

**Agenda**  
**Tuscola County Board of Commissioners**  
**Committee of the Whole – Monday, September 26, 2016 – 8:00 A.M.**  
**HH Purdy Building - 125 W. Lincoln, Caro, MI**

**Finance**  
Committee Leaders-Commissioners Kirkpatrick and Bierlein

**Primary Finance**

1. 2017 County Budget Development (See A)
2. Personal Property Tax Reductions and Non-County Reimbursement (See B)
3. Medical Care Facility Purchase Agreement Extension (See C)
4. Wind Turbine Consumers Energy Project Update (See D)
5. Hazardous Mitigation Plan Update
6. Child Care Fund - State Payment Update
7. Child Care Fund Cost Allocation Plan Contract (See E)
8. Register of Deeds Service Contract (See F)
9. Cost Allocation Plan Certificate of Indirect Costs (See G)
10. Extending or Bidding County Audit (See H)
11. Janks Grant Information (See I)
12. Friend of the Court Cooperative Reimbursement Contract Amendment (See J)
13. Telephone System Update – 10:00 A.M.
14. Adult Probation Telephone Update – Fiber Opportunity

**On-Going Finance**

1. Jail Planning Committee – 10/13/16 at 10:00 A.M.
2. Road Commission Legacy Cost
3. Dispute Concerning Wind Turbine Assessing/Taxation
4. Adult Probation Telephones
5. Child Care Fund Delayed State Payments
6. 4-H and Courts
7. Financial Impact 17 Year Olds as Juvenile Change
8. CGI Video Production
9. Potential Health Department Bonding for Retirement System Costs
10. Audit Comment Regarding Bank Accounts

**Personnel**  
Committee Leader-Commissioner Trisch

**Primary Personnel**

1. Resolution Honoring Carey Baxter Service to Dispatch (See K)
2. Court Change in Position Title (See L)

#### On-Going Personnel

1. Equalization Staffing Update – Human Resource Director
2. Labor Negotiations Update
3. New Health Officer Employment Contract

#### **Building and Grounds** Committee Leader-Young

#### Primary Building and Grounds

1. Jail Window, Plumbing and Electrical Plan Update (See M)
2. Update Regarding Vanderbilt Park Grant (See N)
3. Court Request for Use of County Property at Court/Bush Street
4. Juvenile Program to Paint Window Wells of Courthouse

#### On-Going Building and Grounds

1. Vanderbilt Park Grant Application – Signage Update –Tree Trimming
2. Jail Plumbing/Window Update
3. Courthouse Security Enhancement

#### Other Business as Necessary

1. MAC “To Do List” and Legislative Priorities (See O)
2. Community Corrections Update (See P)

#### Public Comment Period

## 2017 Budget Development Calendar

02-Sep	Budget calendar and forms sent electronically to departments	Controller
Sept 2 - Sept 16	Budget forms completed by department officials including revenue-expenditure projections for 2016 and 2017	Departments
16-Sep	<b>Deadline to submit budget projections, requests</b> and forms to Controller	Departments
Sept 19 - Sept 23	Department revenue-expenditure requests and projections compiled by Controller for review by Commissioners	Controller
26-Sep	Budget requests submitted to Board for review	Controller
29-Sep	Controller prepares <b>first draft</b> 2017 budget	Controller
29-Sep	<b>Board reviews first draft 2017 budget</b> - makes changes and approves submittal to departments	Board
03-Oct	<b>First draft 2017 budget sent to departments</b> for review	Controller
Oct 4 - Oct 7	<b>Controller meet with departments as necessary</b> who have remaining budget issues/concerns	Controller/ Board
10-Oct	Controller provides budget status review at 10/12/16 Committee meeting	Controller/ Board
Oct 11 - Oct 12	<b>Controller prepares second draft 2017 budget</b>	Controller
13-Oct	<b>Board reviews second draft 2017 budget</b> - makes changes and approves submittal to departments	Board
14-Oct	Public hearing newspaper notice prepared/submitted	Controller
22-Oct	Public notice in newspaper	Controller
27-Oct	<b>Public hearing conducted</b>	Board
27-Oct	<b>Final 2017 budget revisions and adoption</b>	Board

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**From:** mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 20, 2016 2:44 PM  
**To:** rsundquist@clarkhill.com  
**Cc:** Walt Schlichting (Walt Schlichting); Angie Daniels; ctrisch@tuscolacounty.org; 'Bardwell Thom'; 'Bierlein Matthew'; 'Kirkpatrick Craig'; 'Thomas Young'  
**Subject:** Non State Reimbursement for Personal Property Tax Revenue Losses

Rick

Some information we wanted to share with you that might have an impact on the wind dispute. In 2014, voters approve a proposal to eliminate personal property taxes on business/industry. We were fortunate to have wind turbines carved out from elimination when the personal property tax changes were implemented. However, there were unintended financial consequences to Tuscola and other counties that experienced wind turbine development.

In order to reimburse counties and local units of government for the loss of personal property tax a state "use tax" was established. Essentially, the state set a base year of 2013 to determine the amount of personal property tax revenue respective taxing jurisdictions received. County and local units of government that experienced personal property tax reductions below the base year amount were to be reimbursed with the new "use tax". It is anticipated that almost all counties and local governments will receive some reimbursement. Unfortunately, counties and local units of government with wind turbines will not be reimbursed because wind turbines are taxed as personal property which results in the amount of personal property tax received exceeding the 2013 base year amounts and no state reimbursement.

Can an argument be made that wind turbines were carved out as a personal property tax and therefore should not count as personal property tax revenue that results in the 2013 base year amount being exceeded and no state reimbursement. In the first round of reductions Tuscola County government will not be reimbursed for about \$160,000. This non-reimbursement amount will increase substantially in future years. When all five wind turbine counties are included the forfeited state reimbursement is very significant.

If they were just classified in a different tax category than personal property tax we would receive state reimbursement. They are much different than what we think of as personal property tax which is machinery and equipment in industries.

Can this financial loss and inequity at least be used in some way in wind dispute arguments to the Tax Tribunal?

Mike

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## FIRST ADDENDUM TO OFFER TO PURCHASE REAL ESTATE

THIS FIRST ADDENDUM TO OFFER TO PURCHASE REAL ESTATE ("First Addendum") is entered into as of the \_\_\_\_ day of September, 2016, between TUSCOLA COUNTY by Tuscola County Board of Commissioners, whose address is 125 West Lincoln Street, Caro, Michigan 48723 (the "Seller") and TUSCOLA COUNTY MEDICAL CARE FACILITY by Tuscola County Department of Health and Human Services, a Michigan public body corporate, whose address is 1285 Cleaver Road, Caro, Michigan 48723 (the "Purchaser"). Seller and Purchaser are sometimes referred to herein as "Party" or collectively as the "Parties".

