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BEN ANDERSON OKALOOSA COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR

July 31, 2013

Ms. Cathy Galavis, Budget Supervisor Department of Revenue Property Tax Oversight Program P.O. Box 3000 Tallahassee, Florida 32315-3000

Dear Ms. Galavis,

In compliance with Section 195.087, Florida Statutes, please find attached the proposed budget for the Okaloosa County Tax Collector's office for the period of October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014. This budget conforms to the requirements and specifications in the Tax Collector's Instruction Workbook which is provided annually by the Department.

I certify that the information contained herein is a true and accurate presentation of our work program during this period and of our expenditures indicated during prior periods.

Sincerely,

Benjamin F. Anderson

Okaloosa County Tax Collector

Benjamin f. Anderson

Enclosures

cc: Board of County Commissioners

DR-584, R. 04/13

Rule 12D-16.002, eff. 04/13

Provisional

TAX COLLECTOR'S SUMMARY OF THE 2013-14 BUDGET BY APPROPRIATION CATEGORY

OKALOOSA COUNTY

EXHIBIT A

MILE N. S. COMPANIE	ACTUAL	APPROVED	ACTUAL		(INCREASE/D	DECREASE)	AMOUNT	(INCREASE/DI	ECREASE)
	EXPENDITURES 2011-12	BUDGET 2012-13	EXPENDITURES 6/30/13	REQUEST 2013-14	AMOUNT	%	APPROVED 2013-14	AMOUNT	%
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(6a)	(7)	(8)	(8a)
PERSONNEL SERVICES (Sch. 1-1A)	\$4,010,144	\$4,475,754	\$3,023,507	\$4,6 10,033	\$134,279	3.00%			
OPERATING EXPENSES (Sch. II)	\$1,062,736	\$1,082,770	\$743,979	\$1,208,499	\$125,729	11.61%			
OPERATING CAPITAL OUTLAY (Sch. III)	\$97,117	\$74,400	\$15 <i>,</i> 790	\$88,800	\$14,400	19.35%			
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$5,169,997	\$5,632,924	\$3,783,276	\$5,907,332	\$274,408	4.87%			
NUMBER OF POSITIONS		80		80					
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DETAIL OF SALARIES

OKALOOSA COUNTY

SCHEDULE I

DOR USE ONLY

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Pos.	Position Classification	Annual Rate 9/30/13	Position Designation	Guideline	Other	Funding	Annual Rate 9/30/14	Guideline	Other	Funding	Annual Rate 9/30/14
(1)	(2)	(3)	(3a)	(4a)	(4b)	(5)	(6)	(7a)	(7b)	(8)	(9)
1	Official	\$121,543				\$121,543	121,543				
2	Chief Operations Officer	\$84,500	S	\$1,400		\$85,900	85,900			-	
3	Chief Financial Officer	\$81,500	S	\$1,400		\$82,900	82,900				
4	Chief Information Officer	\$83,900	S	\$1,400	-	\$85,300	85,300				
5	Finance Administrator	\$68,675	D	\$1,400	100	\$70,075	70,075		_	-	
6	Customer Service Agent	\$29,653		\$1,400		\$31,053	31,053	= 1	7		
7	Chief Branch Operations Officer	\$92,700	S	\$1,400	_	\$94,100	94,100				
8	Branch Manager	\$48,900		\$1,400		\$50,300	50,300			1	
9	Director of Tax Department	\$79,310	٧				79,310				-
10	Branch Manager	\$52,215	D	\$1,400	-	\$53,615	53,615				
11	Branch Administrator	\$51,100		\$1,400		\$52,500	52,500	-	-		
12	Director of Professional Development	\$45,344	R	\$1,400		\$46,744	46,744				
13	Tax Administrator	\$48,380		\$1,400		\$49,780	49,780				
14	Director of Field Services	\$48,380	***************************************	\$1,400		\$49,780	49,780	-	-		
15	Finance Administrator	\$38,500		\$1,400		\$39,900	39,900				
16	Customer Service Agent	\$28,810		\$1,400		\$30,210	30,210			-	
17	Customer Service Agent	\$28,810		\$1,400	-	\$30,210	30,210	-			
18	Assistant Branch Manager	\$39,140		\$1,400		\$40,540	40,540				
19	Assistant Branch Manager	\$40,170	_	\$1,400		\$41,570	41,570				
20	Assistant Branch Manager	\$40,335		\$1,400		\$41,735	41,735	-			
21	Customer Service Supervisor	\$36,523		\$1,400		\$37,923	37,923				
22	Branch Manager	\$55,620		\$1,400		\$57,020	57,020			I	
23	Director of Community Relations	\$77,294	V				77,294	-			,
24	Assistant Branch Manager	\$40,335		\$1,400		\$41,735	41,735				-
25	Assistant Branch Manager	\$39,140		\$1,400	-	\$40,540	40,540	-			
26	Tax Analyst	\$33,417		\$1,400		\$34,817	34,817				-
27	Customer Service Supervisor	\$34,990		\$1,400		\$36,390	36,390				 .
28	Customer Service Supervisor	\$35,554		\$1,400		\$36,954	36,954	-			

Pos.	Position Classification	Annual Rate 9/30/13	Position Designation	Guideline	Other	Funding	Annual Rate 9/30/14	Guideline	Other	Funding	Annual Rate 9/30/14
(1)	(2)	(3)	(3a)	(4a)	(4b)	(5)	(6)	(7a)	(7b)	(8)	(9)
29	Senior Service Agent	\$31,369		\$1,400		\$32,769	32,769	(/ 11)	(12)	(0)	(2)
30	Customer Service Supervisor	\$34,372		\$1,400		\$35,772	35,772			-	
31	Customer Service Supervisor	\$34,207		\$1,400		\$35,607	35,607		-		
32	Tax Analyst	\$30,417		\$1,400		\$31,817	31,817	- 			
33	Senior Service Agent	\$29,840	ATTENNE	\$1,400		\$31,240	31,240				
34	Customer Service Supervisor	\$33,960		\$1,400		\$35,360	35,360		-		
35	Senior Service Agent	\$29,907		\$1,400	_ =	\$31,307	31,307	**	- 1		
36	Senior Service Agent	\$29,840	_	\$1,400		\$31,240	31,240	_			
37	Customer Service Agent	\$28,810		\$1,400		\$30,210	30,210	_	-		
38	Senior Service Agent	\$30,041		\$1,400		\$31,441	31,441				
39	Customer Service Agent	\$29,131		\$1,400		\$30,531	30,531				
40	Customer Service Agent	\$28,810		\$1,400		\$30,210	30,210	-	_		
41	Customer Service Agent	\$28,810		\$1,400		\$30,210	30,210				-
42	Customer Service Agent	\$28,810	_	\$1,400	-	\$30,210	30,210				
43	Customer Service Agent	\$28,810		\$1,400		\$30,210	30,210		-		
44	Customer Service Agent	\$28,810		\$1,400		\$30,210	30,210				
46	Field Agent	\$29,840	_	\$1,400		\$31,240	31,240	-			
47	Customer Service Supervisor	\$38,157		\$1,400		\$39,557	39,557				
48	Customer Service Supervisor	\$33,960		\$1,400		\$35,360	35,360				
49	Customer Service Agent	\$28,810		\$1,400		\$30,210	30,210			-	
50	Customer Service Agent	\$28,810		\$1,400		\$30,210	30,210		-		
51	Customer Service Agent	\$28,810		\$1,400		\$30,210	30,210			5310	
52	Customer Service Agent	\$28,810	_	\$1,400		\$30,210	30,210				
53	Finance Administrator	\$48,500		\$1,400		\$49,900	49,900				
54	Director of Human Resources	\$51,500		\$1,400		\$52,900	52,900				
55	IT Specialist	\$38,000		\$1,400		\$39,400	39,400				
56	Customer Service Supervisor	\$33,960		\$1,400		\$35,360	35,360	-			
57	Branch Manager	\$49,410		\$1,400		\$50,810	50,810	2/6/ (1903)			
58	Assistant Branch Manager	\$39,140		\$1,400		\$40,540	40,540				-
59	Customer Service Agent	\$28,810		\$1,400		\$30,210	30,210		-		
60	Chief Administrative Officer	\$98,880	S	\$1,400		\$100,280	100,280				
61	Senior Service Agent	\$29,840	_	\$1,400		\$31,240	31,240				
62	Senior Service Agent	\$29,840		\$1,400		\$31,240	31,240				
63	Senior Service Agent	\$30,854		\$1,400		\$32,254	32,254				
Pos.	Position	Annual Rate	Position				Annual Rate			Contract !	Annual Rate

