LAKE COUNTY
Investing in People
and Our Communities

2019 Treasurer's Report



THE ROLE OF THE TREASURER



TREASURER

Represents the county of Lake and works with all departments such as:

- -Payroll
- -Accounts payable
- -Banking relations
- -Investment

COLLECTOR

The collector works with 18 township assessor's offices and over 290 different taxing districts in helping to collect and distribute the tax dollars.

TREASURER

Responsible for safekeeping and investing. \$334 million in cash and investments
Investments (non cash) amounts are

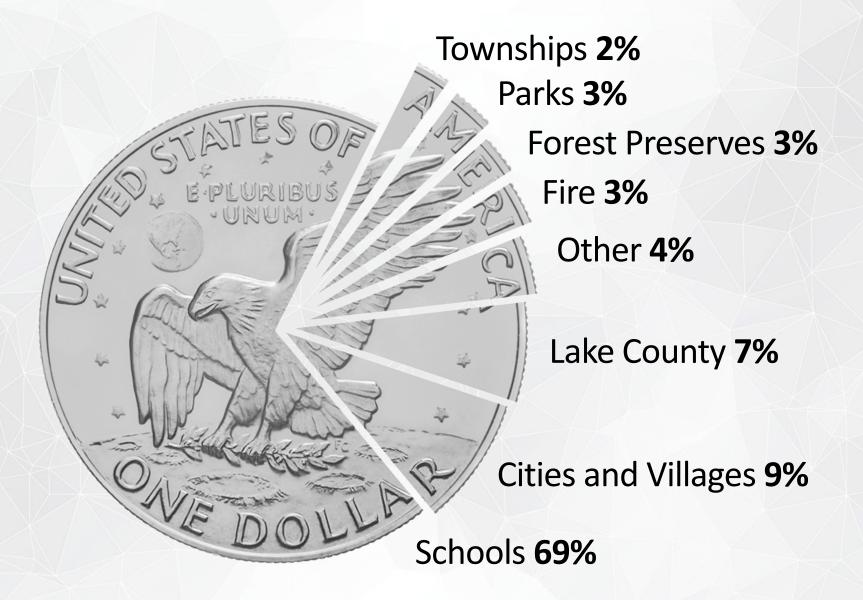
TYPE OF FUND	INVESTMENT AMOUNT
General Fund	\$243,594,300
Risk Management	\$6,000,000
County Motor Fuel	\$14,000,000
Public Works	\$68,567,000
Emergency Telephone Services	\$1,000,000
SWALCO	\$1,200,000

COLLECTOR

Collects 2.4 billion of property taxes levied by schools, municipalities, townships, and the county.

Distributes this money to 293 different taxing authorities.

TAX DISTRIBUTION



TREASURER'S OFFICE OVERVIEW

Treasurer's office earns \$3.2 million in interest income and \$3 million in fees for Lake County.

That means for every dollar that the county spends on the Treasurer's Office, it receives \$4.73 in revenue.

This does not include property taxes collected on behalf of the county, or the dollars distributed to local governments and schools.

OTHER EFFORTS I'M WORKING ON THAT BENEFIT YOU:

- Asking banks to work harder
- Educational outreach
- Community reinvestment
- Environmental sustainability and socially responsible investing

OTHER EFFORTS I'M WORKING ON THAT BENEFIT YOU (CONT.):

- Proactively looking for opportunities to save money
- Cutting printing costs
- Legislation to cut fees HB925