WHEREAS, Seller and Purchaser entered into an Offer to Purchase Real Estate dated August 1, 2016 (the "Agreement") in which Purchaser agreed to purchase from Seller and Seller agreed to sell to Purchaser approximately 25 acres of land located on Luder Road, Caro, Michigan (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to amend the Agreement on the terms and conditions contained in this First Addendum;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions contained herein, the Parties agree as follows:

1. All of the terms and conditions of the Agreement are incorporated herein and by this reference made a part hereof, and shall remain the same except to the extent modified by this First Addendum. In the event of a conflict between a provision of the Agreement, and a provision of this First Addendum, the provision in the First Addendum shall be controlling. All capitalized terms in this First Addendum shall have the meaning ascribed to those words in the Agreement unless the context in which the word is used clearly indicates to the contrary.

2. Paragraph 3 of the Agreement is amended to provide the closing shall be held on or before October 6, 2016, unless otherwise mutually agreed to in writing by both of the parties to the Agreement.

3. Counterparts. This First Addendum may be executed in any number of counterparts and each such counterpart hereof shall be deemed to be an original instrument, but all such counterparts together shall constitute but one agreement. The signature page from one or more counterparts may be detached and reattached to any other executed counterparts of this First Addendum.

4. Facsimile and Emailed Signatures. The Parties agree that facsimile or scanned electronic signatures shall be considered the same as an original signature for all purposes under this First Addendum.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this First Addendum as of the date set forth above.

SELLER:

TUSCOLA COUNTY  
By Tuscola County Board of Commissioners

Dated: September \_\_\_\_\_, 2016

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Thom Bardwell, Chairperson

PURCHASER:

TUSCOLA COUNTY MEDICAL CARE FACILITY  
By Tuscola County Department of Health  
and Human Services

Dated: September \_\_\_\_\_, 2016

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Douglas Hall, Board Member

**mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org**

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**From:** mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org  
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**To:** ctrisch@tuscolacounty.org, 'Bardwell Thom', 'Bierlein Matthew'; 'Kirkpatrick Craig'; 'Thomas Young'  
**Cc:** Walt Schlichting (Walt Schlichting); Angie Daniels  
**Subject:** FW: Consumers Energy scan  
**Attachments:** Cross Winds Energy Park scan.pdf

Commissioners

Dennis Marvin from Consumers Energy provided an update to me yesterday regarding their Phase II and III wind projects. Consumers Phase I project was 62 turbines which were constructed in Akron and Columbia Townships and completed in 2014. Although there are still certain requirements that have to be met, they plan on breaking ground in the spring of 2017 for Phase II (19 turbines) and Phase III (33 turbines) in 2019. Both of these projects would occur in Columbia Township. Phase II and III together will produce a maximum of 2,300 megawatts compared to 1,790 with Phase I.

I will be working with Walt and Angie to develop preliminary county revenue estimates. If completed in 2017 revenue from the Phase II (19 turbines) would become available for 2018

Dennis explained that they are moving forward with these projects because of increased customer interest in renewable energy, potential new renewable energy standard and to capitalize on the production tax credit

Mike

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Consumer's Phase 2 and 3  
Columbia Twp

NOTE: cost is total project cost including all collector and transmission wiring and substation.

Total project	Check calcs
250,000,000 cost	
120 MW	2,083,333.33 per MW
52 WT	4,807,692.31 per WT

Phase 2

90,000,000 cost	
44 MW	
19 WT	
12/31/2017 completion	
45,000,000 est yr 1 tv	Assumed multiplier
\$176,135 est yr 1 GF \$ (2018 GF budget)	x1
\$140,908 est yr 2 GF\$ (2019 GF budget)	x.8
\$132,101 est yr 3 GF\$ (2020 GF budget)	0.75

Phase 3

160,000,000 cost	
76 MW	
33 WT	
12/31/2019 completion	
80,000,000 est yr 1 tv	
\$313,128 est yr 1 GF \$ (2020 GF budget)	x1



September 19, 2016

Ms. Caryn Painter  
Controller/Administrator  
County of Tuscola  
440 N. State Street  
Caro, MI 48723

Dear Ms. Painter:

MAXIMUS Consulting Services, Inc. is pleased to submit the attached contract. You may return the contract by e-mail or USPS. Instructions for both are provided below.

**E-mail Return**

Scan the signed contract to [FSC-Operations@MAXIMUS.com](mailto:FSC-Operations@MAXIMUS.com). We will return a fully executed scan to the e-mail address from which it was received or an alternate provided by the County.

**USPS**

If you require an original hard copy of the fully executed contract sign and return via regular mail to:

MAXIMUS Consulting Services, Inc.  
Shared Services Center  
CONTRACTS  
808 Moorefield Park Drive, Suite 205  
Richmond, VA 23236

MAXIMUS will return the document to the address noted in the contract unless otherwise instructed. Please provide a contact name to receive the package.

We look forward to continuing our work with Tuscola County.

Sincerely,

Nelson H. Clugston  
Vice President  
MAXIMUS Consulting Services, INC

NHC/tnk

Attachment - Contract

## AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is entered into by and between MAXIMUS Consulting Services, Inc. ("Consultant"), and the Tuscola County, Michigan ("Client"). In consideration of mutual promises and covenants, the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

1. Scope of Services. Consultant shall perform the services detailed in Exhibit A, attached and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein (the "Services"), in a professional and workmanlike manner consistent with the typical standards of the industry.
2. Term. This Agreement shall commence on September 20, 2016 ("Effective Date") and shall remain in effect until December 31, 2017, or until completion of, and payment in full for, the Services specified in Exhibit A, whichever occurs first. The parties may mutually agree to extend this Agreement for two additional one year periods, pursuant to an amendment duly signed by both parties.
3. Compensation. Client shall pay Consultant a fee for services rendered as set forth in Exhibit B, attached and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.
4. Termination.
  - a. Termination for Cause. Upon material breach of the terms of this Agreement, the non-breaching party shall provide written notice to the breaching party specifying the nature of the default. The breaching party shall have a minimum of 30 days from the date of receipt to cure any such default prior to the effective date of termination.
  - b. Termination for Convenience. Either party may terminate this Agreement without cause upon 60 days' prior written notice to the other. In the event Client terminates this Agreement, Client shall reimburse Consultant for all reasonable costs incurred by Consultant due to such early termination.
  - c. Rights Upon Termination. Upon termination for whatever reason and regardless of the nature of the default (if any), Client agrees to pay Consultant in full for all Services provided to Client under this Agreement, or any amendment thereto, as of the effective date of termination of the Agreement.
5. Data Accuracy. Consultant shall provide guidance to the Client in determining the data required. The Client represents that all financial and statistical information provided to Consultant by Client, its employees and/or agents is accurate and complete to the best of Client's knowledge. The Client further acknowledges and agrees that Consultant shall be entitled to rely upon the accuracy and completeness of the data to perform the Services. Client shall provide all such data in a timely manner sufficient to allow Consultant to provide the Services. Consultant shall have no liability to Client whatsoever if Client provides incomplete or inaccurate data or provides data in an untimely manner.
6. Records and Inspections. Consultant shall maintain full and accurate records with respect to all matters covered under this Agreement for 6 years after the completion of the Services. During such period, Client shall have the right to examine and audit the records and to make transcripts therefrom. Client shall provide 30 days' prior written notice of its intent to inspect or audit any such records and shall conduct such inspection or audit only during Consultant's normal business hours and no more than once every six months. Any employee, consultant, subcontractor or agent of Client granted access to such records shall execute a non-disclosure agreement prior to being granted access.
7. Copyright for Consultant's Proprietary Software. To the extent that the Services provided by Consultant are generated by Consultant's proprietary software, nothing contained herein is intended nor shall it be construed to require Consultant to provide such software to Client. Client agrees that it has no claims of ownership,

including copyright, patents or other intellectual property rights to Consultant's software. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to grant Client any rights to Consultant's materials created prior to the execution of this Agreement. All of the deliverables under this Agreement are specifically set out in Exhibit A.