No.	Classification	12/22/92	Designation	Guideline	Other	Funding	10/22/96	Guideline	Other	Funding	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(3a)	(4a)	(4b)	(5)	(6)	(7a)	(7b)	(8)	(9)
64	Customer Service Supervisor	\$34,644		\$1,400		\$36,044	36,044				
65	Senior Service Agent	\$30,417		\$1,400		\$31,817	31,817				
66	Customer Service Agent	\$28,810		\$1,400		\$30,210	30,210				
67	Customer Service Agent	\$28,810		\$1,400		\$30,210	30,210				
68	Superintendent of Maintenance	\$33,960		\$1,400	0	\$35,360	35,360			, -	
69	Branch Manager	\$49,200		\$1,400		\$50,600	50,600				
70	Customer Service Agent	\$28,810	-	\$1,400		\$30,210	30,210	-			
71	Customer Service Agent	\$28,810		\$1,400		\$30,210	30,210	(*)	1		_
72	Customer Service Agent	\$28,810		\$1,400		\$30,210	30,210				
73	Customer Service Agent	\$28,810		\$1,400		\$30,210	30,210		-	-	
74	Customer Service Agent	\$28,810		\$1,400		\$30,210	30,210	-			
75	Customer Service Agent	\$28,810		\$1,400		\$30,210	30,210				
76	Customer Service Agent	\$28,810		\$1,400		\$30,210	30,210	·			
77	Customer Service Agent	\$28,810		\$1,400		\$30,210	30,210				_
78	Customer Service Agent	\$28,810		\$1,400		\$30,210	30,210				
79	Customer Service Agent	\$28,810		\$1,400		\$30,210	30,210		-		
80	Customer Service Agent	\$28,810		\$1,400		\$30,210	30,210				
81	Branch Manager	\$47,380		\$1,400		\$48,780	48,780				
New	Positions:										
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1	Official	121,543				121,543	121,543				
79	Current Positions	3,135,201		107,800		3,086,397	3,243,001				
	New Positions										
80	TOTAL	\$3,256,744		\$107,800		\$3,207,940	\$3,364,544				

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DETAIL OF PERSONNEL SERVICES

OKALOOSA COUNTY

SCHEDULE IA

	ACTUAL	APPROVED	ACTUAL		INCREASE/(D	ECREASE)	AMOUNT
OBJECT CODE	EXPENDITURES 2011-12	BUDGET 2012-13	EXPENDITURES 6/30/13	REQUEST 2013-14	AMOUNT	0/0	APPROVED 2013-14
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(6a)	(7)
PERSONNEL SERVICES:							
11 OFFICIAL	\$121,451	\$121,543	\$88,480	\$121,543			
12 EMPLOYEES (REGULAR)	2,775,797	2,978,597	2,121,755	3,086,397	107,800	3.62%	
13 EMPLOYEES (TEMPORARY)	33,557	52,350	13,377	44,850	(7,500)	-14.33%	
14 OVERTIME						~	
15 SPECIAL PAY	48,330	40,000	27,500	45,000	5,000	12.50%	
21 FICA					TERESER !		
2152 REGULAR	175,329	244,219	162,715	252,281	8,062	3.30%	
2153 OTHER	40,167					~	
22 RETIREMENT						REPLANT.	Supplements to entrache the supplement
2251 OFFICIAL	13,228	19,204	9,051	40,146	20,942	109.05%	
2252 EMPLOYEE	109,024	139,402	89,185	180,375	40,973	29.39%	
2253 SMS/SES	28,335	39,762	20,605	83,261	43,499	109.40%	
2254 DROP	8,782	8,625	4,923	16,203	7,578	87.86%	
23 LIFE & HEALTH INSURANCE	617,471	798,402	467,144	717,224	(81,178)	-10.17%	
24 WORKER'S COMPENSATION	12,986	13,650	13,838	14,093	443	3.25%	
25 UNEMPLOYMENT COMP.	25,687	20,000	4,934	8,660	(11,340)	-56.70%	
TOTAL PERSONNEL SERVICES	\$4,010,144	\$4,475,754	\$3,023,507	\$4,610,033	134,279	3.00%	

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DETAIL OF OPERATING EXPENSES

OKALOOSA COUNTY

SCHEDULE II

	ACTUAL	APPROVED	ACTUAL		INCREASE/(I	DECREASE)	AMOUNT
OBJECT CODE	EXPENDITURES 2011-12	BUDGET 2012-13	EXPENDITURES 6/30/13	REQUEST 2013-14	AMOUNT	0/0	APPROVED 2013-14
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(6a)	(7)
OPERATING EXPENSES:							
31 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES							
3151 E.D.P.	\$57,077	\$14,676	\$3,818	\$12,900	(\$1,776)	-12.10%	
3154 LEGAL	32,224	\$39,700	17,725	38,550	(1,150)	-2.90%	
3159 OTHER							
32 ACCOUNTING & AUDITING	1,200	\$20,000	320	24,000	4,000	20.00%	
33 COURT REPORTER							
34 OTHER CONTRACTUAL							
40 TRAVEL	22,372	42,062	12,318	48,148	6,086	14.47%	
41 COMMUNICATIONS	9,748	10,502	6,508	11,872	1,370	13.05%	
42 TRANSPORTATION				to where		V Salvero	
4251 POSTAGE	132,924	102,270	61,227	123,060	20,790	20.33%	
4252 FREIGHT							
43 UTILITIES	39,285	37,909	28,046	50,152	12,243	32.30%	
44 RENTALS & LEASES						<u> </u>	
4451 OFFICE EQUIPMENT	15,909	17,540	11,070	17,672	132	0.75%	
4452 VEHICLES							
4453 OFFICE SPACE	236,188	245,820	203,278	253,600	7,780	3.16%	
4454 E.D.P.							
45 INSURANCE & SURETY	53,912	59,348	57,289	82,641	23,293	39.25%	

DETAIL OF OPERATING EXPENSES (CONT.)

