community Development Fund

Used to assist participating municipalities in the development of locally approved community or economic development activities that are eligible under federal program regulations.

DEBT SERVICE FUND

The Debt Service Fund is used to account for current payments of principal and interest on general obligation long-term debt, and for financial resources that have been accumulated to make future principal and interest payments on general long term indebtedness.

COUNTY OF ERIE, NEW YORK

NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (Continued)

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS

Capital Projects Funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities.

• General Government Buildings, Equipment and Improvements Fund

Used to account for capital projects administered by the Department of Public Works involving the acquisition, construction, or reconstruction of major or permanent facilities having a relatively long useful life and equipment purchased from the proceeds of long-term debt.

• Highways, Roads, Bridges and Equipment Fund

Utilized to account for capital projects administered by the Department of Public Works for the construction or reconstruction of County roads and bridges and the acquisition of equipment not accounted for in the Road Fund.

• Sewers, Facilities, Equipment and Improvements Fund

Used to account for capital projects relating to the construction and acquisition of sewer facilities and equipment by the operating sewer districts.

• Tobacco Proceeds Fund

Used to account for the net proceeds from the County's securitization of its share of the 1998 Master Settlement Agreement with the tobacco industry that will be used to fund capital projects that otherwise would have been supported by operating funds or the issuance of bonds.

• Special Capital Projects Fund

Utilized to account for capital projects administered by departments other than Public Works that are primarily for the acquisition or construction of buildings, improvements and equipment.

Nonmajor Governmental Funds September 30, 2019 (amounts expressed in thousands)

Special Revenue

						ntown		
ASSETS:		Road		Sewer	N	lall		E-911
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	3,182	\$	42,416	\$	52	\$	290
Investments		-		-		-		-
Receivables (net of allowances)								
Real property taxes, interest,						00		
penalties and liens		41		-		28		- 105
Due from other funds		- -		13,774		- -		-
Due from other governments		4,824		181		-		920
Prepaid items		=		1,816		-		-
Restricted cash		-		-		-		-
Total assets	\$	8,047	\$	58,187	\$	80	\$	1,315
LIABILITIES:								
Accounts payable	\$	41	\$	382	\$	-	\$	24
Accrued liabilities		1,182		1,729		37		529
Due to other funds		-		-		-		219
Due to other governments		-		14		-		-
Unearned revenue		-		-		- -		-
Total liabilities		1,223		2,125		37		772
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FUND BALANCES: Nonspendable:								
Community development loans		_		-		-		-
Prepaid items		-		1,816		-		-
Restricted for:								
E-911 system costs		-		-		-		543
Debt service		-		-		-		-
Assigned:		-		-		-		-
Other purposes		6,824		54,246		43		_
Total fund balances		6,824		56,062		43		543
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of	•	0.047	•	E0 407	•	-	•	4 045
resources and fund balances	<u>*</u>	8,047	3	58,187	\$	80	Þ	1,315

Nonmajor Governmental Funds September 30, 2019 (amounts expressed in thousands)

Special Revenue

	ergency sponse	(Grants	mmunity relopment	Total
ASSETS:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 420	\$	497	\$ 910	\$ 47,767
Investments	-		-	-	-
penalties and liens	-		-	-	28
Other	-		50	26,521	26,717
Due from other governments	526		6,058	-	13,774 12,509
Prepaid items	-			- -	1,816
Total assets	\$ 946	\$	6,605	\$ 27,431	\$ 102,611
LIABILITIES:					
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$	371	\$ 5	\$ 823
Accrued liabilities	-		1,385	70	4,932
Due to other funds	-		10,427	164	10,810
Due to other governments	48		23	-	71
Retained percentages payable	-		- 0.070	-	14
Unearned revenue	 		3,078	 	 3,078
Total liabilities	48		15,284	 239	19,728
FUND BALANCES:					
Nonspendable:					
Community development loans	-		-	26,512	26,512
Prepaid items	-		-	-	1,816
E-911 system costs	_		_	_	543
Debt service	-		_	_	-
Capital expenditures	-		-	-	-
Other purposes	898		(8,679)	680	 54,012
Total fund balances	898		(8,679)	27,192	82,883
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	\$ 946	\$	6,605	\$ 27,431	\$ 102,611

Nonmajor Governmental Funds September 30, 2019

(amounts expressed in thousands)