8. Insurance. Consultant shall maintain customary general liability insurance in the amounts of \$1,000,000 per occurrence / \$2,000,000 annual aggregate, workers' compensation insurance including employer's liability in the amount of \$1,000,000, automobile liability insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000, and professional liability insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000.
9. Indemnification. To the extent allowed by law, Consultant shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Client from and against any and all third-party claims and resulting proven direct damages, liabilities and costs (including reasonable attorneys' fees) to the extent proximately caused by the negligent actions or willful misconduct of Consultant, its employees or agents. Consultant shall not be responsible for any damages, liabilities or costs resulting from the negligence or willful misconduct of the Client, its employees, consultants, or agents or any third party.
10. Limitation of Liability. Client agrees that Consultant's total liability to Client for any and all damages whatsoever arising out of, or in any way related to, this Agreement from any cause, including but not limited to negligence, errors, omissions, strict liability, breach of contract or breach of warranty shall not, in the aggregate, exceed \$7,500.00.

In no event shall Consultant be liable for indirect, special, incidental, economic, consequential or punitive damages, including but not limited to lost revenue, lost profits, replacement goods, loss of technology rights or services, loss of data, or interruption or loss of use of software or any portion thereof regardless of the legal theory under which such damages are sought even if Consultant has been advised of the likelihood of such damages, and notwithstanding any failure of essential purpose of any limited remedy.

Any claim by Client against Consultant relating to this Agreement must be made in writing and presented to Consultant within one (1) year after the date on which Consultant completes performance of the Services specified in this Agreement.

11. Consultant Liability if Audited. Consultant shall, upon notice of audit, make work papers and other records available to the auditors. Consultant's sole responsibility under an audit shall be to provide reasonable assistance to Client through the audit and to make changes to the work product required as a result of the audit. Consultant shall not be liable for any audit disallowances or any missed or lost revenue associated with, or related to, the Services, regardless of cause.
12. Notices. Any notice of default, in accordance with section 4(a) of this Agreement, shall be delivered by certified mail or overnight courier. Any other notices, bills, invoices, or reports required by this Agreement shall be sufficient if sent by the parties via email or in the United States mail, postage paid, to the address noted below:

County of Tuscola  
Circuit Court  
440 N. State Street  
Caro, MI 48723  
989.672.0075

MAXIMUS Consulting Services, Inc.  
808 Moorefield Park Drive, Suite 205  
Richmond, VA 23236  
804.323.3535  
[fsc-operations@maximus.com](mailto:fsc-operations@maximus.com)

Such notice shall be deemed delivered same day if sent via email or 5 days after deposit in the U.S. mailbox

13. Changes. The terms and conditions of this Agreement, including all attached and incorporated Exhibits, may be changed only by written agreement signed by both parties.

14. Miscellaneous

- a. If Consultant is requested by Client to produce Consultant deliverables, documents, records, working papers, or personnel for testimony or interviews with respect to this Agreement or any services provided hereunder, then Client and Consultant shall execute a change order or new services agreement for the sole purpose of setting forth any payment and the terms associated with Consultant's response and related to the reasonable fees of Consultant in responding. The foregoing does not diminish or negate Consultant's obligation to negotiate and defend all cost allocation plans and State mandated cost claims as specifically provided for under the Description of Services contained in Exhibit A.
- b. Consultant specifically disclaims all warranties, express or implied, including, but not limited to, the warranties of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose.
- c. Consultant reserves the right to subcontract the Services. Consultant agrees to notify Client in writing of any such subcontracts.
- d. There are no third-party beneficiaries to this Agreement and nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to provide any rights or benefits to any third-party.
- e. The parties intend that Consultant, in performing the Services specified in this Agreement shall act as an independent contractor and shall have full control of the work and the manner in which it is performed. Consultant and its employees are not to be considered agents or employees of Client for any purpose.
- f. In the event that any provision of this Agreement is held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable for any reason, this Agreement will continue in full force and effect without said provision, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby, and this Agreement will be interpreted to reflect the original intent of the parties insofar as possible.
- g. The titles of the sections, subsections, and paragraphs set forth in this Agreement are inserted for convenience of reference only and shall be disregarded in construing or interpreting any of the provisions of this Agreement.
- h. This Agreement and any additional or supplementary document or documents incorporated by specific reference contain all the terms and conditions agreed upon by the parties hereto, and no other agreements, oral or otherwise, regarding the subject matter of this Agreement or any part thereof shall have any validity or bind any of the parties hereto.
- i. Neither party shall be liable by reason of any failure or delay in the performance of its obligations on account of strikes, shortages, riots, insurrection, fires, flood, storm, explosions, earthquakes, acts of God, war, governmental action, labor conditions, material shortages or any other cause which is beyond the reasonable control of such party.
- j. Each individual signing this Agreement certifies that (i) he or she is authorized to sign this Agreement on behalf of his or her respective organization, (ii) such organization has obtained all necessary

approvals to enter into this Agreement, including but not limited to the approval of its governing board, and (iii) when executed, this Agreement is a valid and enforceable obligation of such organization.

- k. Waiver by either party of a breach of any provision of this Agreement or the failure by either party to exercise any right will not operate or be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach of that provision or as a waiver of that right.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Client and the Consultant have executed this Agreement as of the date last written below.

Tuscola County, Michigan

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

MAXIMUS Consulting Services, Inc.

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXHIBIT A**  
**Scope of Services**  
**MI CO Tuscola Court CAP 14**

Description of Services:

- a) Development of a Court-wide departmental overhead cost allocation plan which identifies the various costs incurred by the Court/County to support and administer the Child Care Fund program. The administrative costs relating to the In-Home Care programs can be recovered by the State at a rate of 50% of the cost.
- b) The allowable costs include costs which are typically paid for out of the general fund, Juvenile Court activity in support of the various Child Care cost components. In addition, the appropriate share of the Court's indirect costs, as identified in the county-wide cost allocation plan is identified down to the program level, allowing for reimbursement of the allowable portion.
- c) Negotiate the completed departmental cost allocation plan with the representatives of the Michigan Department of Juvenile Justice, as required.
- d) Consultant will upon request provide assistance in preparing initial claims to the State for recovery of funds due the Court. Consultant will also monitor the progress of claims through the State to insure the Court received recoveries due it.

