

Treasurer's Office 2022 Annual Report

Financial Highlights:

- In 2022 Tioga County experienced its best revenue results in history.
- Sales tax collections were up 11.5% to \$31,715,309, or 3 million dollars over 2021. The County shares 25% of these collections with Towns and Villages.
- Tioga Downs casino state aid came in at \$1,710,812. This was an addition of 176 thousand dollars over 2021.
- The Treasurer auctioned off 68 tax foreclosed properties at an August public auction. Despite writing off three years of uncollected property taxes, the sales produced a surplus of \$900,000 at closings.
- Additionally, the County received the second payment of \$4.6 million dollars from the Federal American Rescue Plan.
- The annual independent audit of all the County's 2021 financial transactions, funds balances, and investments reported a clean opinion with no adverse findings and verifications of all account balances. And once again found the County within compliance of all state and federal reporting requirements.
- In 2022, the County paid 2.9 million dollars in Community College tuition bills. This state mandated education service represented 12% of our county tax levy last year. One thousand five hundred and forty-one residences benefited by this program.

Staff Highlights:

- Treasurer James McFadden was elected to serve as President for the National Association of Tax Collectors, Treasurers and Finance Officers. A professional organization whose objective is to assist their members to better serve local, state, and national government.
- The Treasurer's Office was invested in succession planning in 2022:
 - Accountant Laura Schurter joined the Treasurer's staff and has been working hard at mastering her position as well as training with Chief Accountant Stephanie Jerzak.
 - Payroll Supervisor Amy Potter began training Accounting Associate III Julie Trudeau as a Payroll backup in 2022.
 - Deputy Treasurer Katie Chandler served on the Institute for Advancement board as co-chair, a County-sponsored program that provides sessions to County employees in the areas of leadership and professional development.
 - Accounting Associate III Peggie Nickels participated and graduated from the County's Institute for Advancement 2022 program.
- Creativity and teamwork were also flowing in the Treasurer's Office in 2022! The staff came together to create an award-winning door for the County's 3rd Annual Door Decorating Contest. They were excited to take ownership of the coveted chicken, who proudly sits in the front office.