	Capital Projects											
	Debt Service				Gov Bu Equi	eneral vernment uildings, pment and covements	F Brid	ghways, Roads, dges and uipment	Fa Equi	sewers, acilities pment and covements		bacco oceeds
ASSETS: Cash and cash equivalents	\$	2	\$	_	\$	5,615	\$	6,929	\$	2		
Investments	Ψ	-	Ψ	-	Ψ	-	Ψ	-	Ψ	200		
penalties and liens		-		4 000		-		-		-		
Other		26,750		1,002		-		-		-		
Due from other governments		114		2,740		459		1,579		-		
Prepaid items		-		- 36,169		- 31,859		- 18,730		- 16		
Total assets	\$	26,866	\$	39,911	\$	37,933	\$	27,238	\$	218		
LIABILITIES:												
Accounts payable	\$	- 99 18,543	\$	804 1,843 706	\$	870 1,888 2,823	\$	59 260 8,134	\$	- - 2		
Due to other governments		- - -		389 -		21 472 -		55 -		- - -		
Total liabilities		18,642		3,742		6,074		8,508		2		
FUND BALANCES: Nonspendable:												
Community development loans		-		-		-		-		-		
E-911 system costs		-		-		-		-		-		
Debt service		8,224 -		36,169		31,859		18,730		216		
Assigned: Other purposes		_		_		_		_		_		
Total fund balances		8,224		36,169		31,859		18,730		216		
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of	_	00.000		00.044	_	07.000	_	07.000				
resources and fund balances	\$	26,866	\$	39,911	\$	37,933	\$	27,238	\$	218		

Nonmajor Governmental Funds September 30, 2019

(amounts expressed in thousands)

	Capital Projects					
		Special Capital Projects	Total			Total onmajor vernmental Funds
ASSETS: Cash and cash equivalents	\$	2,257 -	\$	14,803 200	\$	62,572 200
penalties and liens		- - -		- 1,002 -		28 27,719 40,524
Due from other governments		- - 11,855		4,778 - 98,629		17,401 1,816
Total assets	\$	14,112	\$	119,412	\$	98,629 248,889
LIABILITIES: Accounts payable	\$	233 1,468 - 556 -	\$	1,733 4,224 13,133 21 1,472 -	\$	2,556 9,255 42,486 92 1,486 3,078
FUND BALANCES: Nonspendable: Community development loans		-		-		26,512 1,816
E-911 system costs		- - 11,855		- - 98,829		543 8,224 98,829
Other purposes		11,855		98,829		54,012 189,936
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	\$	14,112	\$	119,412	\$	248,889

Nonmajor Governmental Funds For the nine months ended September 30, 2019 (amounts expressed in thousands)

Special Revenue

	Road	Sewer	Downtown Mall	E-911	
REVENUES:	Roau	Sewei	IVIdII	E-911	
Real property taxes and tax items	\$ -	\$ 21,229	\$ 1,763	\$ -	
Sales and use taxes	-	=	=	3,144	
Transfer taxes	11,137	-	-	-	
Intergovernmental	4,369	-	-	15	
Interfund	-	-	=	=	
Departmental	111	30,918 121	-	-	
Interest	_	783	-	<u>-</u>	
Total revenues	15,617	53,051	1,763	3,159	
EXPENDITURES: Current:					
General government support	_	_	1,720	_	
Public safety	-	_	1,720	4,821	
Health	_	-	=	981	
Transportation	21,938	-	-	-	
Economic assistance and opportunity	-	=	-	=	
Home and community service	-	30,239	-	-	
Capital outlay	-	-	-	-	
Debt service:					
Principal retirement	-	-	-	- -	
Total expenditures	21,938	30,239	1,720	5,802	
(Deficiency) excess of revenues					
over expenditures	(6,321)	22,812	43	(2,643)	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):					
Transfers in	17,171	61	-	2,648	
Transfers out	(12,205)	(8,744)			
Total other financing					
sources (uses)	4,966	(8,683)		2,648	
Net change in fund balances	(1,355)	14,129	43	5	
Fund balances at beginning of year	8,179	41,933	-	538	
Fund balances at end of nine months	\$ 6,824	\$ 56,062	\$ 43	\$ 543	

Nonmajor Governmental Funds For the nine months ended September 30, 2019 (amounts expressed in thousands)

Special Revenue

		Emergency Response Grants		Grants	nmunity elopment	Total		
REVENUES:								
Real property taxes and tax items	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$	22,992	
Sales and use taxes		-		-	-		3,144	
Transfer taxes		-		-	-		11,137	
Intergovernmental		-		16,471	2,218		23,073	
Interfund		-		-	200		200	
Departmental		-		190	931		32,150	
Interest		-		-	-		121	
Miscellaneous		-		477	 -		1,260	
Total revenues				17,138	3,349		94,077	
EXPENDITURES:								
Current:								
General government support		-		4,255	-		5,975	
Public safety		-		6,785	-		11,606	
Health		-		5,839	=		6,820	
Transportation		26		-	-		21,964	
Economic assistance and opportunity		-		11,032	191		11,223	
Home and community service		-		900	2,215		33,354	
Capital outlay		-		-	-		-	
Principal retirement		-		-	-		-	
Interest and fiscal charges		-		-	 -			
Total expenditures	-	26		28,811	 2,406		90,942	
(Deficiency) excess of revenues								
over expenditures		(26)		(11,673)	 943		3,135	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):								
Transfers in		-		2,994	130		23,004	
Transfers out				-			(20,949)	
Total other financing								
sources (uses)		-		2,994	130		2,055	
Net change in fund balances		(26)		(8,679)	1,073		5,190	
Fund balances at beginning of year		924		-	 26,119		77,693	
Fund balances at end of nine months	\$	898	\$	(8,679)	\$ 27,192	\$	82,883	