**EXHIBIT B**  
**Compensation**  
**MI CO Tuscola Court CAP 14**

For Services provided as set forth in Exhibit A, Client agrees to pay Consultant compensation in the amount of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500).

Fiscal Year 2014	\$2,500
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**Optional Two-Year Extension** – the client may extend this contract for the preparation of Fiscal Years 2015 and 2016 Trial Court departmental overhead cost allocation plans. This fee will be paid at the rate of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) for the preparation of the 2015 cost plan, and Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) for the preparation of the 2016 cost plan.

Consultant will render to Client one or more invoices for the fees specified herein, with payment due thirty (30) days after the invoice date.



# SOLUTIONS OF SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN LLC

PO Box 10 - Union City, MI 49094  
Ph: (888)741-8515 - Fax: (269)729-9058  
Email: service@sswmi.com

Date Submitted: 9/12/16

Customer		Contract Type	Period Covered Under Contract	
Tuscola County Register of Deeds 125 W. Lincoln St. Suite 400 Caro, MI 48723 Attn: John Bishop		GMA	Begin	End
			11/1/16	10/31/17
Make/Model	Serial #	Contract Covers	Contract Excludes	Cost Per Year
ST Imaging View Scan III	15054-70268	Parts, Labor, & Travel	Misuse of equipment	\$995.00
<b>Extras not included above:</b> Solutions agrees to perform 2 cleanings a year for each of the above named machines.				

Contract good for 30 days from submitted date

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Clients Signature of Agreement)

Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_



**TUSCOLA COUNTY, MICHIGAN  
COUNTY-WIDE COST ALLOCATION PLAN  
CERTIFICATE OF INDIRECT COSTS**

This is to certify that I have reviewed the indirect cost plan submitted herewith and to the best of my knowledge and belief:

- (1) All costs included in this plan are for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2015 and are to establish billing or final indirect costs for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2017, and are allowable in accordance with the requirement of the 2 CFR Part 200, "Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards" and the Federal award(s) to which they apply. Unallowable costs have been adjusted for in allocating costs as indicated.
- (2) All costs included in this plan are properly allocated to Federal awards on the basis of a beneficial or causal relationship between the expenses incurred and the agreements to which they are allocated in accordance with applicable requirements. Further, the same costs that have been treated as indirect costs have not been claimed as direct costs. Similar types of costs have been accounted for consistently and the Federal Government will be notified of any accounting changes that would affect the costs identified.

I declare that the foregoing is true and correct.

**Tuscola County, Michigan**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Official: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**From:** Val Hartel <VHartel@atbdcpa.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 22, 2016 5:50 PM  
**To:** 'mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org'  
**Subject:** Tuscola county audit proposal recap  
**Attachments:** tuscola county audit proposal recap.pdf

Hi Mike,  
Angie discussed your proposal with me and this is what we came up with.

Just so you know when we figured the 2015 audit fee we way under estimated the additional time the GASB 68/71 would take. It amounted to approximately 110 additional hours on our part. Our budgeted hours was more like 30. Some of that additional time had to due with your component units as the additional disclosures for your audit report had to include all your component units. With this being the first year for GASB 68/71 reporting, there ended up being a few issues on your component units audit reports. Some turned out to be ok for them, but we needed a little different format for on your audit report and others turned out not quite as well. We couldn't finish yours till we knew what they were doing. If they reissued, we would need that information and need to either have it in your audit before we finalized or reissue your audit. It ended up that they will fix the issue on their audit report next year with a prior period entry. And of course there was the Road Commission!

We mentioned a few of these things to Clayette, but probably didn't go into detail as she had enough going on and there really wasn't anything she could do. We just needed to wait to see what the other auditor was going to do with their audit report. I am sure these will be taken care of for the 2016 audit, but unfortunately for all of us, GASB 68/71 will require additional work each year. For your 2016 audit you will also have GASB 72 & 77 effective.

I am in the office all day Friday, so fee free to call me. Or if you want me to come down to go over this, I would be glad to do that. Hopefully this proposal meets your expectations.

Have a great night.

*Valerie J. Hartel, CPA*

Shareholder  
Anderson, Tuckey, Bernhardt & Doran, P.C.  
Certified Public Accountants

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# ANDERSON, TUCKEY, BERNHARDT & DORAN, P.C.

Certified Public Accountants

Gary R. Anderson, CPA  
Thomas B. Doran, CPA  
Valerie J. Hartel, CPA  
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Jerry J. Bernhardt, CPA  
Robert L. Tuckey, CPA

Terry L. Haske, CPA  
Jamie L. Peasley, CPA  
Timothy D. Franzel  
Laura J. Kosal, CPA  
Angela M. Burnette, CPA  
David A. Ondrajka, CPA

## Tuscola County Audit

**Actual:**

<u>Year</u>	<u>Audit Base</u>			<u>Total</u>
	<u>Cost*</u>	<u>Clarity Std**</u>	<u>Other</u>	
2013	\$35,000	\$900	\$500	\$36,400
2014	\$35,000	\$900	\$375	\$36,275
2015	\$36,000	\$900	\$300	\$37,200

**Proposed:**

2016	\$39,000	\$1,000		\$40,000
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		<u>Effective Yr</u>
**	Clarity Standards involve component units ##Communications/Subsequent testing component units & their auditors##	2012
***	New GASBs (Government Auditing Standards Board)	
	GASB 65 F/R-Deferred Outflows/Infows add'l	2013
	GASB 66 Technical Corrections (GASB 10)	2013
	GASB 67 F/R-Pension Plans	2014
	GASB 68/71 Pension Plans	2015
	GASB 69 Combinations/Disposals Gov	2014
	GASB 70 Nonexchange Guarantees	2014
	GASB 72 Fair Value	2016
	GASB 75 Postemploy Benefits-Nonpension	2018
	GASB 77 Tax Abatement Disclosures	2016

\*Audit base fee includes audit, single audit, F65, data collection form preparation, CAFR checklist, CAFR comments assistance, etc

# TUSCOLA COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

## NEWS RELEASE

To: Tuscola County Media

Contact: Ken Micklash  
Executive Director  
Tuscola County Community Foundation  
(989) 673-8223

For Immediate Release  
August 29, 2016

### 2016 Fall Grants Announced

The Tuscola County Community Foundation is offering grants to fund projects within Tuscola County. Approximately, \$95,000 will be available to apply for during this upcoming fall grant cycle foreligible Tuscola County organizations. Ken Micklash, Executive Director, will offer an informational meeting to answer applicant questions at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, September 12, 2016 at the Tuscola Technology Center, 1401 Cleaver Road, Caro. The meeting will acquaint participants with the community foundation's grant guidelines and its grant application forms. Attendance at this meeting is not required in order to apply for grant funding. Applications must be postmarked by October 1, 2016.

