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## COUNTY OF ERIE

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November 8, 2012

Erie County Legislature  
92 Franklin Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
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Honorable Mark C. Poloncarz  
Erie County Executive  
95 Franklin St., 16<sup>th</sup> 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, 2012 (i.e., "Third Quarter 2012"). The Report, enclosed for your review, consists of the following elements:

- Financial Statements
- Investment Reports
- Cash Flow Statements
- 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 2012 Adopted Budget amount of \$411,047,133 is predicated on a 2.51% increase in sales tax revenue above the County's 2011 actual sales tax revenue.

The final adjusted sales tax revenue amount for the County's Second Quarter 2012 was \$198,412,084 compared to \$192,885,656 for the Second Quarter of 2011; i.e., an increase of 2.87%.

During the first nine months of 2012, the County experienced an \$8,401,714 (2.86%) increase in sales tax revenue, compared to the first nine months of 2011. The final revenue amounts at September 30, 2012 will be known to the County in mid-November.

## **Real Property Taxes**

Through the nine-month period ended September 30, 2012, the County received 92.1% of the \$311,412,974 that was levied and is collectible for County purposes, which is 0.3% lower than the percentage collected as of September 30, 2011. Taxes remaining to be collected are at \$24,695,715 compared to \$23,284,191 at September 30, 2011 (6.1% increase).

## **2012 Capital Borrowing**

On March 29, 2012 the County Legislature approved the County Executive's 2012 Consolidated Bond Resolution for capital projects amounting to approximately \$36.7 million, of which approximately \$21.2 million was approved to be bonded. Including the Legislature's authorization in 2011 of \$3 million for the new polar bear exhibit at the Buffalo Zoological Gardens, approximately \$24.2 million was authorized and bonded.

On August 14, 2012, the County closed a bond transaction involving a principal amount of \$20,960,000 in "new County money" that provided the necessary cash to fund the related capital projects.

## **Short-term Borrowing in 2012**

On September 20, 2012, the County Legislature authorized my office to issue revenue anticipation notes ("RAN's") not to exceed \$80 million and further approved the County Executive's Declaration of Need requesting the Erie County Fiscal Stability Authority ("ECFSA") to conduct the borrowing on behalf of the County.

On October 11, 2012, the County's \$75 million RAN closed through the requested mirror Bond Anticipation Note-Revenue Anticipation Note (BAN-RAN) arrangement with the ECFSA.

## **Erie County Medical Center Corporation ("ECMCC")**

Once the County's scheduled \$12.32 million Disproportionate Share ("DSH") payment was made in September 2012, coupled with the County's scheduled \$5.05 million Upper Payment Limit ("UPL") payment in June 2012, the County's total DSH/UPL outlay to-date for 2012 is approximately \$17.37 million. In early October 2012, the Budget Office learned the remaining two DSH/UPL payments for 2012, amounting to approximately \$22.57 million, may be postponed to early 2013 and, if paid in 2013, will be recognized as a 2013 expenditure; i.e., the County's 2012 DSH/UPL payment obligation to ECMCC may be considered "complete" at approximately \$17.37 million which is approximately \$1.17 million greater than the County's budgeted annual subsidy of \$16.2 million.

To mitigate the County's financial challenges associated with its gross DSH/UPL payment obligations (which have substantially exceeded the budgeted \$16.2 million annual subsidy), the Poloncarz Administration has negotiated with ECMCC officials to amend the 2010 settlement agreement.

The County's Administration anticipates the First Amendment to the Settlement Agreement will smooth out any unexpected financial obligations related to the settlement agreement. Beginning in 2014, anticipated Medicaid reforms related to the Affordable Health Care for America Act are expected to alleviate the County's financial obligations relating to gross DSH/UPL payment obligations.

To make binding, the First Amendment to the Settlement Agreement must be ratified by the County Legislature and a justice of the New York State Supreme Court. These formal actions are pending.

## **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 ECMCC, 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 final quarterly report for 2012 as the "Fourth Quarter Financial Report" will be incorporated into the County's 2012 year-end Comprehensive Annual Financial Report which is currently scheduled to be released in June 2013. The next quarterly financial report will be issued in April 2013 for the First Quarter 2013.

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

Sincerely yours,



David J. Shenk  
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, 2012**



**Erie County Comptroller's Office**

**DAVID J. SHENK**  
**Erie County Comptroller**

**NOVEMBER 8, 2012**

**COUNTY OF ERIE, NEW YORK**

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**COUNTY OF ERIE, NEW YORK**

**Balance Sheet**

**Governmental Funds**

**September 30, 2012**

(amounts expressed in thousands)

	<u>General</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
<b>ASSETS:</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents .....	\$ 588	\$ 40,761	\$ 41,349
Investments .....	-	200	200
Receivables (net of allowances)			
Real property taxes, interest, penalties and liens .....	71,799	12	71,811
Other .....	3,936	30,458	34,394
Due from other funds .....	24,986	26,742	51,728
Due from other governments .....	210,361	23,845	234,206
Prepaid items .....	156	-	156
Loan receivable .....	300	-	300
Restricted cash .....	178	85,246	85,424
<b>Total assets .....</b>	<b>\$ 312,304</b>	<b>\$ 207,264</b>	<b>\$ 519,568</b>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>			
Accounts payable .....	\$ 12,941	\$ 4,909	\$ 17,850
Accrued liabilities .....	60,622	5,156	65,778
Due to other funds .....	4,243	26,639	30,882
Due to component unit .....	1,579	-	1,579
Due to other governments .....	3,040	1	3,041
Retained percentages payable .....	-	1,549	1,549
Unearned revenue .....	13,133	30,519	43,652
Deferred revenue .....	59,554	-	59,554
<b>Total liabilities .....</b>	<b>155,112</b>	<b>68,773</b>	<b>223,885</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>			
Nonspendable:			
Loan receivable .....	300	-	300
Prepaid items .....	156	-	156
Restricted for:			
Handicapped parking .....	111	-	111
Law enforcement .....	67	-	67
E-911 system costs .....	-	1,366	1,366
Debt service .....	-	9,808	9,808
Capital expenditures .....	-	86,134	86,134
Assigned:			
Other purposes .....	41,065	41,183	82,248
Unassigned .....	115,493	-	115,493
<b>Total fund balances .....</b>	<b>157,192</b>	<b>138,491</b>	<b>295,683</b>
<b>Total liabilities and fund balances .....</b>	<b>\$ 312,304</b>	<b>\$ 207,264</b>	<b>\$ 519,568</b>