SCHEDULE II

	ACTUAL	APPROVED	ACTUAL		INCREASE/(DECREASE)	AMOUNT
OBJECT CODE	EXPENDITURES 2011-12	BUDGET 2012-13	EXPENDITURES 6/30/13	REQUEST 2013-14	AMOUNT	%	APPROVED 2013-14
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(6a)	(7)
46 REPAIR & MAINTENANCE					NI DIVERSI		
4651 OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$790	\$1,054	\$ -	\$1,084	\$30	2.85%	
4652 VEHICLES	3,469	6,400	2,849	6,400			
4653 OFFICE SPACE	20,647	5,208	4,089	7,534	2,326	44.66%	
4654 E.D.P.	284,483	332,635	268,509	357,970	25,335	7.62%	
47 PRINTING & BINDING							
48 PROMOTIONAL							IN SAUSEY
49 OTHER CURRENT CHARGES							
4951 LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS	22,535	33,200	19,415	23,600	(9,600)	-28.92%	
4959 OTHER							
51 OFFICE SUPPLIES				_			
52 OPERATING SUPPLIES	114,739	88,151	30,502	116,866	28,715	32.57%	W. P. L. L.
54 BOOKS & PUBLICATIONS							
5451 BOOKS							
5452 SUBSCRIPTIONS							
5453 EDUCATION	5, 2 30	14,870	6,378	19,375	4,505	30.30%	
5454 DUES/MEMBERSHIPS	10,004	11,425	10,638	13,075	1,650	14.44%	
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	\$1,062,736	\$1,082,770	\$743,979	\$1,208,499	125,729	11.61%	

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DETAIL OF OPERATING CAPITAL OUTLAY

OKALOOSA COUNTY

SCHEDULE III

	ACTUAL	APPROVED	ACTUAL	8 2 7	INCREASE/(DECREASE)	AMOUNT
OBJECT CODE	EXPENDITURES 2011-12	BUDGET 2012-13	EXPENDITURES 6/30/13	REQUEST 2013-14	AMOUNT	%	APPROVED 2013-14
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(6a)	(7)
CAPITAL OUTLAY:							SOME STATE OF THE
64 MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT							
61 LAND							
62 BUILDINGS	\$8,892						E ESTENSE
6451 E.D.P.	\$33,234	\$54,400		\$68,800	\$14,400	26.47%	
6452 OFFICE FURNITURE	4,154		14,756		_		
6453 OFFICE EQUIPMENT	6,724		1,034				
6454 VEHICLES	16,453	20,000		20,000			
66 BOOKS							
68 INTANGIBLE ASSETS (SOFTWARE)	27,660						
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$97 ,1 17	\$74,400	\$15 <i>,</i> 790	\$88,800	\$14,400	19.35%	

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OPERATING CAPITAL OUTLAY (CONT.) DETAIL OF EQUIPMENT REQUESTED

OKALOOSA COUNTY

SCHEDULE III A

INSTALLMENT PURCHASES

ITEM	TOTAL CONTRACT COST	MONTH AND YEAR PURCHASED	LENGTH OF CONTRACT	REQUEST 2013-14

OTHER CAPITAL ITEMS

ITEM	UNIT PRICE	QUANTITY	REPLACE	NEW	REQUEST 2013-14
Ceiling Projector	\$1,200	1		1	\$1,200
DocuScan Document System	37,000	1		1	35,000
Road Testing Tablets (State Issued)	2,300	2		2	4,600
DL Printer (State Issued)	10,000	2		2	20,000
DL Signature Pads (State Issued)	1,100	2	•	2	2,200
Panasonic Toughbook	2,900	2		2	5,800
Vehicle	20,000	1	1		20,000

STATEMENT OF COMMISSIONS AND EXPENDITURES

OKALOOSA COUNTY EXHIBIT B

DESCRIPTION	ACTUAL 10/01/11 - 09/30/12	ACTUAL 10/01/12- 06/30/13	ESTIMATED 07/01/13 - 09/30/13	TOTAL 2012- 2013	ESTIMATED 2013- 2014
(1)	(2)	(3)	(3a)	(3b)	(4)
Commissions:					
State					
Motor Vehicles	862,254	606,593	308,000	914,593	920,000
Environmental Protection					
Game and Fish	21,650	12,264	6,132	18,396	21,500
Sales Tax	9,360	6,623	3,570	10,193	10,500
Drivers License	419,406	268,000	125,000	393,000	400,000
County	3,142,324	3,003,093	2,615	3,005,708	3,037,000
Districts	425,726	342,875	30,000	372,875	375,000
Tax Sale	384,833	303,062		303,062	350,000
Advertisements	20,019	18,769	500	19,269	25,000
Business Tax Receipts	103,905	32,256	60,000	92,256	100,000
Tourist Tax					400,000
Other - List					
Interest (Earned)	48,733	55,449	6,000	61,449	50,000
Miscellaneous Income	15,963	13,478	2,000	15,478	20,000
Branch Fees	156,096	109,993	51,800	161,793	165,000
Tax Related Fees		80,607		80,607	80,000
Birth Certificate Fees		200	2,000	2,200	15,000
Total Commissions	\$5,610,269	\$4,853,262	\$597,617	\$5,450,879	\$5,969,000
Less Total Expenditures/Budget	\$5,169,997	\$3,783,276	\$1,544,196	\$5,327,472	\$5,907,332
Balance	\$440,272	\$1,069,986	(\$946,579)	\$123,407	\$61,668

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JUSTIFICATION SHEET OKALOOSA COUNTY