<u>Name of Fund</u>	<u>Amounts Available</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Janks	\$50,000	Unrestricted
Andrews	\$15,000	Children's Activities
Future Youth Involvement	\$30,000	Youth Programs
Anne S. Laethem	\$500	Preservation of historic buildings in Tuscola Co.

Interested parties are asked to RSVP either by writing to Tuscola County Community Foundation, P.O. Box 534, Caro, MI 48723, or calling (989) 673-8223, or sending an email to [tccf534@centurytel.net](mailto:tccf534@centurytel.net).

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Tuscola County

Clayette Zechmeister <zclay@tuscolacounty.org>

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**Fwd: CRP Contract Signing Issues - IMPORTANT PLEASE READ**

1 message

Sandra Erskine <serskine@tuscolacounty.org>  
To: Clayette Zechmeister <zclay@tuscolacounty.org>

Thu, Sep 15, 2016 at 2:17 PM

FYI

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Sandra Erskine <serskine@tuscolacounty.org>  
Date: Tue, Sep 13, 2016 at 9:54 AM  
Subject: Fwd: CRP Contract Signing Issues - IMPORTANT PLEASE READ  
To: Mike Hoagland <mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org>

Greetings Mike:

OCS has amended some of the contract language in the FY 2017-2021 CRP Contract. They have pulled all of the signed contracts and are requiring new signed contracts of the "corrected" version. *(The amended language is at the end of this email)* This will require us to obtain new signatures.

The amended language is below. This language came directly from the State. The update is in Section 4.6 and will now read as follows:

4.6 Liability (NOW)

Except as otherwise provided by law neither Party shall be obligated to the other, or indemnify the other for any third party claims, demands, costs, or judgments arising out of activities to be carried out pursuant to the obligations or either party under this Agreement, nothing herein shall be construed as a waiver of any governmental immunity for either party or its agencies, or officers and employees as provided by statute or modified by court decisions.

#### 4.6 Liability (PREVIOUS)

All liability to third parties, loss, or damage as a result of claims, demands, costs or judgments arising out of activities, such as direct service delivery, to be carried out by the Grantee in the performance of this agreement shall be the responsibility of the Grantee, and not the responsibility of MDHHS, if the liability, loss or damage is caused by, or arises out of, the actions or failure to act on the part of the Grantee, any subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by the Grantee, provided that nothing herein shall be construed as a waiver of any governmental immunity that has been provided to the Grantee or its employees by statute or court decisions. MDHHS is not liable for consequential, incidental, indirect, or special damages, regardless of the nature of the action.

Do we need to get this back on the Board Agenda?

Thanks for your help,

Sandy

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TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION HONORING DISPATCH SUPERVISOR CAREY BAXTER

Thursday, September 29, 2016

WHEREAS, we assemble this day to celebrate Supervisor Carey Baxter for her dedicated years of meritorious service from October 1997 through August 2016 to Tuscola County Central Dispatch, Tuscola County Emergency Responders and the Citizens of Tuscola County; and

WHEREAS, the leadership she provided to the staff created an environment for success and high quality and earned her an appointment as a Certified Communications Training Officer in 2002 and a promotion to Supervisor in 2014; and

WHEREAS, her never-ending compassion and support for fulfilling the needs of the citizens of Tuscola County clearly made a difference in their lives during times of crisis; and

WHEREAS, her drive and determination to move forward beyond any obstacle earned her the respect of all emergency responders; and

WHEREAS, her outstanding service to the public and emergency responders was acknowledged and documented by receiving the Certificate of Commendations from Saginaw Valley Medical Control for providing CPR instructions for an infant in 2002 and assisting in delivering a baby in 2005, the Michigan State Police and Tuscola County Sheriff Department for shots fired upon officers calls in 2001 and 2007.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, on this day of September 29, 2016, that the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners is proud to congratulate the family of Dispatch Supervisor Carey Baxter on her exemplary leadership and her dedication to the citizens of Tuscola County. We sincerely thank you for the sacrifices she made to provide unquestionable dedication and service to Tuscola County Central Dispatch, its public safety personnel, and the Citizens of Tuscola County.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Thomas Bardwell, Chairperson  
Tuscola County Board of Commissioners

I, Jodi Fetting, Tuscola County Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution approved by the Board of Commissioners at a meeting on September 29, 2016.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Jodi Fetting  
Tuscola County Clerk

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STATE OF MICHIGAN



54TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT

HON. AMY GRACE GIERHART  
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

440 NORTH STATE STREET  
CARO, MICHIGAN 48723

(989) 672-3720

09/16/2016

Re: Bonnie Ware

Mr. Hoagland

We are adjusting Ms. Ware's position so that we can receive additional reimbursement from the State of Michigan. My position will be 70% reimbursable through the State of Michigan Child Care Fund due to additional responsibilities and Bonnie Ware's position will be partially funded by the CJO grant. As such, her position will be renamed the Collections/Assistant Juvenile Probation Officer. She will not necessarily have additional job duties, but the county will receive additional federal/state reimbursement because of the reclassification of her title. Furthermore, she will be able to provide additional support to Juvenile Probation in her collections position. This will have actually have become effective as of 07/01/2016 so that we can receive the funding as of that date. If you have any questions, please free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Caryn Painter".

Caryn Painter, MPA

Circuit Court Administrator

(989) 672-3702



**Landmark Design Group, P.C.**

3883 Linden Ave., SE, Suite A, Grand Rapids, MI 49548, 616-956-0606

September 20, 2016

Mike Hoagland, Controller/Administrator  
Tuscola County  
125 W Lincoln Street  
Caro, MI 48723

Re: Tuscola County Jail  
Architectural/Engineering Services Proposal  
Plumbing and Window Replacement project

Dear Mr Hoagland,

Landmark Design Group, P.C and our mechanical/electrical engineer Morgan Landon appreciates the opportunity to provide Tuscola County with architectural and engineering services for the plumbing and window replacement project. The drawings are ninety percent complete and have been issued to the County for owner review.

After County review, we will issue the drawings for general contractor bidding. Landmark will attend the contractor pre bid meeting and the bid opening. After bids are received, we will review the bids and provide our written recommendation to the County. Landmark will prepare the Owner/Contractor contracts for review and signature.

During construction we will provide all normal construction administration services. For example; shop drawing reviews, answer contractor questions, issue written clarifications/bulletins/change orders as needed and review contractor payment applications. We anticipate on site meetings approximately twice per month. Upon project completion we will provide a punch list and assist in project close out.

As compensation for our services we request a fee of seven percent (7%) of the selected general contractor bid amount. This fee includes Morgan Landon's engineering services. The fee will be invoiced as the work is completed. If this proposal is acceptable, we will prepare an AIA Owner/Architect contract for your review.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (616) 956-0606 or email bob@landmark.us.com.