Nonmajor Governmental Funds For the nine months ended September 30, 2019 (amounts expressed in thousands)

		Capital Projects								
	Debt Service	Gene Govern Buildi Equipme Improve	nment ngs, ent and	R Brid	hways, oads, ges and iipment	Fa Equip	ewers, acilities oment and ovements		acco ceeds	
REVENUES:		_		_		_		_		
Real property taxes and tax items	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
Sales and use taxes	=		-		-		=		-	
Transfer taxes	-		4.000		-		-		-	
Intergovernmental	220		4,092 41		902		-		-	
Interfund	-		41 8		24		116		-	
Departmental	2.496		0		24		_		-	
Interest	2,486		97		-		99 7		-	
wiscenarieous	3,862							-		
Total revenues	6,568		4,238		926		222			
EXPENDITURES:										
Current:										
General government support	-		-		-		-		-	
Public safety	-		-		-		-		-	
Health	-		-		-		-		-	
Transportation	-		-		-		-		-	
Economic assistance and opportunity	-		-		-		-		-	
Home and community service	-		-		-		-		-	
Capital outlay	-		12,219		20,722		1,226		-	
Principal retirement	52,955		_		_		_		_	
Interest and fiscal charges	20,843		_		_		_		_	
Total expenditures	73,798		12,219		20,722		1,226			
Total experiances	10,130	-	12,210		20,122		1,220			
(Deficiency) excess of revenues										
over expenditures	(67,230)		(7,981)		(19,796)		(1,004)			
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):										
Transfers in	59,675		1,340		12,130		5,854		_	
Transfers out	31		(191)		(274)		(1,214)		_	
Total other financing		1	(- /							
Total other financing	59,706		1,149		11,856		4,640			
sources (uses)	39,706		1,149		11,000		4,640		<u> </u>	
Net change in fund balances	(7,524)		(6,832)		(7,940)		3,636		_	
Fund balances at beginning of year	15,748		(0,032) 43,001		39,799		15,094		216	
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Fund balances at end of nine months	\$ 8,224	\$	36,169	\$	31,859	\$	18,730	\$	216	

Nonmajor Governmental Funds For the nine months ended September 30, 2019 (amounts expressed in thousands)

		Capital				
DEVENUES.		pecial capital rojects		Total	Gov	Total onmajor rernmental Funds
REVENUES:	\$		\$		\$	22.002
Real property taxes and tax items	Ф	-	Þ	-	Þ	22,992 3,144
Transfer taxes		-		_		11,137
Intergovernmental		367		5,361		28,654
Interfund		-		41		241
Departmental		-		148		32,298
Interest		-		99		2,706
Miscellaneous		-		104		5,226
Total revenues		367		5,753	,	106,398
EXPENDITURES: Current:						
General government support		-		-		5,975
Public safety		-		-		11,606
Health		-		-		6,820
Transportation		-		-		21,964
Economic assistance and opportunity		-		-		11,223
Home and community service		-		-		33,354
Capital outlay		2,323		36,490		36,490
Principal retirement		-		_		52,955
Interest and fiscal charges		-		_		20,843
Total expenditures		2,323		36,490		201,230
(Deficiency) excess of revenues				_		
over expenditures		(1,956)		(30,737)		(94,832)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) :						
Transfers in		(21)		19,303		101,982
Transfers out		(1,440)		(3,119)		(24,037)
Total other financing						
sources (uses)		(1,461)		16,184		77,945
Net change in fund balances		(3,417)		(14,553)		(16,887)
Fund balances at beginning of year		15,272		113,382		206,823
Fund balances at end of nine months	\$	11,855	\$	98,829	\$	189,936
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 COUNTY OF ERIE, NEW YORK	
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LIBRARY COMPONENT UNIT

The financial data shown for the Buffalo and Erie County Public Library is derived from records maintained on its behalf by the County. The Library does not issue separate financial statements. The inclusion of the Library as a component unit in the County's financial statements reflects the County's financial accountability for this legally separate entity.