	OBJECT CODE		AMOUNT	
NUMBER	NAME	SCHEDULE	OF INCREASE (DECREASE)	JUSTIFICATION
11	Official	1A	\$ -	Salary set by 145.11, Florida Statutes. No increase because no estimate was provided at time of budget submittal. Adjustments will be made by DOR upon receipt of final factors.
12	Employees (Regular)	1A	107,800.00	Hybrid of State and County recommended increases. State recommended \$1,400 to employees making ≤ \$40,000 and \$1,000 to employees making > \$40,000. County recommended a 3% COLA. In an effort to provide fairness to each of our employees, a \$1,400 across the board increase was applied.
13	Employees (Temporary)	1A	(7,500.00)	2 part time clerks, 35 hours pay period at \$14.465 per hour, performing clerical duties. 1 part time clerk, 35 hours pay period at \$10.50 per hour, performing clerical duties, and 1 part time clerk, 30 hours pay period at \$11.50 per hour, performing clerical duties. *Pay periods are biweekly
15	Special Pay	1A	5,000.00	Certification pay for course completion (OCTC Policy #508)/31 employees @ \$1,250, total \$38,750, not including the Tax Collector (se attached certification worksheet), Annual leave payout for employees separation (\$6,250)
2152	FICA Regular	1A	8,062.00	7.65% of total salaries plus special pay of \$45,000 (\$3,297,790)
2251	Retirement - Official	1A	20,942.00	33.03% of official salary (\$121,543)
2252	Retirement - Employee	1A	40,973.00	6.95% of total employee salary (\$3,086,397), plus Temporary pay (\$44,850), plus special pay (\$45,000), less SMSC employee's salary po #2,3,4,7,60 (\$448,480) & DROP pos. #5,10 (\$123,690), less certification pay for SMSC and DROP (\$8,750) (\$2,595,327)
2253	Retirement - SMSC	1A	43,499.00	18.31% of total SMSC salary pos. #2,3,4,7,60 (\$448,480), plus certification pay (\$6,250) (\$454,730)
2254	Retirement - DROP	1A	7,578.00	12.84% of total DROP salary pos. #5,10 (\$123,690) plus certification pay (\$2,500) (\$126,190)
23	Life & Health Insurance	1A	(81,178.00)	Health - 10% Decrease, 78 employees, \$678,609; Dental - 19% Increase 78 employees, \$27,294; Life/LTD - 0% change, 78 employees, \$8,321. *Amounts are per year. Also included is \$3,000 for employee assistance program and drug tests.
24	Worker's Compensation	1A	443.00	amount quoted by BCC
25	Unemployment Comp.	1A	(11,340.00)	estimate of expected claims for unemployment based on actual FY13 expenses and projected FY14 expenses.
3151	Electronic Data Proc.	П	(1,776.00)	web domain, internet services, Office software licenses, bankruptcy software license, Accruint software license, SKYPE, Symantec AV

3154	Prof. Services - Legal	II	(1,150.00)	Bankruptcy, Personnel Issues, TPP tax warrants, Contract reviews, TDT, and Clerk of Court case warrants
32	Accounting & Auditing	II	4,000.00	internal auditing services to include expenses associated with audit function of TDT collections.
40	Travel	II	6,086.00	in-county and out of county travel to include all inileage, per diem, lodging, and misc travel expenses. Also includes travel for Field Enforcement Agents with increase for additional field services for TDT (new program). See attached travel worksheet.
41	Telephone	II	1,370.00	phone/wireless service
4251	Postage	II	20,790.00	Postage for DMV renewals, H&F, BTR, TDT mailouts and coupons, metered mail, certified mail, and priority letters. See attached postage worksheet
43	Utilities	II	12,243.00	electric and water/sewer for Niceville, Destin, Eglin, and Hurlburt office locations. Gulf Power expecting a 7.5% increase in rates.
4451	R/L Office Equipment	II	132.00	postage machine, letter opener, water dispenser, and copy machines
4453	R/L Office Space	II	7,780.00	rent for Niceville office. Based on CPI data, minimum 3%. Includes property taxes for Niceville office.
4454	R/L E.D.P.	II	-	
45	Insurance & Surety	II	23,293.00	property/liability insurance quoted by BCC (53% increase over prior year), association insurance for Destin office, insurance for Niceville office, and notary renewals (9).
4651	R/M Office Equipment	II	30.00	repairs to vault, safes, typewriters, calculators, etc.
4652	R/M Vehicles	II	-	cleaning and preventative maintenance of vehicle fleet.
4653	R/M Office Space	II	2,326.00	alarm monitoring, carpet cleaning, and misc. office repairs
4654	R/M EDP	II	25,335.00	TAXSYS (4% contractual increase as well as new increase for Touris module), RTL High speed Maint., Qflow, TlG phone system maintenance, BUCS/Chips, Cisco Smartnet Maintenance, Trivantis, Survey Monkey, Barracuda Spam, WaveNet, HP Server maint., Adobe CSS website management, Adobe Standard, Website maint., and disaster recovery.
4951	Legal Advertisements	II	(9,600.00)	open roll and delinquent roll ad and community outreach advertising
52	Operating Supplies	П	28,715.00	office supplies, envelopes, letterhead, toner cartridges, paper, computers, printers, scanners, UPS, USB drives, computer equipmer janitorial supplies, tax bills, BTR vending decals, BTR forms, busines cards, comment cards. Includes new office located on Hurlburt Field ASAF and increased office size and staff on Eglin USAF.
5453	Education	II	4,505.00	registration fees for various education. See attached education worksheet

5454	Dues/Membership	П	1,650.00	newspaper subscriptions, TC Dues, FABTO Dues, FGFOA Dues, city directories, Certification dues, NADA appraisal guides, Polk Motor Vehicle Guides, ID Checking Guides, News Service Florida, Statute books
62	Buildings	III	\$ -	
6451	Equipment E.D.P.	III	14,400.00	Ceiling Projector, DocuScan Document Storage, Road Testing tablets (2), DL printer (2), DL signature pads (2), Toughbooks (ceiling projector and DocuScan document storage were approved in FY13 budget and have not been purchased because of opening of Hurlburt Field USAF office and expansion of Eglin USAF office.)
6452	Office Furniture	III	-	
6453	Office Equipment	III	-	
6454	Vehicles	III	-	1 vehicle to replace Ford F150 (vehicle approved in FY13 budget and has not been purchased because of opening of Hurlburt Field USAF office.)
GRAND TOTA	AL		\$274,408	1