**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances**

**Governmental Funds**

For the nine months ended September 30, 2012

(amounts expressed in thousands)

	<u>General</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
<b>REVENUES:</b>			
Real property taxes and tax items .....	\$ 223,393	\$ 37,290	\$ 260,683
Sales and use taxes .....	519,041	2,937	521,978
Transfer taxes .....	-	6,610	6,610
Intergovernmental .....	244,389	43,053	287,442
Departmental .....	52,151	11,068	63,219
Interest .....	826	3,549	4,375
Miscellaneous .....	3,326	2,488	5,814
<b>Total revenues .....</b>	<b>1,043,126</b>	<b>106,995</b>	<b>1,150,121</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>			
Current:			
General government support .....	277,661	6,063	283,724
Public safety .....	92,111	12,826	104,937
Health .....	50,445	5,363	55,808
Transportation .....	16,202	16,272	32,474
Economic assistance and opportunity .....	422,539	11,553	434,092
Culture and recreation .....	15,061	-	15,061
Education .....	52,307	64	52,371
Home and community service .....	1,574	32,987	34,561
Capital outlay .....	-	41,697	41,697
Debt service:			
Principal retirement .....	-	36,637	36,637
Interest and fiscal charges .....	479	14,006	14,485
<b>Total expenditures .....</b>	<b>928,379</b>	<b>177,468</b>	<b>1,105,847</b>
<b>Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures .....</b>	<b>114,747</b>	<b>(70,473)</b>	<b>44,274</b>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):</b>			
Issuance of general obligation debt .....	-	24,110	24,110
Premium on bond issuance .....	-	3,245	3,245
Sale of property .....	227	-	227
Transfers in .....	-	67,123	67,123
Transfers out .....	(73,917)	(10,634)	(84,551)
<b>Total other financing sources (uses) .....</b>	<b>(73,690)</b>	<b>83,844</b>	<b>10,154</b>
<b>Net change in fund balances .....</b>	<b>41,057</b>	<b>13,371</b>	<b>54,428</b>
<b>Fund balances at beginning of year .....</b>	<b>116,135</b>	<b>125,120</b>	<b>241,255</b>
<b>Fund balances at end of nine months .....</b>	<b>\$ 157,192</b>	<b>\$ 138,491</b>	<b>\$ 295,683</b>



**Statement of Net Assets**

Proprietary Fund

September 30, 2012

(amounts expressed in thousands)

	<u>Business - Type Activity Enterprise Fund Utilities Aggregation Fund</u>	
<b>ASSETS:</b>		
<b>Current Assets:</b>		
Other receivables .....	\$	356
Due from other governments .....		<u>2,661</u>
<b>Total current assets .....</b>		<b><u>3,017</u></b>
<b>Total assets .....</b>		<b><u>3,017</u></b>
 <b>LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>		
Accounts payable .....		184
Accrued liabilities .....		213
Due to other funds .....		<u>389</u>
<b>Total current liabilities .....</b>		<b><u>786</u></b>
<b>Total liabilities .....</b>		<b><u>786</u></b>
 <b>NET ASSETS:</b>		
Unrestricted .....		<u>2,231</u>
<b>Total net assets .....</b>	\$	<b><u>2,231</u></b>

## Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Assets

### Proprietary Fund

For the nine months ended September 30, 2012

(amounts expressed in thousands)

	Business - Type Activity Enterprise Fund Utilities Aggregation Fund
<b>OPERATING REVENUES:</b>	
Interfund revenues .....	\$ 4,333
Other operating revenue .....	9,647
<b>Total operating revenue .....</b>	<b>13,980</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES:</b>	
Employee wages .....	34
Employee benefits .....	20
Utilities and telephone .....	14,262
<b>Total operating expenses .....</b>	<b>14,316</b>
Change in net assets .....	(336)
Total net assets - beginning .....	2,567
<b>Total net assets at end of nine months .....</b>	<b>\$ 2,231</b>

## Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets

### Fiduciary Fund

September 30, 2012

(amounts expressed in thousands)

	<b>Agency Fund</b>
<b>ASSETS:</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents .....	\$ 32,575
Receivables:	
Other receivables .....	1,518
Due from other governments .....	5
Bonds and securities held in custody .....	17
<b>Total assets .....</b>	<b>\$ 34,115</b>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>	
Held in custody for others .....	\$ 34,115
<b>Total liabilities .....</b>	<b>\$ 34,115</b>

**COMBINING & INDIVIDUAL  
FUND STATEMENTS & SCHEDULES**

## 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 Special Revenue 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 Special Revenue Fund**  
Used to account for the activities of the various sewer districts currently in operation within the County.
- **Downtown Mall Special Revenue 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 Special Revenue 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 Special Revenue 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. This fund is expected to be closed out during 2012.
- **Grants Special Revenue 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 Special Revenue 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.

## 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.
- **Erie County Medical Center Corporation (ECMCC) Capital Projects Fund**  
Utilized to account for capital projects that are for the acquisition or construction of buildings, improvements and equipment for the Erie County Medical Center Corporation

## Combining Balance Sheet

### Nonmajor Governmental Funds

September 30, 2012

(amounts expressed in thousands)