Sincerely,

**LANDMARK DESIGN GROUP, P.C.**

Robert Van Putten, Architect  
President

cc. Mike Miller, Tuscola County Maintenance

**From:** Bob VanPutten <[bob@landmark.us.com](mailto:bob@landmark.us.com)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 22, 2016 9:54 AM  
**To:** Mike Miller  
**Cc:** Mike Hoagland; Steve Jara; Morgan Landon  
**Subject:** Re: Tuscola County Jail - Bid Dates

Hello Mike.

We misunderstood the window project scope. The drawings show the replacement of only the jail windows. If you wish we can include all windows and exteriors doors if you wish. We will need your review/input once we get started on the drawings.

Bob Van Putten, President  
Landmark Design Group, PC

On Sep 22, 2016, at 9:22 AM, Mike Miller <[mmiller@tuscolacounty.org](mailto:mmiller@tuscolacounty.org)> wrote:

Great thank you! In the window project, are the office windows included? If not they should be.

On Thu, Sep 22, 2016 at 9:07 AM, Bob VanPutten <[bob@landmark.us.com](mailto:bob@landmark.us.com)> wrote:  
Hello Mike.

I discussed this with Morgan and Steve. These estimates are "ballpark cost" and we give a low/high cost range.

The base bid replacement cost of all water lines including wall removal/replacement is estimated to cost \$200,000 to \$300,000.

The exterior jail window replacement cost is \$75,000 to \$100,000 based on 25 windows at \$3,000 to \$4,000 each.

The replacement of the 15 detention toilet/sink fixtures in A/B wings is \$45,000 to \$75,000 based on an estimated amount of \$3,000 to \$5,000 each.

It will be important to receive good competitive bidding from the contractors to determine the actual cost.

Thanks.

Bob Van Putten, President  
Landmark Design Group, PC

On Sep 21, 2016, at 3:38 PM, Mike Miller <[mmiller@tuscolacounty.org](mailto:mmiller@tuscolacounty.org)> wrote:

Bob, do you have any ballpark idea what the cost for this project will be? I am sure the Board will ask this.

We will be meeting with our abatement company on Tuesday to get a estimate.

On Wed, Sep 21, 2016 at 2:08 PM, Bob VanPutten <[bob@landmark.us.com](mailto:bob@landmark.us.com)> wrote:

Hello all.

I spoke to Morgan and he still needs a week to complete his drawings. We would like to issue for contractor bidding next week Thursday, September 29. We would suggest bids due/opened on Thursday, October 27 at 2:00 pm and the contractor prebid meeting on Thursday, October 13 at 10:00 am.

Let me know if those dates are acceptable.

Thanks.

Bob Van Putten, President  
Landmark Design Group, PC

[mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org](mailto:mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org)

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**From:** mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 20, 2016 11:37 AM  
**To:** Robert McKay  
**Cc:** Sherry Vicky; Mike Miller (Mike Miller); ctrisch@tuscolacounty.org, 'Bardwell Thom', 'Bierlein Matthew'; 'Kirkpatrick Craig'; 'Thomas Young'  
**Subject:** Vanderbilt Park Grant Preliminary Score  
**Attachments:** Recreation Passport Worksheet.pdf

Robert

Preliminary scores have been received for the Vanderbilt Park grant application. We scored 160 out of a total of 230. We have opportunity to increase our score by possibly as much as 30 points. We spoke with our contact person and one way to improve our score is to provide barrier free access to the water fountain. This is expected to be a low cost change. We may also increase our score by explaining the age and deteriorated state of picnic tables and campfire rings. Also, it will be stressed that replacement will be with barrier free and universal design picnic tables and campfire rings. We are submitting a communication to try to improve our score.

Based on comparison to last year scores, we may be funded with a score of 160 but 190 would be even better. Attached for comparison is scores and projects that were funded last year.

Cross your fingers.

Mike

Michael R. Hoagland  
Tuscola County Controller/Administrator  
989-672-3700  
[mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org](mailto:mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org)

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**RECREATION PASSPORT DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION EVALUATION WORKSHEET-PRE**

Grant Amount Requested	\$10,700.00
Match Percentage	25 %
Match Amount	\$3,600.00
Total Project Cost	\$14,300.00

**Core Criteria**

**1. NEED FOR THE PROJECT**

RATIONALE:	Maximum Possible Points	Preliminary Score	Final Score
A. Applicant demonstrates a scarcity of parks and recreation services.	30	30	
B. Applicant does not demonstrate a general scarcity of parks and recreation services, but demonstrates a scarcity of a specific recreation type which will be provided by the project.	15		
C. Applicant does not demonstrate a general scarcity of parks and recreation services and does not demonstrate a scarcity for the specific recreation service type which will be provided by the project.	0		
<b>FINANCIAL NEED OF THE APPLICANT:</b>			
A. Bottom 1/3 Median Household Income.	30		
B. Middle 1/3 Median Household Income.	15	15	
C. Upper 1/3 and higher Median Household Income.	0		
<b>RENOVATION:</b>			
The proposed project is a renovation of an existing facility that is beyond its life expectancy typically 20 years for outdoor elements and 40 years for buildings.	20	0	
<b>PRIORITY:</b>			
The applicant has submitted only one application or, if the applicant submitted multiple applications, this application is the highest priority.	10	10	
<b>Maximum Possible Points</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>55</b>	

**Comments to Applicant:**

- \* Rationale - this is the only county park and campground.
- \* Financial Need: \$43,039 MHI per current US Census 5-Year ACS
- \* Renovation - these are new scope items. So the project does not qualify for renovation points.

**2. SITE QUALITY**

LOCATION OF PROJECT SITE:	Maximum Possible Points	Preliminary Score	Final Score
A. The location of the development is appropriate given the natural resources present, the applicant's existing park and recreation system, location of similar facilities, proximity to users, proximity to other destinations, accessibility to public and non-motorized transportation, compatibility of surrounding land uses, safety considerations and other relevant factors.	10	10	
B. There are some concerns with the location of the development given the natural resources present, the applicant's existing park and recreation system location of similar facilities, proximity to users, proximity to other destinations, accessibility to public and non-motorized transportation, compatibility of surrounding land uses, safety considerations and other relevant factors.	5		
C. There are many concerns with the location of the development given the natural resources present, the applicant's existing park and recreation system, location of similar facilities, proximity to users, proximity to other destinations, accessibility to	0		

public and non-motorized transportation, compatibility of surrounding land uses, safety considerations and other relevant factors.