EMPLOYEE CERTIFICATION WORKSHEET

OKALOOSA COUNTY

POS.				ANNUAL
NO.	POSITION TITLE	EMPLOYEE NAME	DATE	AMOUNT
10	Branch Manager	Hanratty, Jolene	1995	\$1,2
60	Chief Administrative Officer	Harkins, Jim	1995	\$1,2
5	Finance Administrator	Owens, Paula	1996	\$1,2
7	Chief Branch Operations Officer	Gillespie, Theresa	1996	\$1,2
3	Chief Financial Officer	Holguin, Keri	2000	\$1,2
22	Branch Manager	Davenport, Cristina	2001	\$1,2
24	Assistant Branch Manager	Dabney, Sarah	2004	\$1,2
4	Chief Information Officer	Parsons, Eric	2005	\$1,2
20	Assistant Branch Manager	Hlavaty, Angela	2006	\$1,2
28	Customer Service Supervisor	Knight, Patricia	2006	\$1,2
47	Customer Service Supervisor	Childs, Heath	2006	\$1,2
69	Branch Manager	Mellott, Cherrylyn	2006	\$1,2
2	Chief Operations Officer	Holguin, John	2008	\$1,2
8	Branch Manager	O'Neill, Carolyn	2008	\$1,2
14	Director of Field Services	Allen, Josh	2004	\$1,2
57	Branch Manager	Allmon, Alice	2004	\$1,2
19	Assistant Branch Manager	Wiley, Neena	2008	\$1,2
26	Tax Analyst	Luster, Kathy	2008	\$1,2
12	Director of Professional Development	Holcomb, Carolyn	2010	\$1,2
25	Assistant Branch Manager	Vaughan, Nichole	2010	\$1,2
27	Customer Service Supervisor	Castro, Jenny	2011	\$1,2
81	Branch Manager	Grissom, Lindsey	2011	\$1,2
	URRENT DESIGNATIONS SIGNATIONS 2013-14			\$27,5
POS.				PRORATE
	POSITION TITLE	EMPLOYEE NAME	DATE	AMOUNT
NO.	10011101111122		2012/2014	\$1,2
NO. 13	Tax Administrator	Gordon, Justin	2013/2014	Ψ1,2
411777		Gordon, Justin Craven, Jennifer	2013/2014	
13	Tax Administrator		·	\$1,2
13 15	Tax Administrator Finance Administrator	Craven, Jennifer	2013/2014	\$1,2 \$1,2
13 15 21	Tax Administrator Finance Administrator Customer Service Supervisor	Craven, Jennifer Smith, Debra	2013/2014 2013/2014	\$1,2 \$1,2 \$1,2
13 15 21 30	Tax Administrator Finance Administrator Customer Service Supervisor Customer Service Supervisor	Craven, Jennifer Smith, Debra Twele, Esther	2013/2014 2013/2014 2013/2014	\$1,2 \$1,2 \$1,2 \$1,2
15 21 30 53	Tax Administrator Finance Administrator Customer Service Supervisor Customer Service Supervisor Finance Administrator	Craven, Jennifer Smith, Debra Twele, Esther Beam, Kate	2013/2014 2013/2014 2013/2014 2013/2014	\$1,2 \$1,2 \$1,2 \$1,2 \$1,2
13 15 21 30 53 54	Tax Administrator Finance Administrator Customer Service Supervisor Customer Service Supervisor Finance Administrator Director of Human Resources	Craven, Jennifer Smith, Debra Twele, Esther Beam, Kate Bruns, Shari	2013/2014 2013/2014 2013/2014 2013/2014 2013/2014	\$1,2 \$1,2 \$1,2 \$1,2 \$1,2 \$1,2
13 15 21 30 53 54 55	Tax Administrator Finance Administrator Customer Service Supervisor Customer Service Supervisor Finance Administrator Director of Human Resources IT Specialist	Craven, Jennifer Smith, Debra Twele, Esther Beam, Kate Bruns, Shari Miller, Edgar	2013/2014 2013/2014 2013/2014 2013/2014 2013/2014 2013/2014	\$1,2 \$1,2 \$1,2 \$1,2 \$1,2 \$1,2 \$1,2 \$1,2

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FIELD TRAVEL:							
Number of Field Employees	Mileage Reimbursement Rate	Total miles per employee	Total F	ield Travel	Employees Reimb. At Flat Rate	Amount per Employee	Total Flate Rate Reimb.
3		1 1	\$6	5,300			
ADMINISTRATIVE TRAVEL:							
	Mileage	Total miles			Employees	Amount	
Number of Administrative Employees	Reimbursement Rate	per employee	Total Admir	ustrative Travel	Reimb. At Flat Rate	per Employee	Total Flate Rate Reimb.
13			\$2	2,439			
			TOTAL LO	CAL TRAVEL			\$8,739
	SCHC	OL, CONFE	RENCE OR C	THER TRAVEL		Anna anna	
SCHOOLS:							
Name	City	No. of Employees Traveling	No. of Days Traveling	Total Transportation Cost per Event	Daily Room Cost per Employee	Daily Per Diem per Employee	TOTAL
DOR TCC501	TBA	3	6	\$150	\$130	\$34	\$2,712
DOR TCC503	ТВА	3	6	\$150	\$130	\$34	\$2,712
DOR Continuing Ed.	TBA	2	3	\$100	\$130	\$34	\$824
FL. CPM Program (Levels 1 - 4)	TBA	2	16	\$225		\$12	\$609
IT Workshop	TBA	4	4	\$300	\$130	\$34	\$2,404
Leadership Okaloosa	TBA	1	2		\$130	\$22	\$174
TaxSys User Group	TBA	7	5	\$300	\$120	\$34	\$4,850
TOTAL							\$14,285
CONFERENCES:							
Name	City	No. of Employees Traveling	No. of Days Traveling	Total Transportation Cost per Event		Daily Per Diem per Employee	TOTAL
Spring TC Education Forum	TBA	2	5	\$150	\$130	\$41	\$1,600
Fall TC Education Forum	TBA	10	6	\$450	\$130	\$41	\$9,410
FABTO Conference	TBA	4	6	\$300	\$ 130	\$41	\$3,884
FGFOA Conference	TBA	2	5	\$150	\$130	\$41	\$1,600
BUCS User Conference	TBA	2	5	\$1,000	\$130	\$41	\$2,450
SHRM Certification Seminar	ТВА	2	5	\$150	\$130	\$34	\$1,530
FTDTA Conference	TBA	6	5	\$300	\$130	\$41	\$4,650
TOTAL							\$25,124
ОТНЕК:							
		No. of Employees		Total Transportation		Daily Per Diem per	TOTAL
Type of Trave	1	Traveling	Traveling	Cost per Event	Employee	Employee	TOTAL
TOTAL							
		Т	OTAL SCHO	OL, CONFEREN	ICE OR OTHE	ER TRAVEL	\$39,409
			TOTAL TRA	AVEL REQUEST			\$4 8,148

POSTAGE WORKSHEET OKALOOSA COUNTY

Type of Mail	Number of Items	Postage Rate	Total
MASS MAILINGS:			
TAXES:			
Tax Notices - Real Property	104,913	0.53	\$55,604
Tax Notices - Personal Property	13,031	0.53	\$6,906
Reminder Notices - Real & Personal Property	7,612	0.47	\$3,578
Installment Notices	8,236	0.70	\$5,765
Informational Notice to Mortgagor	282	0.53	\$149
TAGS AND REGISTRATIONS:			
Motor Vehicles/Vehicles	195,000	0.46	\$89,700
OTHER: (Specify Type)			
Business Tax Receipts	16,000	0.46	\$7,360
Hunting/Fishing	8,000	0.46	\$3,680
Tourist Tax	12,000	0.46	\$5,520
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Amount Reimbursed by County for Tax Mailings:		1	(\$72,000)
TOTAL MASS MAILINGS			\$106,263
			\$200,200
GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE			
Metered Mail	25,000	\$0.46	\$11,500
Priority Mail / Certified Mail	Fluctuating	Variable	\$5,297
			