#### Special Revenue

	Road	Sewer	Downtown Mail	E-911
<b>ASSETS:</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents .....	\$ 3	\$ 32,368	\$ 34	\$ 261
Investments .....	-	-	-	-
Receivables (net of allowances)				
Real property taxes, interest,				
penalties and liens .....	-	-	12	-
Other .....	-	6	-	544
Due from other funds .....	-	7,167	-	-
Due from other governments .....	5,813	76	-	14
Restricted cash .....	-	-	-	1,366
<b>Total assets .....</b>	<b>\$ 5,816</b>	<b>\$ 39,617</b>	<b>\$ 46</b>	<b>\$ 2,185</b>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>				
Accounts payable .....	\$ 217	\$ 133	\$ -	\$ 355
Accrued liabilities .....	1,126	1,694	9	426
Due to other funds .....	2,487	70	8	-
Due to other governments .....	-	-	-	-
Retained percentages payable .....	-	4	-	-
Unearned revenue .....	-	-	-	-
<b>Total liabilities .....</b>	<b>3,830</b>	<b>1,901</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>781</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>				
Restricted for:				
E-911 system costs .....	-	-	-	1,366
Debt service .....	-	-	-	-
Capital expenditures .....	-	-	-	-
Assigned:				
Other purposes .....	1,986	37,716	29	38
<b>Total fund balances .....</b>	<b>1,986</b>	<b>37,716</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>1,404</b>
<b>Total liabilities and fund balances .....</b>	<b>\$ 5,816</b>	<b>\$ 39,617</b>	<b>\$ 46</b>	<b>\$ 2,185</b>

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## Combining Balance Sheet

### Nonmajor Governmental Funds

September 30, 2012

(amounts expressed in thousands)

#### Special Revenue

	Emergency Response	Grants	Community Development	Total
<b>ASSETS:</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents .....	\$ 1,197	\$ -	\$ 797	\$ 34,660
Investments .....	-	-	-	-
Receivables (net of allowances)				
Real property taxes, interest, penalties and liens .....	-	-	-	12
Other .....	-	1,191	28,717	30,458
Due from other funds .....	-	-	-	7,167
Due from other governments .....	217	12,167	339	18,626
Restricted cash .....	-	-	-	1,366
<b>Total assets .....</b>	<b>\$ 1,414</b>	<b>\$ 13,358</b>	<b>\$ 29,853</b>	<b>\$ 92,289</b>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>				
Accounts payable .....	\$ -	\$ 1,143	\$ 484	\$ 2,332
Accrued liabilities .....	-	1,051	76	4,382
Due to other funds .....	-	10,029	-	12,594
Due to other governments .....	-	-	-	-
Retained percentages payable .....	-	49	-	53
Unearned revenue .....	-	1,086	29,293	30,379
<b>Total liabilities .....</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13,358</b>	<b>29,853</b>	<b>49,740</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>				
Restricted for:				
E-911 system costs .....	-	-	-	1,366
Debt service .....	-	-	-	-
Capital expenditures .....	-	-	-	-
Assigned:				
Other purposes .....	1,414	-	-	41,183
<b>Total fund balances .....</b>	<b>1,414</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>42,549</b>
<b>Total liabilities and fund balances .....</b>	<b>\$ 1,414</b>	<b>\$ 13,358</b>	<b>\$ 29,853</b>	<b>\$ 92,289</b>

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## Combining Balance Sheet

### Nonmajor Governmental Funds

September 30, 2012

(amounts expressed in thousands)

#### Capital Projects

	Debt Service	General Government Buildings, Equipment and Improvements	Highways, Roads, Bridges and Equipment	Sewers, Facilities Equipment and Improvements	Tobacco Proceeds
<b>ASSETS:</b>					
Cash and cash equivalents .....	\$ 947	\$ 725	\$ -	\$ 3,735	\$ -
Investments .....	-	-	-	-	200
Receivables (net of allowances)					
Real property taxes, interest, penalties and liens .....	-	-	-	-	-
Other .....	-	-	-	-	-
Due from other funds .....	18,882	-	693	-	-
Due from other governments .....	438	460	4,304	17	-
Restricted cash .....	-	50,321	22,457	6,883	16
<b>Total assets .....</b>	<b>\$ 20,267</b>	<b>\$ 51,506</b>	<b>\$ 27,454</b>	<b>\$ 10,635</b>	<b>\$ 216</b>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>					
Accounts payable .....	\$ -	\$ 153	\$ 2,376	\$ 40	\$ -
Accrued liabilities .....	48	129	426	167	-
Due to other funds .....	10,411	708	-	2,924	-
Due to other governments .....	-	-	1	-	-
Retained percentages payable .....	-	195	-	621	-
Unearned revenue .....	-	-	140	-	-
<b>Total liabilities .....</b>	<b>10,459</b>	<b>1,185</b>	<b>2,943</b>	<b>3,752</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>					
Restricted for:					
E-911 system costs .....	-	-	-	-	-
Debt service .....	9,808	-	-	-	-
Capital expenditures .....	-	50,321	24,511	6,883	216
Assigned:					
Other purposes .....	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total fund balances .....</b>	<b>9,808</b>	<b>50,321</b>	<b>24,511</b>	<b>6,883</b>	<b>216</b>
<b>Total liabilities and fund balances .....</b>	<b>\$ 20,267</b>	<b>\$ 51,506</b>	<b>\$ 27,454</b>	<b>\$ 10,635</b>	<b>\$ 216</b>

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## Combining Balance Sheet

### Nonmajor Governmental Funds

September 30, 2012

(amounts expressed in thousands)

#### Capital Projects

	Special Capital Projects	ECMCC Capital Projects	Total	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
<b>ASSETS:</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents .....	\$ 662	\$ 32	\$ 5,154	\$ 40,761
Investments .....	-	-	200	200
Receivables (net of allowances)				
Real property taxes, interest, penalties and liens .....	-	-	-	12
Other .....	-	-	-	30,458
Due from other funds .....	-	-	693	26,742
Due from other governments .....	-	-	4,781	23,845
Restricted cash .....	978	3,225	83,880	85,246
<b>Total assets .....</b>	<b>\$ 1,640</b>	<b>\$ 3,257</b>	<b>\$ 94,708</b>	<b>\$ 207,264</b>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>				
Accounts payable .....	\$ -	\$ 8	\$ 2,577	\$ 4,909
Accrued liabilities .....	1	3	726	5,156
Due to other funds .....	-	2	3,634	26,639
Due to other governments .....	-	-	1	1
Retained percentages payable .....	661	19	1,496	1,549
Unearned revenue .....	-	-	140	30,519
<b>Total liabilities .....</b>	<b>662</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>8,574</b>	<b>68,773</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>				
Restricted for:				
E-911 system costs .....	-	-	-	1,366
Debt service .....	-	-	-	9,808
Capital expenditures .....	978	3,225	86,134	86,134
Assigned:				
Other purposes .....	-	-	-	41,183
<b>Total fund balances .....</b>	<b>978</b>	<b>3,225</b>	<b>86,134</b>	<b>138,491</b>
<b>Total liabilities and fund balances .....</b>	<b>\$ 1,640</b>	<b>\$ 3,257</b>	<b>\$ 94,708</b>	<b>\$ 207,264</b>