Balance Sheet

Library Component Unit September 30, 2019

(amounts expressed in thousands)

	Library
ASSETS:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 17,348
Other	84
Due from primary government	1,590
Due from other governments	346
Prepaid items	155
Total assets	\$ 19,523
LIABILITIES:	
Accounts payable	\$ 13
Accrued liabilities	1,660
Unearned revenue	1,185
Total liabilities	2,858
FUND BALANCES:	
Nonspendable	155
Committed	2,800
Assigned	1,452
Unassigned	12,258
Total fund balances	 16,665
Total liabilities and	
fund balances	\$ 19,523

Library Component Unit

For the nine months ended September 30, 2019

(amounts expressed in thousands)

	Library
REVENUES: Real property taxes and tax items	\$ 24,911
Intergovernmental	3,350
Departmental	306
Interest	9
Miscellaneous	 191
Total revenues	 28,767
EXPENDITURES: Current:	
Culture and recreation	21,793
Total expenditures	21,793
Net change in fund balances	6,974
Fund balances at beginning of year	9,691
Fund balances at end of nine months	\$ 16,665

INVESTMENT REPORT

COUNTY OF ERIE, NEW YORK

Investment Report

January 1, 2019 through September 30, 2019

In accordance with the Comptroller's Investment Guidelines, the Investment Report for the first nine months of 2019 is hereby submitted. The primary objectives of the investment program, as set out in established guidelines, are as follows in order of importance:

- compliance with legal requirements
- safeguarding of principal
- ensuring sufficient liquidity
- obtaining a reasonable rate of return

Our cash management program offers the County a good return on its investments without assuming unnecessary risks. A total of 1,075 investments were made during the first nine months, resulting in \$1,728,194 in total interest earnings for all funds. The weighted average yield for the first nine months was .67%. For comparison, during the first nine months of 2018, 1,074 investments were effectuated which generated \$959,433 in total interest earnings for all funds at an average weighted yield of .35%.

SUMMARY OF INVESTMENTS PURCHASED

	Number of Investments Jan - Sept		Average In (in mil Jan –	lions)	Average Length of Investment (days) Jan – Sept		
	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	
Manufacturers & Traders	1,075	1,074	31.5	39.9	7	7	
Totals	1,075	1,074					

Investment Report

January 1, 2019 through September 30, 2019

SUMMARY OF INTEREST EARNINGS BY FUND

	General Fund	Trust Fund	Capital Fund	Sewer Fund	Total
1 st Quarter	\$75,599	\$12,453	\$103,323	\$23,359	\$214,734
2 nd Quarter	\$720,131	\$38,060	\$106,886	\$45,769	\$910,846
3 rd Quarter	\$280,180	\$10,761	\$257,932	\$53,741	\$602,614
Year to date	\$1,075,910	\$61,274	\$468,141	\$122,869	\$1,728,194

Please note the 2019 Adopted Budget General Fund interest earnings is \$700,000. The actual year to date earnings for the General Fund as of September 30, 2019 is \$1,075,910. For comparison, as of September 30, 2018, the General Fund interest earnings were \$605,701.

SUMMARY OF WEIGHTED AVERAGE YIELD (ALL FUNDS)

Month	Weighted Average Yield					
	2019	2018				
January	.35%	.06%				
February	.35%	.07%				
March	.35%	.30%				
April	.42%	.34%				
May	.50%	.34%				
June	1.43%	1.04%				
July	.87%	.35%				
August	.95%	.35%				
September	.77%	.35%				
Weighted Average Jan. – Sept.	.67%	.35%				

CASH FLOW STATEMENT

As a matter of procedure, the Erie County Comptroller's Office does not report public projections regarding future cash flows or other results. However, the Comptroller's Office has prepared projected cash flow information, set forth in the following schedule, to present the projected cumulative cash flow of Erie County for the year ending December 31, 2019.

The projected financial information is subject to change based on various intervening factors, and was not produced to comply with guidelines established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants with respect to prospective financial information. Rather, it was prepared by the Comptroller's Office based on data provided by the Division of Budget, Management and Finance and other sources to reflect the best and currently available estimates and judgments, and presents, to the best of the Comptroller's Office's knowledge, the expected future cash flow of the County.

This information is not static or audited, and should not be relied upon as indicative of future results.

NEITHER THE COUNTY'S INDEPENDENT AUDITORS NOR ANY OTHER INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS HAVE COMPILED, EXAMINED OR PERFORMED ANY PROCEDURES WITH RESPECT TO THE PROSPECTIVE CASH FLOW INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN. IN ADDITION, THEY HAVE NOT EXPRESSED ANY OPINION OR ANY OTHER FORM OF ASSURANCE ON SUCH INFORMATION OR ITS ACHIEVABILITY, AND ASSUME NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR, AND DISCLAIM ANY ASSOCIATION WITH, THE PROSPECTIVE FINANCIAL INFORMATION.