**EASE OF ACCESS:**

A. The site is easily recognizable as a public park and is easy to locate or will have adequate directional signage in place.	10	10	
B. There is some difficulty in recognizing that the location is a public park, or the location is somewhat difficult to locate.	5		
C. Site is difficult to locate and is difficult to recognize as public park.	0		
<b>Maximum Possible Points</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>20</b>	

Comments to Applicant:

**3. PROJECT QUALITY**

QUALITY OF OVERALL PARK AND RECREATION FACILITY:	Maximum Possible Points	Preliminary Score	Final Score
A. Application clearly describes the proposed, existing, and future facilities at the site, including clear site plans. Expected traffic flow pattern is safe and convenient, access routes are provided to all facilities, facilities are placed to have the least environmental impact, layout maximizes groundwater infiltration, and the recreation and support facilities do not negatively impact each other.	10		
B. Application clearly describes the proposed, existing, and future facilities at the site, including clear site plans. However, there are concerns about expected traffic flow, access to facilities, environmental impacts or the impact facilities will have on each other.	5	5	
C. The application does not clearly describe the proposed, existing, and future facilities at the site or there are strong concerns about the expected traffic flow, access to facilities, environmental impacts or the impact facilities will have on each other.	0		
<b>COMPATIBILITY:</b>			
A. Facilities size and cost are appropriate and development is fully compatible with the size, natural and physical characteristics of the site.	10		
B. There is some concerns about the compatibility of the site and its intended use.	5	5	
C. The development has poor compatibility with the site.	0		
<b>PROGRAMMING/MARKETING:</b>			
A. The applicant has a clear plan on how to make the public aware of the project and facilities, including any universally design facilities in the project.	10	10	
B. The applicant has a partial plan for publicizing the project and facilities, including any universally design facilities in the project.	5		
C. The applicant has no plan for publicizing the project and facilities, including any universally design facilities in the project.	0		
<b>SAFETY MEASURES:</b>			
A. User safety at the site is addressed through project design incorporating the following, as appropriate: maximization of visibility of people and parking areas, adequate lighting, hours of operation are or will be clearly posted, project is monitored at appropriate times and locations as necessary, physical layout clearly defines property lines and provides adequate separation with private spaces if appropriate for development, trails within parks minimize dead ends, public routes are clearly defined, and facilities in fire-prone areas are designed to protect from fire damage.	10	10	
B. User safety at the site is addressed through project design incorporating the above design considerations, however some parts of the park raise concerns for user safety.	5		
C. User safety concerns have not been clearly incorporated into project design.	0		
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY:</b>			
A. Use of Three or More Environmentally Friendly Materials (must be listed as scope items; see application booklet for examples).	10		
B. Some facilities in the application utilize environmentally friendly materials and design. (Must be listed as scope items).	5	5	
C. No facilities in the application utilize environmentally friendly materials and design.	0		
<b>UNIVERSAL ACCESSIBILITY OF PARKS AND FACILITIES:</b>			
A. ALL of the proposed facilities incorporate the Universal Design and are designed beyond the 2010 ADA Standards and current Accessibility Guidelines for Outdoor Developed Areas. Meeting minutes or letters documenting dialogue with persons provided to demonstrate Universal Design features.	20		
B. SOME of the facilities incorporate the Universal Design and are designed beyond the 2010 ADA Standards and current Accessibility Guidelines for Outdoor Developed Areas. Dimensions, preliminary drawings or cut-sheets were provided to demonstrate Universal Design Features.	10		
C. None of the proposed facilities incorporate Universal Design and/or insufficient documentation was provided.	0	0	
<b>Maximum Possible Points</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>35</b>	

Comments to Applicant:

\* Quality/Compatibility - There is not ADA access to the restroom or accessible parking at the restroom. The proposed application must meet ADA in order to move forward.  
 \* Environmentally Friendly - picnic tables with recycled plastic. 3 items are required for all points, Gravel is not counted.  
 \* Universal Accessibility - Although having all accessible picnic tables and fire pits is above and beyond ADA, there is not accessible routes to and around them so points are not given in this category. A review letter was provided by a park user.

**4. APPLICANT HISTORY**

STEWARDSHIP OF EXISTING FACILITIES:	Maximum Possible Points	Preliminary Score	Final Score
A. Applicant has not closed, sold, or transferred use of a park or public recreation facility for non-public recreation purpose. Or the applicant has never received a grant.	10	10	
B. Applicant is in compliance with all requirements at park sites that have been acquired or developed with recreation grant assistance in the past - including signage requirements. Also, the applicant has complied with DNR procedures on active, open grants (acquisition and development). Do not give points if the applicant has an on-going conversion, but is working to resolve the conversion. Give points if the applicant has never received a grant.	10	10	
<b>MAINTENANCE OF EXISTING FACILITIES:</b>			
A. The park and public recreation sites in the applicant's system are appropriately operated, maintained (including presence of signs for grant-assisted sites), and staffed. The park maintenance schedule was provided.	10	10	
B. Most parks and public recreation sites in the applicant's system are appropriately operated and maintained, and staffed.	5		
C. Few or no parks and public recreation sites in the applicant's system are appropriately operated and maintained.	0		
<b>PAST PER CAPITA GRANT ASSISTANCE:</b>			
A. The applicant has received no (RP), MNRTF, or LWCF grant assistance in the past five years.	20	20	
B. The applicant has received below the median of per-capita RP, MNRTF, or LWCF grant assistance in the past five years.	10		
C. The applicant has received above the median in per-capita RP, MNRTF, or LWCF grant assistance in the past five years.	0		
<b>Maximum Possible Points</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>50</b>	

Comments to Applicant:

**5. CONVERSION HISTORY**

Applicant has a known unresolved conversion of a grant-assisted site to a use that does not qualify as public outdoor recreation (applies to all grant programs).	-20	0	
<b>Point DEDUCTION</b>	<b>-20</b>	<b>0</b>	

<b>Maximum Points Possible = 230</b>	<b>Total Application Points</b>	<b>160</b>	
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Comments to Applicant:

No known conversions. A score of zero in this category is a good thing!

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FINAL: DNR STAFF RANKINGS

2015 RPGP Applications

Score	Applicant	App. No.	Project Title	Project County	Grant Request Amount	Cumulative Requested Amount
210	Wilmot Township-Cheboygan County	RP15-0044	Wilmot Township Roadside park	Cheboygan	\$45,000.00	\$45,000.00
205	Banks Township-Antrim County	RP15-0077	Banks Township Park Improvements	Antrim	\$44,400.00	\$89,400.00
185	City of Swartz Creek-Genesee County	RP15-0003	Elms Park Community Renovation Project	Genesee	\$45,000.00	\$134,400.00
180	Marquette Charter Township-Marquette County	RP15-0041	Lions Field Recreation Area Barrier-free Trail Project	Marquette	\$45,000.00	\$179,400.00
180	City of Manistique-Schoolcraft County	RP15-0079	2015 Baseball Field Project	Schoolcraft	\$45,000.00	\$224,400.00
175	City of South Haven-Van Buren County	RP15-0015	Black River Park Restroom Renovation	Van Buren	\$37,500.00	\$261,900.00
175	Suttons Bay Township-Leelanau County	RP15-0042	Multi-use Covered Pavilion	Leelanau	\$45,000.00	\$306,900.00
175	L'Anse Township-Baraga County	RP15-0063	Electrical Improvements at L'Anse Township Park	Baraga	\$45,000.00	\$351,900.00
170	Calumet Charter Township-Houghton County	RP15-0050	Phase 2 Hockey boards and glass replacement	Houghton	\$45,000.00	\$396,900.00
170	Village of Sparta-Kent County	RP15-0065	Rogers Park Splash Pad	Kent	\$45,000.00	\$441,900.00
170	Village of Ontonagon-Ontonagon County	RP15-0069	Ontonagon Rec Building Lighting Renovation	Ontonagon	\$42,900.00	\$484,800.00
170	Powell Township-Marquette County	RP15-0080	Burn's Landing Development	Marquette	\$45,000.00	\$529,800.00
165	City of East Jordan-Charlevoix County	RP15-0005	Community Ice Skating Rink	Charlevoix	\$10,000.00	\$539,800.00
165	City of Detroit-Wayne County	RP15-0018	Howarth Playground Improvement Project	Wayne	\$45,000.00	\$584,800.00