*(Concluded)*

## Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

Nonmajor Governmental Funds  
For the nine months ended September 30, 2012  
(amounts expressed in thousands)

### Special Revenue

	Road	Sewer	Downtown Mall	E-911
<b>REVENUES:</b>				
Real property taxes and tax items .....	\$ -	\$ 36,023	\$ 1,267	\$ -
Sales and use taxes .....	-	-	-	2,937
Transfer taxes .....	6,610	-	-	-
Intergovernmental .....	5,153	-	-	33
Departmental .....	113	8,203	-	-
Interest .....	-	81	-	-
Miscellaneous .....	5	698	-	-
<b>Total revenues .....</b>	<b>11,881</b>	<b>45,003</b>	<b>1,267</b>	<b>2,970</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>				
Current:				
General government support .....	-	-	1,238	-
Public safety .....	-	-	-	4,360
Health .....	-	-	-	821
Transportation .....	16,150	-	-	-
Economic assistance and opportunity .....	-	-	-	-
Education .....	-	-	-	-
Home and community service .....	-	29,451	-	-
Capital outlay .....	-	-	-	-
Debt service:				
Principal retirement .....	-	-	-	-
Interest and fiscal charges .....	-	-	-	-
<b>Total expenditures .....</b>	<b>16,150</b>	<b>29,451</b>	<b>1,238</b>	<b>5,181</b>
<b>(Deficiency) excess of revenues over expenditures .....</b>	<b>(4,269)</b>	<b>15,552</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>(2,211)</b>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) :</b>				
Issuance of general obligation debt .....	-	-	-	-
Premium on bond issuance .....	-	-	-	-
Transfers in .....	8,509	-	-	1,615
Transfers out .....	(4,240)	(4,594)	-	-
<b>Total other financing sources (uses) .....</b>	<b>4,269</b>	<b>(4,594)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,615</b>
<b>Net change in fund balances .....</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10,958</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>(596)</b>
<b>Fund balances at beginning of year .....</b>	<b>1,988</b>	<b>26,758</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,000</b>
<b>Fund balances at end of nine months .....</b>	<b>\$ 1,988</b>	<b>\$ 37,716</b>	<b>\$ 29</b>	<b>\$ 1,404</b>

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## Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

### Nonmajor Governmental Funds

For the nine months ended September 30, 2012

(amounts expressed in thousands)

### Special Revenue

	Emergency Response	Grants	Community Development	Total
<b>REVENUES:</b>				
Real property taxes and tax items .....	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 37,290
Sales and use taxes .....	-	-	-	2,937
Transfer taxes .....	-	-	-	6,610
Intergovernmental .....	-	25,279	2,430	32,895
Departmental .....	-	1,539	919	10,774
Interest .....	-	-	-	81
Miscellaneous .....	-	600	-	1,301
<b>Total revenues .....</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>27,418</b>	<b>3,349</b>	<b>91,888</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>				
<b>Current:</b>				
General government support .....	-	4,825	-	6,063
Public safety .....	-	8,466	-	12,826
Health .....	-	4,542	-	5,363
Transportation .....	-	122	-	16,272
Economic assistance and opportunity .....	-	11,423	130	11,553
Education .....	-	64	-	64
Home and community service .....	-	317	3,219	32,987
<b>Capital outlay .....</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Debt service:</b>				
Principal retirement .....	-	-	-	-
Interest and fiscal charges .....	-	-	-	-
<b>Total expenditures .....</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>29,759</b>	<b>3,349</b>	<b>85,128</b>
<b>(Deficiency) excess of revenues over expenditures .....</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(2,341)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,760</b>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) :</b>				
Issuance of general obligation debt .....	-	-	-	-
Premium on bond issuance .....	-	-	-	-
Transfers in .....	-	2,341	-	12,465
Transfers out .....	-	-	-	(8,834)
<b>Total other financing sources (uses) .....</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,341</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,631</b>
<b>Net change in fund balances .....</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10,391</b>
<b>Fund balances at beginning of year .....</b>	<b>1,414</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>32,158</b>
<b>Fund balances at end of nine months .....</b>	<b>\$ 1,414</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 42,549</b>

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## Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

### Nonmajor Governmental Funds

For the nine months ended September 30, 2012

(amounts expressed in thousands)

	<b>Capital Projects</b>				
	<b>Debt Service</b>	<b>General Government Buildings, Equipment and Improvements</b>	<b>Highways, Roads, Bridges and Equipment</b>	<b>Sewers, Facilities Equipment and Improvements</b>	<b>Tobacco Proceeds</b>
<b>REVENUES:</b>					
Real property taxes and tax items	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Sales and use taxes	-	-	-	-	-
Transfer taxes	-	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	878	567	8,713	-	-
Departmental	-	282	-	12	-
Interest	3,434	14	-	20	-
Miscellaneous	1,167	-	-	-	-
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>5,499</b>	<b>863</b>	<b>8,713</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>					
Current:					
General government support	-	-	-	-	-
Public safety	-	-	-	-	-
Health	-	-	-	-	-
Transportation	-	-	-	-	-
Economic assistance and opportunity	-	-	-	-	-
Education	-	-	-	-	-
Home and community service	-	-	-	-	-
Capital outlay	-	7,674	21,324	3,569	-
Debt service:					
Principal retirement	36,637	-	-	-	-
Interest and fiscal charges	14,006	-	-	-	-
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>50,643</b>	<b>7,674</b>	<b>21,324</b>	<b>3,569</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>(Deficiency) excess of revenues over expenditures</b>	<b>(45,144)</b>	<b>(6,811)</b>	<b>(12,611)</b>	<b>(3,537)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) :</b>					
Issuance of general obligation debt	-	10,618	8,783	3,150	-
Premium on bond issuance	4	1,642	1,358	-	-
Transfers in	49,315	3	4,240	1,100	-
Transfers out	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total other financing sources (uses)</b>	<b>49,319</b>	<b>12,263</b>	<b>14,381</b>	<b>4,250</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net change in fund balances</b>	<b>4,175</b>	<b>5,452</b>	<b>1,770</b>	<b>713</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Fund balances at beginning of year</b>	<b>5,633</b>	<b>44,869</b>	<b>22,741</b>	<b>6,170</b>	<b>216</b>
<b>Fund balances at end of nine months</b>	<b>\$ 9,808</b>	<b>\$ 50,321</b>	<b>\$ 24,511</b>	<b>\$ 6,883</b>	<b>\$ 216</b>