Cash Flow Statement

January-September Actual, October-December Projected 2019

Description	Actual January	Actual February	Actual March	Actual April	Actual May
Opening Balance	\$ 43,477,321				
RECEIPTS:					
DSS	\$ 16,251,996	\$ 31,809,382	\$ 24,526,994	\$ 9,415,919	\$ 6,247,194
Sales Tax	56,023,818	65,277,890	55,252,313	\$ 67,326,984	60,519,849
Real Property Tax	12,252,180	63,222,549	225,398,356	\$ 45,236,190	7,671,919
Other	23,733,872	18,896,544	31,910,664	\$ (10,734,003)	10,407,238
RAN Proceeds	-	-	-	\$ -	-
EFSCA Set Aside Release	6,065,609	499,500	9,678,031	\$ -	15,367,916
Total Receipts	114,327,475	179,705,865	346,766,358	\$ 111,245,090	100,214,116
DISBURSEMENTS:					
DSS	56,875,764	30,846,588	29,173,237	\$ 41,124,477	29,616,903
Payroll	32,876,367	29,279,123	33,539,451	\$ 29,600,058	43,343,449
Vendor	32,829,479	47,586,104	106,149,065	\$ 61,536,287	38,701,414
Debt Service	34,966	531,069	2,759,866	\$ 2,008,217	776,081
RAN Set Asides	-	-	79,999,892	\$ -	-
ECFSA Bond Set Asides	3,832,504	3,833,211	3,833,211	\$ 3,834,086	3,835,586
ECFSA Debt Service	6,065,609	499,500	9,678,031	\$ -	15,367,916
Total Disbursements	132,514,689	112,575,595	265,132,753	138,103,125	131,641,349
Monthly Cash Flow	\$ (18,187,214)	\$ 67,130,270	\$ 81,633,605	\$ (26,858,035)	\$ (31,427,233)
Cumulative Cash Flow	\$ 25,290,107	\$ 92,420,377	\$ 174,053,982	\$ 147,195,947	\$ 115,768,714

Cash Flow Statement

January-September Actual, October-December Projected 2019

Description	Actual June		tual	Actual August						_	Projected October
RECEIPTS:											
DSS	\$ 35,508,229	\$ 8	133,682	\$	14,313,219	\$	38,264,903	\$	29,805,967		
Sales Tax	92,424,940	52	658,980		66,649,169		67,612,738		82,557,535		
Real Property Tax	6,824,703	5	566,846		4,628,266		6,208,537		2,459,010		
Other	17,214,933	26	,065,744	14,750,051			29,866,152		18,974,043		
RAN Proceeds	-		-		-		-		-		
EFSCA Set Aside Release	2,790,050	1	783,484		4,114,500		494,775				
Total Receipts	154,762,855	94,208,736		104,455,205		142,447,105			133,796,555		
DISBURSEMENTS:											
DSS	44,414,748	32	478,613		31,435,595		30,349,528		38,295,919		
Payroll	29,125,507	30	822,259		26,137,167		28,332,240		31,140,574		
Vendor	82,011,071	44	955,096		42,113,938		85,677,134		41,592,413		
Debt Service	3,195,595		487,517	125,514		5,514 12,023,437			690,488		
RAN Set Asides	-		-		-		-		-		
ECFSA Bond Set Asides	3,814,442	3	814,796		3,814,796 3,814,796		3,814,796		3,815,080		
ECFSA Debt Service	2,790,050	1	783,484		4,114,500		494,775				
Total Disbursements	165,351,413	114	341,765		107,741,510		160,691,910		115,534,474		
Monthly Cash Flow	\$ (10,588,558)	\$ (20	133,029)	\$	(3,286,305)	\$	(18,244,805)	\$	18,262,081		
Cumulative Cash Flow	\$ 105,180,156	\$ 85	047,127	\$	81,760,822	\$	63,516,017	\$	81,778,098		

Cash Flow Statement

January-September Actual, October-December Projected 2019

		Projected		Projected			
Description		November		December		TOTAL	
RECEIPTS:							
DSS	\$	19,091,563	\$	9,532,938	\$	242,901,986	
Sales Tax		62,562,365		88,436,271		817,302,852	
Real Property Tax		5,681,290		3,220,672		388,370,518	
Other		10,034,168		24,405,385		215,524,791	
RAN Proceeds		-		-		-	
EFSCA Set Aside Release		2,115,666		2,439,050		45,348,581	
Total Receipts		99,485,052		128,034,316		1,709,448,728	
DISBURSEMENTS:							
DSS		31,076,626		34,202,953		429,890,951	
Payroll		53,702,446		45,709,650		413,608,291	
Vendor		43,145,748		87,618,813		713,916,562	
Debt Service		452,356		877,477		23,962,583	
RAN Set Asides		-		-		79,999,892	
ECFSA Bond Set Asides		3,815,309		3,311,246		45,369,063	
ECFSA Debt Service		2,115,666		2,439,050		45,348,581	
Total Disbursements		134,308,152		174,159,189		1,752,095,923	
Monthly Cash Flow	\$	(34,823,100)	\$	(46,124,873)	\$	(42,647,195)	
Cumulative Cash Flow	\$	46,954,998	\$	830,125			
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COUNTY OF E	RIE, NEW YORK
PROPERTY AND S	SALES TAX SUMMARY