PROPERTY TAX EQUATION FIXED



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Fair Market Value	\$575,556	Pin Number Tax Year 15-07-200-019 2016	Tax Code 16052	0.00
Land Assessed Value	\$191,832			
Building Assessed Value Home Improvement Disabled Vet Homestead		Land Value + Building Value x State Multiplier	1.000000	\$40,467 \$145,770 000000000
State Multiplier	1.000	= Equalized Value		\$186,237
Equalized Value Farm Land & Bidg Assessed Value State Assessed Pollution Control State Assessed Railroads Total Assessed Value General Homestead Exemption Sr. Citizen Homestead Exemption Senior Freeze Returning Veterans Homestead Disabled / Disabled Veterans Natural Disaster Homestead	\$191,832	+ Farm Land and Bidg Value + State Assessed Pollution Ctrl + State Assessed Railroads = Total Assessed Value	М—	\$186,237
	\$191,832 \$191,832	- Fully Exempt - Senior Freeze - Home Improvement - General Homestead - Senior Homestead - Disabled / Veterans - Returning Veterans		
= Taxable Valuation	6.094754	= Taxable Valuation		\$186,237
x Tax Rate = Real Estate Tax	\$11,691.70	x Tax Rate		9.086380
+ Special Service Area + Drainage \$20.70 = Total Current Year Tax + Omit/Roll-Back Tax + Forfeited Tax	= Real Estate Tax + Special Service Area + Drainage = Total Current Year Tax + Omitted Tax + Forfeited Tax		\$16,922.20	
+ Interest as of 05/01/2019		=TOTAL TAX BILLED	0	\$16,922.20
+ Cost		Fair Market Value	W-	\$558,711
- Payment Received		1st installment Due 6/6/20		\$8,481.10
=TOTAL AMOUNT DUE	\$11,712.40	2nd Installment Due 9/6/20	117	\$8,461.10

TRANSPARENCY

PROPERTY TAX INSERT



Your Property Tax Distribution

While taxpayers pay their property taxes to the Lake County Treasurer, Lake County government receives only about 7% of the average tax bill payment. School districts get the biggest portion (about 69%).

See how your individual property taxes are distributed (for any parcel) and how to contact those taxing bodies. Visit: maps.lakecountyil.gov/taxdistribution



5 Ways to Pay Your Property Tax Bill

Did you know there are multiple ways to pay your property tax bill? Paying at a local bank or online may be quicker than driving to the Treasurer's Office in Waukegan.

Learn more: lakecountytreasurer.info/waystopay











In Person

New: Need Property Tax Information? Start Here!

To make property tax information easily accessible, Lake County has launched tax.lakecountyil.gov, which combines data from the Treasurer, County Clerk, and Chief County Assessment Office into one searchable database.

Search any Lake County property free of charge by entering an address, property PIN number, or property owner name to view tax bill information, property history, exemptions, permits, sketches, sales history, and a host of other property characteristics. Visit: tax.lakecountyil.gov

Property Tax FAQ: What Can Lake County Do?

Lake County has more than 200 individual entities that levy property taxes, which is why the Lake County Board is pursuing partnerships and looking for consolidation opportunities to reduce this number. Consolidation efforts are centered around partnerships that will enhance efficiency, accountability, and cost savings.

One recent example is the dissolution of the Seavey Drainage District. Lake County is also working on final agreements for consolidation with the Lakes Region Sanitary District, Transitioning service to the Lake County Public Works department will allow for the streamlining of resources and the eventual elimination of the district tax levy. Lake County is also collaborating with public safety partners from across the county to explore opportunities to consolidate many 911 centers into a few regional 911 centers to improve public safety and efficiency, and provide cost savings.

Property Tax FAQ: What Can I Do?

Inquire, Appeal, and Provide Input

There are actions you can take to potentially lower your property taxes.

Review your tax bill and visit tax.lakecountyil.gov, or reach out to the Chief County Assessment Office or your township assessor's office to determine if you have all the exemptions to which you are entitled.

Find contact information for the Chief County Assessment Office and your township assessor's office: assessor.lakecountvil.gov

Exemptions are available for:







Homestead



Improvement



Seniors



- Assessment notices for 2019 will be mailed later this year. Once you receive your notice, visit tax.lakecountyil.gov for details on your home and check for accuracy. If you feel you are over-assessed, you should contact your township assessor's office, then if necessary, file an assessment appeal. Assessment appeals filed in 2019 are applicable for tax bills paid in 2020. More information: assessor.lakecountyil.gov
- Provide input at a local budget hearing! The Lake County Clerk's office maintains a list of the local taxing districts' scheduled public meetings relating to budgets, tax levies, and truth in taxation. View the schedule: lakecountyil.gov/propertytax

Got Questions? Contact the Lake County Treasurer's Office Call 847-377-2323, or visit lakecountytreasurer.info





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Insert – cut costs

Versatile need for information sharing.