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TOTAL GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE			\$16,797
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FOTAL POSTAGE REQUEST		L	\$123,060

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Sponsor	City	Tuition	Texts	Attending	TOTAL
OOR TCC501	TBA	\$600		3	\$1,800
OOR TCC503	TBA	\$600		3	1,800
OR Continuing Ed.	TBA	\$600		2	1,200
OR Bankruptcy Course	Online	\$50		2	100
orida's CPM Program (Levels 1 - 4)	TBA	\$900		2	1,800
TOTAL					\$6,700
		WORKSHO	PS	a remark and the	
		WORKSHO!	13	Number	
Sponsor	City	Tuition	Texts	Attending	TOTAL
l' Workshop	TBA	\$225		4	\$900
eadership Okaloosa	Niceville	\$900		1	900
ulf Power Economic Symp.	TBA	\$100		4	400
TOTAL					\$2,200
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Sponsor	City	Tuition	Texts	Attending	TOTAL
pring TC Education Forum	TBA	\$225		2	\$450
all TC Education Forum	TBA	\$225		10	2,250
ABTO Conference	TBA	\$250		4	1,000
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GFOA Conference	I TBA I	\$250 L			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
GFOA Conference	TBA TBA	\$250 \$500		2	500
UCS User Conference	TBA	\$500		2 2	500 1,000
UCS User Conference HRM Certification Seminar	TBA TBA	\$500 \$500		2 2 2	500 1,000 1,000
UCS User Conference HRM Certification Seminar TDTA Conference	TBA	\$500		2 2	500 1,000 1,000 1,350
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UCS User Conference HRM Certification Seminar TDTA Conference	TBA TBA	\$500 \$500		2 2 2	500 1,000 1,000 1,350
UCS User Conference HRM Certification Seminar TDTA Conference	TBA TBA	\$500 \$500	Texts	2 2 2 6	500 1,000 1,000 1,350
UCS User Conference HRM Certification Seminar TDTA Conference TOTAL	TBA TBA TBA	\$500 \$500 \$225	Texts	2 2 2 6 Number	500 1,000 1,000 1,350 \$7,550
UCS User Conference HRM Certification Seminar TDTA Conference TOTAL Sponsor	TBA TBA TBA City	\$500 \$500 \$225 Tuition	Texts	2 2 2 6 Number Attending	500 1,000 1,000 1,350 \$7,550
UCS User Conference HRM Certification Seminar TDTA Conference TOTAL Sponsor axSys User Group	TBA TBA TBA City TBA	\$500 \$500 \$225 Tuition \$75	Texts	2 2 2 6 Number Attending 7	500 1,000 1,000 1,350 \$7,550 TOTAL \$525
UCS User Conference HRM Certification Seminar TDTA Conference TOTAL Sponsor axSys User Group	TBA TBA TBA City TBA	\$500 \$500 \$225 Tuition \$75	Texts	2 2 2 6 Number Attending 7	500 1,000 1,000 1,350 \$7,550 TOTAL \$525
UCS User Conference HRM Certification Seminar TDTA Conference TOTAL Sponsor axSys User Group	TBA TBA TBA City TBA	\$500 \$500 \$225 Tuition \$75	Texts	2 2 2 6 Number Attending 7	500 1,000 1,000 1,350 \$7,550 TOTAL \$525

Contract Worksheet FY 13-14

DBJECT			ANNUAL
CODE	VENDOR NAME	PURPOSE OF CONTRACT	AMOUNT
4654	Grant Street Group	Tax Collection and Billing system (TaxSys)	\$262,0
4453	Ruckel Properties	Niceville office lease	\$243,6
4451	Copy Products Company	copy machine lease	\$12,9
		Maintenance contract for Q-Flow (ticketing and	, ,.
4654	ACF Technologies	queuing customers)	\$19,0
4 654	RT Lawrence	Maintenance contract for high speed processors	\$17,0
4451	MailFinance	postage meter lease	\$4,3
4654	Donald R. Frey & Company	Annual maintenance for Accounting software (BUCS budgetary control system/CHIPS payroll system)	\$8,0
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DATA PROCESSING PURCHASE JUSTIFICATION OKALOOSA COUNTY

		OKALOOSA COUNT	Ϋ́		
ITEM REQUESTED	NUMBER REQUESTED	MAKE AND MODEL NUMBER	LENGTH OF PAYMENT SCHEDULE	COST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013-14	FULL COST
DocuScan Document System	1		1 time	\$35,000	\$35,000
Road Testing Tablets	2	Motion Computing J3500	1 time	\$4,600	\$4,600
DL Printer	2	Zebra 640I	1 time	\$20,000	\$20,000
DL Signature Pads	2	Verifone MX 870	1 time	\$2,200	\$2,200
Panasonic Toughbook	asonic Toughbook 2 CF-53JWLZY1M 1 time \$5,800 ck One Below: PLACEMENT OF EXISTING EQUIPMENT ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT ATEMENT OF NEED: To include but not be limited to age, condition, response time, etc. of existing equipment used to Document Systems is needed to reduce physical storage space and allow the OCTC to move forward and	\$5,800			
Check One Below: REPLACEMENT OF EXISTIN	G EQUIPMENT		ADDITIONAL E	QUIPMENT 🖸]
	is needed to reduce	physical storage space and	allow the OCTC t	o move forward a	ınd utilize a
digital file cabinet.					
Road Testing Tablets are need	ed for DL agents pe	rforming road tests. Tablets	automatically gr	ade customer's ro	ad test based on
GPS positioning, removing any	y guesswork or age	nt discretion, creating a fair	grading platform.		
DL Printer and DL Signature p					. T . T
Panasonic Toughbooks will be					
implementation of Tourist Tax					
duties while out of the office.	A greater risk of da	mage is associated with this	resulting in the n	eed for the Tough	ibooks.
HOW LONG WILL THIS PUI	RCHASE FULFILL	THOSE NEEDS?			
DocuScan - 6 to 7 years					
Road Testing Tablets - 5 years	(until vendor contra	act expires with the State)			
DL Printer and Signature pads	-4 to 5 years				
Panasonic Toughbooks - 3 to 4	years				
ADDITIONAL COMMENTS	OR PERTINENT I	NFORMATION			

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302 N. Wilson Street, Suite 101 Crestview, FL 32536

> 506 Highway 85 North Niceville, FL 32578



4012 Commons Dr. West, Unit 122 Destin, FL 32541

> 310 Van Matre Ave. Suite 155, Building 210 Eglin AFB, FL 32542

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OKALOOSA COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR

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Comprehensive Plan

The Okaloosa County Tax Collector's office operates in a RedHat Linux, MSSQL and MySQL database environment with XP and Windows 7 workstations. Currently, the software used on the tax and billing server is provided by Grant Street Group. TAXSYS is web based software for the collection and distribution of Taxes to include the Tourist Development Tax. Other systems include the Vital Statistics birth certificate issuance, BUCS Accounting and CHIPS Payroll, Axis Camera system, High Speed Processor, QFLOW numbering system. OCTC servers operate on Server 2008 OS.