Property Tax Collections

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2019 and 2018

	2019	2018
Gross Levy	\$ 764,922,333	\$744,533,716
Less: Amount Retained by Towns	 (390,913,308)	(376,863,913)
Net Collectible by County	374,009,025	367,669,803
Less: January - September Collections	 (350,134,578)	(344,615,678)
Net Outstanding at September 30	\$ 23,874,447	\$23,054,125
Percentage Collected through September 30	 93.6%	93.7%

Source: Erie County Govern Tax Collection System.

Sales Tax Revenue

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2019 and 2018

	2019 Adopted Budget	ptember 2019 Y-T-D evenue (1) (2)	% of Budget Realized	2018 Adopted Budget	September 2018 Y-T-D Revenue (1) (2)	% of Budget Realized
Sales And Use Tax	\$ 180,575,183	\$ 136,014,378	75.3%	\$173,106,685	\$130,848,937	75.6%
1% Sales Tax - Erie County Purposes	170,488,501	128,416,175	75.3%	163,436,934	123,539,364	75.6%
0.25% Sales Tax	42,605,485	32,089,098	75.3%	40,843,244	30,872,343	75.6%
0.50% Sales Tax	 85,210,972	 64,178,196	75.3%	81,686,488	61,744,685	75.6%
Totals	\$ 478,880,141	\$ 360,697,847	75.3%	\$459,073,351	\$347,005,329	75.6%

Source: Erie County Comptroller's Office.

Notes.

⁽¹⁾ Through September 30, 2019 year to date, \$249,235,147 was recorded as both a revenue and an expenditure in the County's General Fund for sales tax shared with local municipalities. This revenue amount is excluded from the table above.

⁽²⁾ Includes accrual estimate for portion to be received in November 2019.

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DEBT SCHEDULES

Annual Debt Service Requirements for Long-Term General Obligation Indebtedness of the County (1)

As of September 30, 2019

Fiscal Year Ending December 31	Principal Payments	Interest Payments	Total Debt Service
2019	\$ 2,945,367.68	\$ 4,024,003.27	\$ 6,969,370.95
2020	53,950,809.00	15,506,333.43	69,457,142.43
2021	41,833,052.00	13,205,311.94	55,038,363.94
2022	43,764,295.00	11,151,992.44	54,916,287.44
2023	45,831,538.00	8,974,273.29	54,805,811.29
2024	24,328,781.00	7,112,613.86	31,441,394.86
2025	21,755,024.00	5,996,159.35	27,751,183.35
2026	20,362,267.00	4,967,814.90	25,330,081.90
2027	16,284,510.00	4,035,953.97	20,320,463.97
2028	16,980,752.00	3,257,773.25	20,238,525.25
2029	13,877,995.00	2,442,912.18	16,320,907.18
2030	10,170,238.00	1,799,021.76	11,969,259.76
2031	10,621,481.00	1,320,088.33	11,941,569.33
2032	2,991,336.00	909,450.96	3,900,786.96
2033	2,928,839.00	801,358.98	3,730,197.98
2034	2,613,839.00	693,783.56	3,307,622.56
2035	2,532,839.00	599,999.03	3,132,838.03
2036	1,882,839.00	505,649.89	2,388,488.89
2037	1,462,839.00	427,478.31	1,890,317.31
2038	1,492,839.00	365,577.98	1,858,416.98
2039	1,532,839.00	301,858.01	1,834,697.01
2040	1,272,839.00	237,115.97	1,509,954.97
2041	1,285,000.00	183,118.02	1,468,118.02
2042	760,000.00	140,783.35	900,783.35
2043	605,000.00	113,813.00	718,813.00
2044	615,000.00	89,559.40	704,559.40
2045	635,000.00	64,709.40	699,709.40
2046	645,000.00	39,263.00	684,263.00
2047	665,000.00	13,220.20	678,220.20
Totals	\$ 346,627,157.68	\$ 89,280,991.03	\$ 435,908,148.71

Source: Erie County Comptroller's Office

Note:

(1) Amount is net of debt service payments of \$63,521,700.94 made from January 1, 2019 to September 30, 2019.