Information to be shared from Lake County pages



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Schools 69

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WAYS TO PAY



Local Bank



Mail



Phone



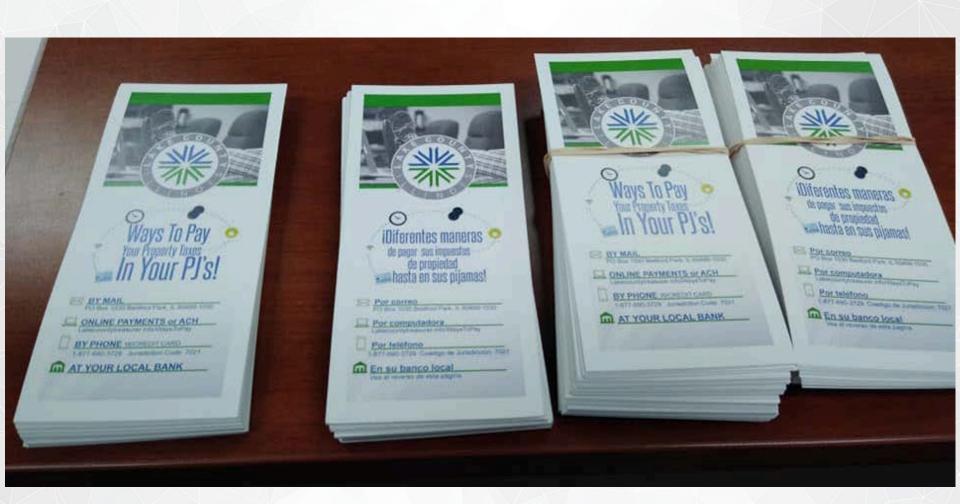
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In Person



WAYS TO PAY



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OPEN GOVERNMENT



WELCOME

TO PROPERTY RECORDS SEARCH

Important: This site provides access to the Assessment and Tax office property records database in Lake County, Illinois. You can access public records by search by street address, Parcel ID or various other methods.

Basic Search Advanced Search Map Search

Please understand that the Lake County Tax Offices operate on different years, due to the Illinois property tax cycle taking place over a two-year timeframe. The tax offices are working in the 2018 year, which corresponds to the property tax bill property owners will receive in early May of 2019. The assessor's offices are working in the 2019 year currently. The Year selection in the upper right of each datalet screen can be changed by customers, so that they can get the best information for their needs.

NEWSLETTER AND SOCIAL

More frequent newsletter at least 1x a month, but sometimes more.

Social media presence.

Explanation videos.

The human touch. Customer service is still a priority.

INVESTING IN LAKE COUNTY

- ESG (Environmental, Social and Governance – criteria)
- Investment philosophy

Investing more in Lake County Schools

Looking for maximum returns with safe investments.

CHALLENGES

TYLER SYSTEM

Contract with project manager ends 4/30/19

Collections and disbursements are all summer and into the fall.

CHALLENGES

Office is understaffed and under resourced.

 The headcount in Treasurer's Office was 24 and is currently 16

Insufficient resources to meet obligations.

 Without sufficient resources to serve taxpayers, we see longer wait times on phones and in person

TREASURER'S OFFICE OVERVIEW

- 16 employees
- Annual budget of \$1,344,071.00
- \$2.4 billion of property tax revenue
- Recap: 293 different taxing authorities
- 285,000 separate tax bills

Total revenue for county: \$6,356,200

Total expenses: \$1,344,071

ALL THIS with only 16 employees!

THANK YOU

Questions?

Followup contact: HKim@LakeCountylL.gov