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Tioga County Coroner's Office
Annual Report 2021

The Coroner's Office is located at 1062 State Route 38 in Owego, New York at the Health and Human Services Complex. The Coroner's Office is manned twenty-fours a day, seven days a week by an on-call system through the Tioga County 911 System.

The Tioga County Coroner's Office consists of four elected Coroners. The Coroners in Office during 2021 were Administrative Coroner W. Stewart Bennett, Neil J. Lewis, Robert P. Williams and Ryan H. Kline.

In 2021 Tioga County Coroner's office saw a slight decrease in drug related deaths compared to 2017 (11) 2018 (8) 2019 (14) 2020 (15) 2021 (7). Along with the decrease drug death cases, we also saw an increase of violent death cases. In 2021. The Tioga County Coroner's Office handled 116 cases; almost all cases were assigned through the 911 call center.

The cases were handled as follows:

January to December 2021

Robert P. Williams	38
Ryan H. Kline	20
Neil J. Lewis	7
W. Stewart Bennett	51

The 116 cases were ruled by the attending Coroner as follows:

Natural Causes	85
Accidental	15 (7 Drug Deaths)
Undetermined	1
Pending	11
Homicides	2
Suicides	2

2021 CORONER CASES BY TOWN

Barton	22
Berkshire	7
Candor	10
Newark Valley	11
Nichols	8
Owego	35
Richford	3
Spencer	10
Tioga	10
Total Cases	116

This yearly report is based on the information provided to the Administrative Coroner as of 12-31-2021.

Yearly Comparison:

2009 – 37	2016 - 88
2010 - 62	2017 - 92
2010 – 62	2018 - 98
2011 - 76	2019 - 119
2012 - 82	2020 - 128
2013 - 62	2021- 116
2014 – 85	
2015 – 83	

Respectfully submitted,

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Tioga County, New York