Direct General Obligation Indebtedness Outstanding

As of September 30, 2019

Bonds:		
Highway Improvements \$	88,357,768.02	
Buildings and other Improvements	81,040,838.81	
Sewer District Facilities	74,967,157.62	
New Era Field	31,529,206.17	
Community College	28,414,548.96	
Court House Facilities	11,754,648.79	
Computer System	9,157,435.67	
Prison Facilities	7,961,542.82	
Key Bank Center	7,425,000.00	
Convention Center	4,432,255.82	
Buffalo Zoo	1,586,755.00	
Total Long-Term Debt	· · ·	\$ 346,627,157.68 (1) (2)
Exclusions:		
Sewer District Debt	74.967.157.62	
Budgeted Appropriations	1.445.000.00	
Total Deductions	1,110,000.00	76,412,157.62
Total Doddononio		70,112,107.02
Net Direct Debt		\$ 270,215,000.06
Net Direct Debt		φ 210,215,000.06

Source: Erie County Comptroller's Office

Notes:

- (1) Pursuant to the agreement governing the sale of the County hospital and nursing home to Erie County Medical Center Corporation, the County continues to be directly responsible for the payment of certain bonded debt for these facilities. Bonded debt, in the amount of \$75,725,000 of Erie County Medical Center Corporation for which the County has indirect responsibility as guarantor, is not included above.
- (2) This schedule reflects remaining principal for bonds issued from 2001 to 2018 by the County.

Calculation of Constitutional Debt Limit

As of September 30, 2019

For Fiscal Year Ended December 31		Equalized Full Valuation of Taxable Real Property
2015	\$	49.214.694.098.00
2016	Ψ	51,961,517,243.00
2017		54,929,481,216.00
2018		58,098,573,862.00
2019		60,970,410,994.00
Total five year full valuation	\$	275,174,677,413.00
5 Year Average full valuation	\$	55,034,935,483.00
Debt limit - 7% of average full valuation	\$	3,852,445,483.81

Source: NYS Office of the State Comptroller - Data Management Unit

Calculation of Total Net Indebtedness

As September 30, 2019

Five year average full valuation (2015-2019)		\$ 55,034,935,483.00
Debt Limit - 7% of average full valuation		\$ 3,852,445,483.81
Outstanding Indebtedness: Bonds - General Bonds - Sewer Bond Guaranty - ECMCC (1) Total Indebtedness	\$ 271,660,000.06 74,967,157.62 75,725,000.00 422,352,157.68	
Less Exclusions: Sewer Exclusion	74,967,157.62 1,445,000.00 76,412,157.62	
Total Net Indebtedness		345,940,000.06
Net Debt Contracting Margin		\$ 3,506,505,483.75
Percentage of Debt Contracting Power Exhausted		8.98%

Sources:

Property Value - NYS Office of the State Comptroller - Data Management Unit Indebtedness and exclusions - Erie County Comptroller's Office

Note:

(1) Erie County Medical Center Corporation

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MISCELLANEOUS FINANCIAL DATA

Property Tax Collection History

Last Ten Fiscal Years

	County	All Other	Total Property Taxes Levied	Collected w Fiscal Year o		
Fiscal Year	Property Taxes Levied (1)	Property Taxes Levied (2)	for the Fiscal Year	Amount	Percentage of Levy	
2009	223,306,326	388,893,461	612,199,787	595,839,865	97.33%	
2010	232,413,974	405,958,043	638,372,017	622,129,950	97.46%	
2011	235,182,208	413,059,474	648,241,682	628,996,639	97.03%	
2012	237,692,831	418,201,340	655,894,171	636,198,405	97.00%	
2013	237,270,828	418,170,150	655,440,978	637,052,431	97.19%	
2014	241,721,087	420,052,940	661,774,027	644,024,505	97.32%	
2015	245,876,811	428,290,819	674,167,630	655,940,466	97.30%	
2016	257,638,097	437,982,920	695,621,017	677,125,859	97.34%	
2017	272,002,597	447,195,930	719,198,527	700,924,354	97.46%	
2018	287,386,093	457,147,623	744,533,716	725,368,656	97.43%	

Sources:

Erie County Department of Real Property Tax Services Erie County Govern Tax Collection System

Notes:

- (1) Totals shown exclude amounts levied in accordance with State law to recover election expenditures from the municipalities that were incurred by the County.
- (2) Totals shown are primarily comprised of taxes levied for the benefit of County towns, re-levy of uncollected school and village taxes, and sewer district taxes and user charges.