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## Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

### Nonmajor Governmental Funds

For the nine months ended September 30, 2012

(amounts expressed in thousands)

### Capital Projects

	Special Capital Projects	ECMCC Capital Projects	Total	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
<b>REVENUES:</b>				
Real property taxes and tax items .....	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 37,290
Sales and use taxes .....	-	-	-	2,937
Transfer taxes .....	-	-	-	6,610
Intergovernmental .....	-	-	9,280	43,053
Departmental .....	-	-	294	11,068
Interest .....	-	-	34	3,549
Miscellaneous .....	-	-	-	2,488
<b>Total revenues .....</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,608</b>	<b>106,995</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>				
Current:				
General government support .....	-	-	-	6,063
Public safety .....	-	-	-	12,826
Health .....	-	-	-	5,363
Transportation .....	-	-	-	16,272
Economic assistance and opportunity .....	-	-	-	11,553
Education .....	-	-	-	64
Home and community service .....	-	-	-	32,987
Capital outlay .....	9,122	8	41,697	41,697
Debt service:				
Principal retirement .....	-	-	-	36,637
Interest and fiscal charges .....	-	-	-	14,006
<b>Total expenditures .....</b>	<b>9,122</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>41,697</b>	<b>177,468</b>
<b>(Deficiency) excess of revenues over expenditures .....</b>	<b>(9,122)</b>	<b>(8)</b>	<b>(32,089)</b>	<b>(70,473)</b>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) :</b>				
Issuance of general obligation debt .....	1,559	-	24,110	24,110
Premium on bond issuance .....	241	-	3,241	3,245
Transfers in .....	-	-	5,343	67,123
Transfers out .....	(1,800)	-	(1,800)	(10,634)
<b>Total other financing sources (uses) .....</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>30,894</b>	<b>83,844</b>
<b>Net change in fund balances .....</b>	<b>(9,122)</b>	<b>(8)</b>	<b>(1,195)</b>	<b>13,371</b>
<b>Fund balances at beginning of year .....</b>	<b>10,100</b>	<b>3,233</b>	<b>87,329</b>	<b>125,120</b>
<b>Fund balances at end of nine months .....</b>	<b>\$ 978</b>	<b>\$ 3,225</b>	<b>\$ 86,134</b>	<b>\$ 138,491</b>

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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, 2012

(amounts expressed in thousands)

	<b>Library</b>
<b>ASSETS:</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents .....	\$ 14,085
Receivables (net of allowances)	
Other .....	65
Due from primary government .....	1,578
Due from other governments .....	940
<b>Total assets .....</b>	<b>\$ 16,668</b>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>	
Accounts payable .....	\$ 382
Accrued liabilities .....	1,427
Unearned revenue .....	1,143
<b>Total liabilities .....</b>	<b>2,952</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>	
Committed .....	4,119
Assigned .....	448
Unassigned .....	9,147
<b>Total fund balances .....</b>	<b>13,714</b>
<b>Total liabilities and fund balances .....</b>	<b>\$ 16,668</b>



## Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

### Library Component Unit

For the nine months ended September 30, 2012

(amounts expressed in thousands)

	<u>Library</u>	
<b>REVENUES:</b>		
Real property taxes and tax items .....	\$	19,872
Intergovernmental .....		3,078
Departmental .....		310
Interest .....		11
Miscellaneous .....		1,817
<b>Total revenues .....</b>		<b><u>25,088</u></b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>		
Current:		
Culture and recreation .....		18,903
<b>Total expenditures .....</b>		<b><u>18,903</u></b>
<b>Net change in fund balances .....</b>		<b>6,185</b>
<b>Fund balance at beginning of year .....</b>		<b><u>7,529</u></b>
<b>Fund balances at end of nine months .....</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b><u>13,714</u></b>

# INVESTMENT REPORT

**Investment Report**

January 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012

In accordance with the Comptroller's Investment Guidelines, the Investment Report for the first nine months of 2012 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 1,085 investments were made during the first nine months, resulting in \$657,318 in total interest earnings for all funds. The weighted average yield for the first nine months was .33%. For comparison, during the first nine months of 2011, 1,179 investments were effectuated which generated \$949,383 in total interest earnings for all funds at an average weighted yield of .50%.

**SUMMARY OF INVESTMENTS PURCHASED**

	Number of Investments Jan - Sept		Average Investment (in millions) Jan - Sept		Average Length of Investment (days) Jan - Sept	
	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011
JP Morgan Chase, N.A.	1,065	1,147	\$10.0	\$10.8	6	4
Citizens Bank	N/A	7	N/A	.4	N/A	32
Bank of America	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
HSBC Bank USA, N.A.	9	19	1.7	30.0	12	21
Key Bank, N.A.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Manufacturers & Traders	11	6	1.0	9.4	63	30
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1,085</b>	<b>1,179</b>				

**Investment Report**

January 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012

**SUMMARY OF INTEREST EARNINGS BY FUND**

	General Fund	Trust Fund	Capital Fund	Sewer Fund	Total
1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	\$117,016	\$17,983	\$88,223	\$17,548	\$240,770
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter	\$138,435	\$20,296	\$71,712	\$36,917	\$267,360
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	\$45,091	\$9,641	\$67,829	\$26,627	\$149,188
<b>Year to date</b>	<b>\$300,542</b>	<b>\$47,920</b>	<b>\$227,764</b>	<b>\$81,092</b>	<b>\$657,318</b>

Please note the 2012 Adopted Budget General Fund interest earnings is \$700,000. The actual year to date earnings for the General Fund as of September 30, 2012 is \$300,542. For comparison, as of September 30, 2011, the General Fund interest earnings were \$388,431.