We are on the schedule to upgrade state computers at the end of 2013 and be completed by March 2014. These systems are used to process Driver Licenses and Motor Vehicle transactions while providing a connection into shared interfaces for cashiering within TaxSys using Payment Express, Renew Express(Motor Vehicle renewal), and Deed Express. Currently 5 Tax Collector offices provide driver license services while Niceville is the only office to offer road testing.

To keep existing printers and servers operating past the estimated life, repair parts have been purchased for in house repair as they fail.

2013-2014

Refresh of high speed processor's computers and systems
Continue training regimen for IT department
Upgrade to Exchange(newest release)
Update Antivirus
Replace Field Staff Laptops
Update spam filtering software
Replace HP8150 BTR Printer

2014-2015

Update Antivirus
Continue training regimen for IT department
Website redesign
Webserver replacement
Replace management computers
Upgrade Spam filter
Upgrade to Exchange 2010
Replacement of receipt printers on counters

2015-2016

Update Antivirus Continue training regimen for IT department Domain Server replacement Exchange Server replacement

VEHICLE INVENTORY FORM

2013 - 14

OKALOOSA COUNTY

Vehicle Make	Model	Year Leased or Purchased	Mileage	Assigned Work Unit
2008 Ford	Expedition	10/10/2008	81,825	Field
2001 Ford	Expedition	7/28/2003	145,105	Field
1996 Ford	F150	2/27/1996	125,490	Field
2006 Ford	Expedition	9/22/2006	82,125	Administrative
2006 Ford	Explorer	10/13/2006	46,225	Administrative
2008 Ford	Expedition	9/30/2008	57,416	Administrative
2011 Toyt	Scion	8/27/2012	16,284	Administrative
2011 1091	Scion	0/2//2012	10,204	7 Administrative
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DETAIL OF VACANT POSITIONS

OKALOOSA COUNTY

Pos. No.	Position Classification	Annual Rate 9/30/13	# Days Vacant
9	Director of Tax Department	79,310	*
23	Director of Community Relations	77,294	*
*	No funding requested for these position	ns in FY13/14	
	10 10		

st Please insert additional lines if necessary.

2013-14 Ta	ax Collecto	or
OKALOOS	SA COUNTY	
FTE By Activity	Estimated FTE	Estimated Annual Transactions
Property Tax		109,328.00
DMV	1	324,580.00
Game & Fish	(F.00	5,162.00
BTR	65.00	16,491.00
Drivers License		70,247.00
Miscellaneous (list)		108,734.00
Administrative	13.00	
Total	78.00	634,542.00

List Miscellaneous activities below:

Includes number of calls answered by Customer Service and Processing Center.

^{*}Annual Transactions based on 7/1/12 - 6/30/13

^{*}Annual Transactions do not include Tourist Tax Collections that will begin October 1, 2013.

SUMMARY OF REDUCTIONS REQUEST

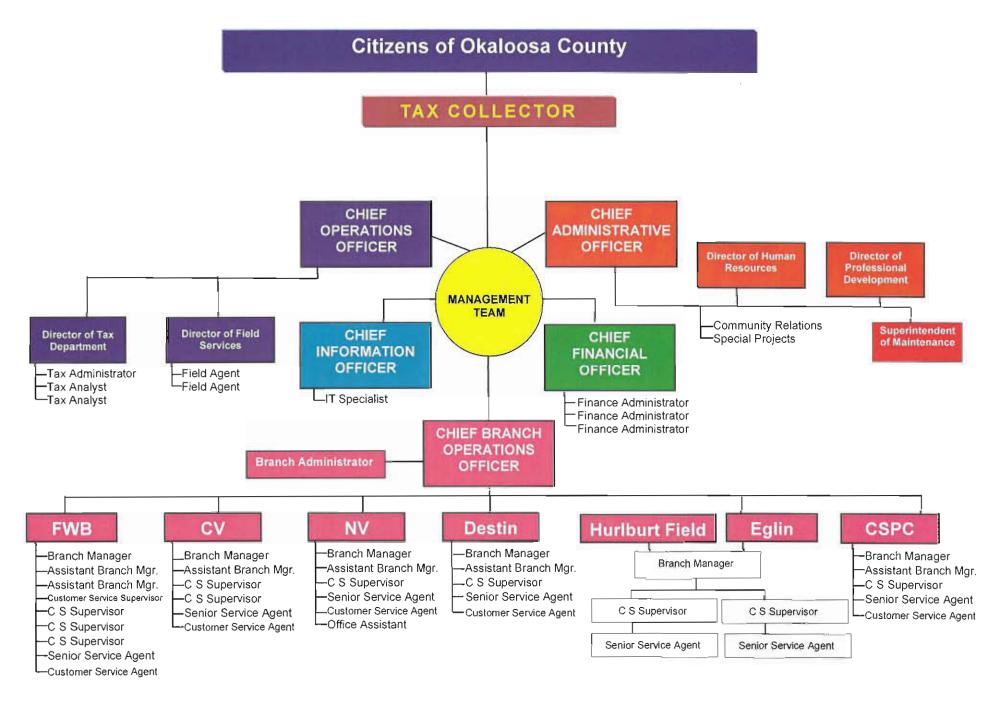
TAX COLLECTOR OKALOOSA COUNTY

APPROPRIATION CATEGORY	APPROVED BUDGET Reductions Requested by Reductions Requested by the COUNTY			Reductions Reflected in REQUEST	
	2012-13	2013-14	AMOUNT %	AMOUNT	%
PERSONNEL SERVICES (Sch. 1-1A)	4,475,75 4	4,610,033		134,279	3.0%
OPERATING EXPENSES (Sch. II)	1,082,770	1,208,499		125,729	11.6%
OPERATING CAPITAL OUTLAY (Sch. III)	74,400	88,800		14,400	19.4%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$5,632,924	\$5,907,332		\$274,4 08	4.9%
NUMBER OF POSITIONS	80	80			

^{*} Please use the Reductions Justification tab to clarify any deviation in the reductions requested by the county and the reductions reflected in the budget request.

At the time of this budget submittal to DOR, the Okaloosa BOCC had not made known any specific reduction requests for the Tax Collector's budget.