Short-Term Borrowing History (1)

2000 - 2018

Year	Amount	Туре	_	Issue Date	Maturity Date
2000	\$ -	N/A		N/A	N/A
2001	-	N/A		N/A	N/A
2002	43,000,000	RAN	(2)	09/18/02	09/17/03
2003	90,000,000	RAN		06/24/03	06/23/04
2004	82,500,000	RAN		07/14/04	07/13/05
2005	80,000,000	RAN		03/11/05	03/10/06
2005	80,000,000	RAN		07/14/05	07/13/06
2006	110,000,000	RAN		06/13/06	06/13/07
2007	75,000,000	RAN		06/27/07	06/27/08
2008	75,000,000	RAN		09/30/08	06/30/09
2009	103,534,867	BAN	(3)	05/20/09	05/18/10
2009	65,000,000	RAN		10/27/09	06/30/10
2010	45,000,000	RAN		08/12/10	06/30/11
2010	20,000,000	RAN		12/14/10	04/14/11
2011	88,000,000	RAN		10/06/11	06/29/12
2012	75,000,000	RAN		10/11/12	06/28/13
2013	109,440,000	RAN		08/27/13	06/30/14
2014	110,000,000	RAN		09/18/14	06/30/15
2015	89,560,000	RAN		12/14/15	06/30/16
2016	89,580,000	RAN		12/07/16	06/30/17
2017	111,225,000	RAN		09/28/17	06/30/18
2018	79,255,000	RAN		09/26/18	06/30/19

Source: Erie County Comptroller's Office

Notes:

- (1) Excludes all Bond Anticipation Notes ("BANs") issued by the Environmental Facilities Corporation.
- (2) Revenue Anticipation Notes ("RANs") may be issued in any fiscal year in anticipation of the collection or receipt of taxes (other than real property taxes) and certain other types of revenue which are due and payable in such fiscal year and moneys to be received from the State or Federal government which are due in such fiscal year. Pursuant to State law, such notes must mature within one year after the date of issuance, and may be renewed from time to time for periods of up to one year; however, the maturity of such notes, including renewals, may not extend beyond the end of the second fiscal year following the fiscal year in which such notes were originally issued.

The issuance of RANs has been necessitated, in part, by the State's practice of requiring local governments to pay 100% of the expenditures for various programs in advance, and then providing subsequent, often delayed, reimbursement for the non-local share.

(3) BANs may be issued in anticipation of bond proceeds to be received at a later date. On May 17, 2010, the BANs were paid by the issuance of long-term general obligation bonds by the ECFSA pursuant to an agreement entered into by the parties.

Outstanding Long-Term Direct Indebtedness (1)

Last Ten Fiscal Years As of December 31

Fiscal Year	Amount (2)	_
2009	336,954,031	
2010	448,722,294	(3)
2011	416,691,804	(3)
2012	392,619,957	(3)
2013	412,285,000	(3)
2014	391,605,000	(3)
2015	368,175,000	(3)
2016	348,165,000	(3)
2017	327,405,000	(3)
2018	318,235,000	(3)

Source: Erie County Comptroller's Office

Notes:

(1) Excludes all sewer debt payable from special assessments.

(2) Excludes ECMCC bond guaranty of \$99,305,000 for 2009, \$97,150,000 for 2010, \$94,900,000 for 2011, \$92,550,000 for 2012, \$90,085,000 for 2013, \$87,500,000 for 2014, \$84,790,000 for 2015, \$81,930,000 for 2016, \$78,910,000 for 2017, and \$75,725,000 for 2018.

(3) Excludes ECFSA Bonds and includes Erie County Mirror Bonds.

Valuations, Tax Levies and Rates

Last Five Fiscal Years

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Assessed Valuation \$	43,811,239,534	\$ 42,980,773,523	\$ 40,991,885,474	\$ 40,289,301,287	\$ 39,239,438,635
Equalized Full Valuation	60,970,410,994	58,098,573,862	54,929,481,216	51,961,517,243	49,214,694,098
Levied for County Purposes (1)	295,096,353	287,386,093	272,002,597	257,638,097	245,876,811
Rates for \$1,000 of Equalized Full Valuation	\$4.84	\$4.95	\$4.95	\$4.96	\$5.00

Source: Division of Real Property Tax Annual Reports

Note:

(1) Includes County and Library property taxes.

Computation of Constitutional Taxing Power for 2019

Tax Year	Full Valuation
2015	49,214,694,098
2016	51,961,517,243
2017	54,929,481,216
2018	58,098,573,862
2019	 60,970,410,994
Total	\$ 275,174,677,413
Five-Year Average Full Valuation	\$ 55,034,935,483
Tax Limit (1.5%) (1)	\$ 825,524,032
Total Exclusions	 66,584,171
Total Taxing Power	892,108,203
Total Levy for 2019 (2)	328,356,191
Tax Margin (1)	\$ 563,752,012

Source: Data excerpted from the County's Constitutional Tax Limit Report, filed with the New York State Comptroller

Notes:

- (1) New York State Constitutional Tax Limit equals 1.5% of Five-Year Average Full Valuation. By Amendment to the County Charter, the County has limited its annual property tax levy to one per centum (1.0%) of the five year average of full valuation. The County's 2019 total taxing power under this local law is \$616,933,526 leaving a tax margin of \$288,577,335
- (2) Includes County and Library property taxes, taxes for election expenses and Community College chargebacks.