**SUMMARY OF WEIGHTED AVERAGE YIELD (ALL FUNDS)**

Month	Weighted Average Yield	
	2012	2011
January	.41%	.55%
February	.39%	.54%
March	.38%	.55%
April	.33%	.53%
May	.29%	.44%
June	.27%	.44%
July	.33%	.49%
August	.30%	.49%
September	.30%	.45%
Weighted Average Jan. – Sept.	.33%	.50%

## **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, 2012.

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  
2012

Description	Actual January	Actual February	Actual March	Actual April	Actual May
Opening Balance .....	\$ 46,843,771				
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>					
DSS .....	\$ 17,353,532	\$ 7,988,254	\$ 41,877,343	\$ 1,892,339	\$ 1,576,016
Sales Tax .....	53,135,241	57,002,694	48,542,752	61,053,182	52,676,105
Real Property Tax .....	4,385,875	43,730,394	206,427,594	26,759,322	6,988,335
Other .....	36,239,734	18,314,049	36,165,420	(15,285,740)	3,375,728
RAN Proceeds .....	-	-	-	-	-
EFSCA Set Aside Release .....	1,010,093	-	1,074,082	661,200	13,370,257
<b>Total Receipts .....</b>	<b>158,768,246</b>	<b>127,035,391</b>	<b>334,087,191</b>	<b>75,080,303</b>	<b>77,986,441</b>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS:</b>					
DSS .....	34,200,759	29,988,328	31,258,989	30,452,459	34,857,365
Payroll .....	30,037,283	24,181,661	34,049,488	21,557,231	24,523,351
Vendor .....	34,136,910	56,989,542	101,669,051	54,829,846	30,779,079
Debt Service .....	2,956,710	25,977	5,160,263	6,230,130	955,919
RAN Set Asides Oct '11 .....	-	18,500,000	14,800,000	25,700,000	16,000,000
ECFSA Bond Set Asides .....	2,351,553	2,351,553	2,351,545	2,351,445	2,314,243
ECFSA Debt Service .....	1,010,093	-	1,074,081	661,200	13,370,256
<b>Total Disbursements .....</b>	<b>104,693,308</b>	<b>132,037,061</b>	<b>190,363,415</b>	<b>141,782,111</b>	<b>122,800,213</b>
<b>Monthly Cash Flow .....</b>	<b>\$ 54,074,938</b>	<b>\$ (5,001,670)</b>	<b>\$ 143,723,776</b>	<b>\$ (66,701,808)</b>	<b>\$ (44,813,772)</b>
<b>Cumulative Cash Flow .....</b>	<b>\$ 54,074,938</b>	<b>\$ 49,073,268</b>	<b>\$ 192,797,044</b>	<b>\$ 126,095,236</b>	<b>\$ 81,281,464</b>

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## Cash Flow Statement

January-September Actual, October-December Projected  
2012

Description	Actual June	Actual July	Actual August	Actual September	Projected October
<b>Opening Balance</b> .....					
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>					
DSS .....	\$ 26,785,782	\$ 13,833,124	\$ 40,593,458	\$ 14,479,163	\$ 23,732,045
Sales Tax .....	70,229,380	50,007,370	53,850,161	54,300,126	69,124,860
Real Property Tax .....	4,405,492	3,698,936	3,922,013	3,193,839	2,585,033
Other .....	23,243,429	19,208,999	17,831,062	27,949,124	16,618,592
RAN Proceeds .....	-	-	-	-	75,000,000
EFSCA Set Aside Release .....	588,458	4,985,093	-	946,581	656,160
<b>Total Receipts</b> .....	<b>125,252,541</b>	<b>91,733,522</b>	<b>116,296,694</b>	<b>100,868,833</b>	<b>187,716,690</b>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS:</b>					
DSS .....	33,886,352	34,810,026	30,485,337	42,512,171	55,482,394
Payroll .....	25,078,688	25,869,900	35,130,742	26,105,321	25,533,600
Vendor .....	80,258,394	29,703,975	30,411,876	74,275,031	40,846,434
Debt Service .....	5,795,495	610,936	1,250,968	5,011,469	714,926
RAN Set Asides Oct '11 .....	13,000,000	-	-	-	-
ECFSA Bond Set Asides .....	2,574,337	2,574,337	2,574,337	2,574,337	2,574,337
ECFSA Debt Service .....	588,458	4,985,093	-	946,581	656,160
<b>Total Disbursements</b> .....	<b>161,181,724</b>	<b>98,554,267</b>	<b>99,853,260</b>	<b>151,424,910</b>	<b>125,607,850</b>
<b>Monthly Cash Flow</b> .....	<b>\$ (35,929,183)</b>	<b>\$ (6,820,745)</b>	<b>\$ 16,443,434</b>	<b>\$ (50,556,077)</b>	<b>\$ 62,108,840</b>
<b>Cumulative Cash Flow</b> .....	<b>\$ 45,352,281</b>	<b>\$ 38,531,536</b>	<b>\$ 54,974,970</b>	<b>\$ 4,418,893</b>	<b>\$ 66,527,733</b>

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## Cash Flow Statement

January-September Actual, October-December Projected  
2012

Description	Projected November	Projected December	TOTAL
Opening Balance .....			
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>			
DSS .....	\$ 14,123,335	\$ 42,805,967	\$ 247,040,358
Sales Tax .....	51,800,460	74,278,702	696,001,033
Real Property Tax .....	1,116,783	3,882,356	311,095,972
Other .....	21,445,643	39,988,200	245,194,239
RAN Proceeds .....	-	-	75,000,000
EFSCA Set Aside Release .....	3,229,657	1,290,250	27,811,831
<b>Total Receipts .....</b>	<b>91,715,878</b>	<b>162,245,474</b>	<b>1,602,143,433</b>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS:</b>			
DSS .....	52,366,923	35,585,975	445,887,078
Payroll .....	28,084,611	31,482,022	331,633,896
Vendor .....	21,617,774	94,563,308	649,881,020
Debt Service .....	2,084,965	11,504,563	42,302,321
RAN Set Asides Oct '11 .....	-	-	88,000,000
ECFSA Bond Set Asides .....	2,592,858	2,592,858	29,777,740
ECFSA Debt Service .....	3,229,657	1,290,250	27,811,829
<b>Total Disbursements .....</b>	<b>109,976,788</b>	<b>177,018,976</b>	<b>1,615,293,884</b>
<b>Monthly Cash Flow .....</b>	<b>\$ (18,260,911)</b>	<b>\$ (14,773,502)</b>	<b>\$ (13,150,451)</b>
<b>Cumulative Cash Flow .....</b>	<b>\$ 48,266,822</b>	<b>\$ 33,493,320</b>	