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



MEMORANDUM

TO:

All County Property Appraisers and Tax Collectors

FROM:

Cathy Galavis, Budget Supervisor

Property Tax Oversight Program

SUBJECT: Budget Update

The Legislature adopted guidelines for State Employee pay increases. An employee whose base pay is \$40,000 or less on September 30, 2013, will receive an increase to their salary of \$1,400 on October 1, 2013. An employee whose base pay is greater than \$40,000 on September 30, 2013, will receive an increase to their salary of \$1,000, also on October 1, 2013. In addition, state agencies are given the option to provide one-time lump sum performance bonuses of \$600 to eligible employees. The budget does not include any changes to state employee health insurance premiums or employee retirement contributions

Senate Bill 1810 provides new retirement rates for fiscal year 2013-14 (no rate information is provided for 2014-15). The new rates are provided below for use in the preparation of your budget request. Further information on rates can be found at: http://www.myfrs.com/imageserver/pdf/2013_Legislation.pdf

Retirement Rates Per Senate Bill 1810		Employee Contribution Rate
Local Government Retirement Rates	Rate from 7/1/13 to 6/30/14	Rate from 7/1/13 to 6/30/14
Regular Employees	6.95%	3.00%
County Elected Officers	33.03%	3.00%
Senior Management Class	18.31%	3.00%
DROP	12.84%	0.00%

Memorandum May 13, 2013 Page Two

The Legislature provided funding for the Department of Revenue to furnish aerial photographs, at the Department's expense, to counties with a population of 50,000 or less who are scheduled to receive photographs this year. Counties with a population greater than 50,000 continue to be required to obtain aerial photographs at their own expense at least once every three years.

As in the past, all of the above actions are subject to the Governor's approval. Should he veto any of these items, we will notify you of the changes.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (850) 617-8845, or Fran Keyes at (850) 617-8842.

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Okaloosa administrator proposes millage increase, gas tax hike

By KARI C. BARLOW / Daily News Published: Monday, July 15, 2013 at 17:16 PM.

Okaloosa County Administrator Ernie Padgett has proposed a 10 percent property tax rate increase in the proposed 2013-14 tentative budget.

The \$278.9 million spending plan also calls for a 5-cent gas tax hike.

The property tax rate increase – from 3.28 mills to 3.62 mills – would generate an additional \$4.3 million annually, while the gas tax increase would generate an extra \$3.3 million.

Padgett's proposal marks a dramatic departure from the budgets proposed and passed in Okaloosa County over the past five years. Since 2008, the county has taken major steps to avoid raising taxes including reducing its annual budget by about 18 percent, or almost \$56 million, and cutting its workforce by 89 employees. The county also has repeatedly pulled money from its reserves to balance annual budgets.

Read a summary of the proposed county budget, >>

But those cost-cutting measures have taken a heavy toll, Padgett said.

"Okaloosa County has fallen significantly behind in addressing levels of service on a number of fronts," he said. "Major capital project funding remains a ehallenge. Any desire to step up road construction, resurfacing or storm water projects will require additional funding."

The county, Padgett said, must take a new approach if it wants to maintain the level of service it provides to residents.

"The time has come that we need to reverse this trend," he said. "We need to raise the revenue to pay our bills and (not) run out of reserves so if something happens we have to go out and borrow money."

County Commission chairman Don Amunds said he is not inclined to support a budget that raises property taxes or gas taxes.

"It's definitely a tough year," he said. "But at the end of the day, everyone has to live within their means."

Padgett's proposed budget includes a 3 percent salary increase for county employees that would start Oct. r. the beginning of the next fiscal year. It also includes a \$2 million increase for the Sheriff's Office, about half of what Sheriff Larry Ashley has requested. Of that \$2 million, \$600,000 would be used for state retirement fund contributions, another \$600,000 would pay for a 3 percent salary increase for Sheriff's Office employees, and the remaining \$800,000 would be allocated according to other agency needs.

Any additional revenue generated by a gas tax increase can be used only for road construction and repair and specific infrastructure projects.

Padgett said he is pleased with the tentative budget and eager to hear from commissioners and residents. The county will hold several budget reviews through early August before commissioners take a final vote.

"In my opinion, it's a good approach," he said. "But if the board elects not to do that ... I'll make adjustments and pull things out that I had put in there and then balance

it."

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Board of County Commissioners Risk Management

State of Florida

May 28, 2013

Ben Anderson Tax Collector 101-E. James Lee Blvd. Crestview, FL 32536

Re: Corrected - Employee Benefit Costs and Insurance Costs for FY 2014 Budget

Dear Mr. Anderson:

Thank you for your continued participation in our self-insurance and employee benefit programs.

For the 2014 fiscal year, your allocation for Workers' Compensation is \$14,093.23 and the allocation for property/liability/other insurance is \$62,418.62.

Working with our actuary, we have attempted to create an "other insurance" allocation that more accurately reflects the exposure of each department. The allocation is based on payroll, number of vehicles and property value. Prior year allocations appear to have been based in large part on what had been done previously and the new methodology has resulted in some significant changes both up and down for individual departments. In addition to the methodology change, the overall amount of "other insurance" to be allocated increased, due in part to rising insurance costs.

We recommend funding your employee health insurance program using \$8,701 per employee. The County is projecting a 10% decrease in Florida Blue Premiums for this coming year. The present plans, Blue Options 3769 (base plan), Blue Options 3559 (buy up plan) and the Blue Options 3361 (HRA plan) will continue to be offered.

No changes are anticipated for the Vision program. Attached are the new rates for ASI. The Flex plan continues to be popular and we anticipate no changes in the current plan.

We continue in our efforts to control costs while providing the broadest possible coverage. If you have any questions concerning the program, please call me.

Sincerely yours,

Gary R. Real Risk Manager JIM HARKINS
OKALOOSA COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR
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RE: Policy: 160-750035 Renewal Effective: 10/1/2013

Thank you for allowing Standard Insurance Company to provide quality products to support your employees' insurance needs. We are pleased to renew your policy with continued coverage and services.

Beginning in 2014, health insurers are required to pay an annual Health Insurer Assessment Fee (HIAF) in accordance with Section 9010 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA). The amount due from each insurer is based on the insurer's market share of health premiums, including dental and vision insurance premiums. Rates in this renewal notification are adjusted to reflect the estimated cost of this fee. We reserve the right to adjust rates based on PPACA fees or assessments imposed by any governmental authority or agency.

We have carefully reviewed the current composition of your organization and evaluated the experience of your dental and vision policy. Based upon this review and application of rate factors appropriate for your industry classification, effective October 1, 2013, we are adjusting your premium rates as indicated in the chart below. These rates are guaranteed until October 1, 2014.

Division 1/Class 1
Dental Coverage
Employee
Employee & Family

Through 9/30/2013 \$24.50 per member \$75.50 per member

Effective 10/1/2013 \$29.16 per member \$89.84 per member

If you have any questions about your rates or our review process our Employee Benefits Sales and Service office at 813-879-2900 is available to serve your needs. We value your business and welcome the opportunity to provide continued assistance to you.

Sincerely yours,

Group Insurance Underwriter Employee Benefit Services Standard Insurance Company