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# PROPERTY AND SALES TAX SUMMARY

**Property Tax Collections**

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012 and 2011

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
Gross Levy .....	\$ 655,894,171	\$ 648,241,682
Less: Amount Retained by Towns .....	<u>(344,481,197)</u>	<u>(343,478,508)</u>
Net Collectible by County .....	311,412,974	304,763,176
Less: January - September Collections .....	<u>(286,717,259)</u>	<u>(281,478,985)</u>
Net Outstanding at September 30 .....	<u>\$ 24,695,715</u>	<u>\$ 23,284,191</u>
Percentage Collected through September 30 ...	<u>82.1%</u>	<u>82.4%</u>

*Source: Erie County Govern Tax Collection System.*

**Sales Tax Revenue**

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012 and 2011

	<b>2012 Adopted Budget (1)</b>	<b>September 2012 Y-T-D Revenue (2)</b>	<b>% of Budget Realized</b>	<b>2011 Adopted Budget</b>	<b>September 2011 Y-T-D Revenue</b>	<b>% of Budget Realized</b>
Sales And Use Tax .....	\$ 155,253,226	\$ 114,039,085	73.5%	\$ 146,057,048	\$ 110,856,390	75.9%
1% Sales Tax - Erie County Purposes ...	146,556,918	107,668,216	73.5%	138,543,491	104,655,043	75.5%
0.25% Sales Tax .....	36,412,330	26,860,776	73.8%	34,053,618	26,125,494	76.7%
0.50% Sales Tax .....	72,824,859	53,721,553	73.8%	68,106,288	52,250,989	76.7%
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>\$ 411,047,133</b>	<b>\$ 302,289,630</b>	<b>73.5%</b>	<b>\$ 386,760,445</b>	<b>\$ 293,887,916</b>	<b>76.0%</b>

Source: Erie County Comptroller's Office.

**Notes:**

(1) Through September 30, 2012 year to date, \$208,966,327.62 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 2012.

# DEBT SCHEDULES

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

As of September 30, 2012

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Ending</b>	<b>Payments</b>	<b>Payments</b>	<b>Debt Service</b>
<b>December 31</b>			
2012 .....	\$ 11,811,100.00	\$ 7,093,352.85	\$ 18,904,452.85 (1)
2013 .....	44,179,123.50	20,795,652.48	64,974,775.98
2014 .....	46,174,508.01	18,693,705.12	64,868,211.13
2015 .....	47,093,125.01	16,747,352.90	63,840,477.91
2016 .....	45,966,938.01	14,719,691.69	60,686,629.70
2017 .....	47,329,180.01	12,688,811.52	60,017,991.53
2018 .....	42,041,423.01	10,476,317.16	52,517,740.17
2019 .....	38,142,568.01	8,658,524.01	44,801,090.02
2020 .....	36,729,809.01	6,989,839.29	43,719,648.30
2021 .....	23,537,052.01	5,388,710.18	28,925,762.19
2022 .....	24,564,295.01	4,240,140.73	28,804,435.74
2023 .....	25,691,538.01	3,020,016.22	28,711,554.23
2024 .....	7,768,780.92	2,169,022.30	9,937,803.22
2025 .....	7,616,024.00	1,803,042.71	9,419,066.71
2026 .....	5,388,267.00	1,479,213.27	6,867,480.27
2027 .....	3,340,510.00	1,286,871.98	4,627,381.98
2028 .....	3,422,752.00	1,142,729.15	4,565,481.15
2029 .....	3,509,995.00	994,182.44	4,504,177.44
2030 .....	2,642,238.00	865,981.98	3,508,199.98
2031 .....	2,724,481.00	759,124.62	3,483,605.62
2032 .....	2,389,336.00	650,978.21	3,040,314.21
2033 .....	2,332,839.00	547,058.89	2,879,897.89
2034 .....	2,227,839.00	443,638.97	2,671,477.97
2035 .....	2,142,839.00	346,712.35	2,489,551.35
2036 .....	1,387,839.00	248,898.35	1,636,737.35
2037 .....	927,839.00	185,794.07	1,113,633.07
2038 .....	947,839.00	143,373.26	1,091,212.26
2039 .....	977,839.00	99,848.07	1,077,687.07
2040 .....	707,839.00	55,981.31	763,820.31
2041 .....	710,000.00	23,510.58	733,510.58
2042 .....	165,000.00	3,521.93	168,521.93
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 482,580,751.52</b>	<b>\$ 142,761,578.57</b>	<b>\$ 625,352,330.09</b>

Source: Erie County Comptroller's Office

Notes:

(1) Amount is net of debt service payments of \$50,642,811.29 made from January 1, 2012 to September 30, 2012.

**Direct General Obligation Indebtedness Outstanding**  
**As of September 30, 2012**

	<u>Amount</u>		<u>Totals</u>
<b>Bonds:</b>			
Buildings and other Improvements .....	\$ 128,570,143.53		
Highway Improvements .....	110,499,760.92		
Court House Facilities .....	55,231,282.04		
Sewer District Facilities .....	79,390,795.00		
Hospital .....	4,228,864.94	(1)	
First Niagara Center .....	15,510,000.00		
Computer System .....	15,416,520.56		
Ralph Wilson Stadium .....	22,290,551.39		
Community College .....	27,224,658.91		
Convention Center .....	9,459,484.03		
Buffalo Zoo .....	2,598,313.00		
Prison Facilities .....	12,104,262.14		
Nursing Home .....	66,135.06	(1)	
<b>Total Long-Term Debt .....</b>			<b>\$ 482,590,751.52 <sup>(2)</sup></b>
<b>Exclusions :</b>			
Sewer District Debt .....	79,390,795.00		
Budgeted Appropriations .....	10,580,000.34		
<b>Total Deductions .....</b>			<b>89,970,795.34</b>
<b>Net Direct Debt .....</b>			<b>\$ 392,619,956.18</b>

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 \$94,900,000 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 1993 to 2012 by the County.

## Calculation of Constitutional Debt Limit

As of September 30, 2012

For Fiscal Year Ended December 31	Equalized Full Valuation of Taxable Real Property
2007 .....	\$ 40,477,680,885.00
2008 .....	42,445,603,001.00
2009 .....	44,382,615,337.00
2010 .....	46,120,909,981.00
2011 .....	46,759,758,183.00
<b>Total five year full valuation .....</b>	<b>\$ 220,186,567,397.00</b>
<b>5 Year Average full valuation .....</b>	<b>\$ 44,037,313,479.40</b>
<b>Debt limit - 7% of average full valuation ...</b>	<b>\$ 3,082,611,943.56</b>

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

**Calculation of Total Net Indebtedness**

As of September 30, 2012

<b>Five year average full valuation ( 2007-2011) .....</b>		<b>\$ 44,037,313,478.00</b>
<b>Debt Limit - 7% of average full valuation .....</b>		<b>\$ 3,082,611,843.53</b>
<b>Outstanding Indebtedness:</b>		
Bonds - General .....	\$ 403,199,856.52	
Bonds - Sewer .....	79,390,795.00	
Bond Guaranty - ECMCC (1) .....	94,900,000.00	
<b>Total Indebtedness .....</b>	<b>577,490,751.52</b>	
<b>Less Exclusions:</b>		
Sewer Exclusion .....	79,390,795.00	
Budgeted Appropriations .....	10,580,000.34	
<b>Total Exclusions .....</b>	<b>89,970,795.34</b>	
<b>Total Net Indebtedness .....</b>		<b>487,519,956.18</b>
<b>Net Debt Contracting Margin .....</b>		<b>\$ 2,595,091,987.35</b>
<b>Percentage of Debt Contracting Power Exhausted .....</b>		<b>15.92%</b>

**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*



**MISCELLANEOUS FINANCIAL DATA**

**Property Tax Collection History**

Last Ten Fiscal Years

Fiscal Year	County	All Other	Total Property	Collected within the	
	Property Taxes	Property Taxes	Taxes Levied	Fiscal Year of the Levy	
	Levied (1)	Levied (2)	for the	Amount	Percentage
			Fiscal Year		of Levy
2002 .....	\$ 152,529,551	\$ 278,036,112	\$ 430,565,663	\$ 416,506,625	96.73%
2003 .....	152,529,551	294,505,821	447,035,372	446,461,743	99.87%
2004 .....	152,529,551	311,903,684	464,433,235	463,669,059	99.84%
2005 .....	157,641,299	335,876,407	493,517,706	492,180,009	99.73%
2006 .....	188,094,445	352,486,078	540,580,523	528,350,674	97.74%
2007 .....	200,031,205	369,188,266	569,219,471	555,858,355	97.65%
2008 .....	211,837,783	378,978,530	590,816,323	575,132,293	97.35%
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%

**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)

1995 - 2012

Year	Amount	Type	Issue Date	Maturity Date
1995	\$ 80,000,000	RAN (2)	09/21/95	09/20/96
1996	40,000,000	RAN	04/18/96	04/17/97
1996	40,000,000	RAN	11/20/96	11/19/97
1997	40,000,000	RAN	06/26/97	06/25/98
1997	40,000,000	RAN	10/30/97	10/29/98
1998	60,000,000	RAN	10/14/98	10/13/99
1999	-	N/A	N/A	N/A
2000	-	N/A	N/A	N/A
2001	-	N/A	N/A	N/A
2002	43,000,000	RAN	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	06/30/13

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**

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Amount (2)</u>
2002 .....	256,295,578
2003 .....	327,032,148
2004 .....	384,124,771
2005 .....	448,656,115
2006 .....	460,910,908
2007 .....	423,582,245
2008 .....	379,245,466
2009 .....	336,954,031
2010 .....	448,722,294 (3)
2011 .....	416,691,804 (3)

**Source:**

*Erie County Basic Financial Statements – 2002-2011 (Audited)*

**Notes:**

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

**(2) Excludes ECMCC bond guaranty of \$101,375,000 for 2004-2008, \$99,305,000 for 2009, \$97,150,000 for 2010 and \$94,900,000 for 2011.**

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

**Valuations, Tax Levies and Rates**  
**Last Five Fiscal Years**

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Assessed Valuation . . . . . \$	35,707,718,703	\$ 35,467,308,165	\$ 34,851,607,714	\$ 33,402,435,778	\$ 32,121,849,671
Equalized Full Valuation . . . .	47,235,307,049	46,738,119,997	46,120,909,987	44,382,615,356	42,821,245,989
Levied for County Purposes (1) . . . . .	237,692,831	235,182,208	232,413,974	223,306,326	211,837,793
Rates for \$1,000 of Equalized Full Valuation . . . . .	\$5.03	\$5.03	\$5.03	\$5.03	\$4.94

**Source:**  
*Division of Real Property Tax Annual Reports*

**Note:**  
*(1) Includes County and Library property taxes.*

## Computation of Constitutional Taxing Power for 2012

<u>Tax Year</u>	<u>Full Valuation</u>
2008 .....	\$ 42,445,603,001
2009 .....	44,382,615,337
2010 .....	46,120,909,981
2011 .....	46,738,119,900
2012 .....	47,237,059,981
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$ 226,924,308,200</b>
Five-Year Average Full Valuation .....	\$ 45,384,861,640
Tax Limit (1.5%) (1) .....	680,772,925
Total Exclusions .....	68,553,845
<b>Total Taxing Power</b> .....	<b>749,326,770</b>
<b>Total Levy for 2012 (2)</b> .....	<b>249,748,640</b>
Tax Margin (1) .....	<b>\$ 499,578,130</b>

*Source: Data excerpted from the County's Constitutional Tax Limit Report, which is 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 2012 total taxing power under this local law is \$522,402,461 leaving a tax margin of \$272,653,821.*

*(2) Includes County and Library property taxes, taxes for election expenses and Community College chargebacks.*