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2015 RPPG Applications

Score	Applicant	App. No.	Project Title	Project County	Grant Request Amount	Cumulative Requested Amount
165	City of Marquette-Marquette County	RP15-0023	Tourist Park Day-Use Playground	Marquette	\$45,000.00	\$629,800.00
165	City of South Haven-Van Buren County	RP15-0057	Bicycle Pump Track	Van Buren	\$42,800.00	\$672,600.00
165	City of Traverse City-Grand Traverse County	RP15-0064	Clancy Park Improvements	Grand Traverse	\$45,000.00	\$717,600.00
165	City of Boyne City-Charlevoix County	RP15-0072	Ridge Run Dog Park Fitness Trail	Charlevoix	\$10,400.00	\$728,000.00
165	Delta County-Delta County	RP15-0091	Equestrian Center Improvement - Speed Barn Renovation	Delta	\$45,000.00	\$773,000.00
160	City of Ludington-Mason County	RP15-0008	Ludington Mini-Golf Course	Mason	\$45,000.00	\$818,000.00
160	City of Hudsonville-Ottawa County	RP15-0012	Hughes Park Bathroom Renovation	Ottawa	\$45,000.00	\$863,000.00
160	Genesee County-Genesee County	RP15-0084	Bluebell Beach Park - Barrier Free Beach Access	Genesee	\$45,000.00	\$908,000.00
160	Village of Nashville-Barry County	RP15-0087	Putnam Park Improvements	Barry	\$45,000.00	\$953,000.00
155	Sanilac County-Sanilac County	RP15-0019	Handicapped Accessible Playground Equipment Project	Sanilac	\$45,000.00	\$998,000.00
155	Village of Newberry-Luce County	RP15-0030	Atlas Park Renovation	Luce	\$45,000.00	\$1,043,000.00
150	Village of Constantine-St. Joseph County	RP15-0011	Well Field Little League Park Upgrade Project	St. Joseph	\$20,900.00	\$1,063,900.00
150	City of Whittemore-Iosco County	RP15-0027	Whittemore Railroad Memorial Park	Iosco	\$45,000.00	\$1,108,900.00
150	Village of L'Anse-Baraga County	RP15-0062	Splash Park Improvements	Baraga	\$45,000.00	\$1,153,900.00
150	Waterford Township-Oakland County	RP15-0066	Clinton River Riverwalk Phase 4	Oakland	\$45,000.00	\$1,198,900.00



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2015 RPKG Applications

Score	Applicant	App. No.	Project Title	Project County	Grant Request Amount	Cumulative Requested Amount
150	Golden Township-Oceana County	RP15-0075	Golden Township Park Phase 1 Recreational Improvements	Oceana	\$45,000.00	\$1,243,900.00
150	City of Harrison-Clare County	RP15-0098	Town Square Band Shell	Clare	\$45,000.00	\$1,288,900.00
150	City of Harrison-Clare County	RP15-0099	Splash Pad Town Square	Clare	\$45,000.00	\$1,333,900.00
150	City of Harrison-Clare County	RP15-0100	Ice Rink Town Square	Clare	\$16,500.00	\$1,350,400.00
145	Iron Ore Heritage Recreation Authority -Marquette County	RP15-0040	Iron Ore Heritage Trail head Amenities	Marquette	\$16,800.00	\$1,367,200.00
145	City of Ionia-Ionia County	RP15-0070	Shattuck Park	Ionia	\$43,000.00	\$1,410,200.00
145	City of Grand Haven-Ottawa County	RP15-0096	Bolt Park Climbing Net	Ottawa	\$25,000.00	\$1,435,200.00
140	City of Charlotte-Eaton County	RP15-0043	Charlotte Area Recreation Complex Development Project	Eaton	\$45,000.00	\$1,480,200.00
140	Marquette County-Marquette County	RP15-0089	Iron Belle/North Country Trail Project	Marquette	\$45,000.00	\$1,525,200.00
135	Chikaming Township-Berrien County	RP15-0101	Harbert Community Park	Berrien	\$21,400.00	\$1,546,600.00
130	Sanilac County-Sanilac County	RP15-0020	Lexington Park Accessible Playground Equipment Project	Sanilac	\$45,000.00	\$1,591,600.00
130	Village of Shelby-Oceana County	RP15-0052	Getty Park Rehabilitation Project B	Oceana	\$45,000.00	\$1,636,600.00
120	Delhi Charter Township -Ingham County	RP15-0058	Kiwanis Park Restroom Building Ammenities	Ingham	\$34,500.00	\$1,671,100.00
120	City of Keego Harbor-Oakland County	RP15-0085	Accessible Routes at Multiple Parks	Oakland	\$9,000.00	\$1,680,100.00
115	Bear Creek Township-Emmet County	RP15-0086	Spring Lake Park Accessible Trail and Fishing Platforms	Emmet	\$45,000.00	\$1,725,100.00



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2015 RPGP Applications

Score	Applicant	App. No.	Project Title	Project County	Grant Request Amount	Cumulative Requested Amount
115	Berrien County-Berrien County	RP15-0090	Madeline Bertrand County Park Entrance	Berrien	\$45,000.00	\$1,770,100.00

No. of Applications: 45

Request Total: \$1,770,100.00

## Help Secure Passage of Dark Stores Reform

House Bill 5578, now before the Senate, codifies a May 2016 Court of Appeals (COA) decision requiring the Michigan Tax Tribunal to consider all three standard appraisal methods for determining the value of property based on "highest and best use." The bill also would block inappropriate use of deed restrictions. A conservative estimate puts revenue losses due to Dark Stores at more than \$100 million since 2013.

**TASK:** Call your senator to offer support for House Bill 5578, and say:

*The COA decision only applies to that particular case, not to any others, and is not a binding precedent.*

## Help Resolve Problems with the Child Care Fund

The State is behind in CCF payments to counties and have recently begun to short the reimbursements for expenses they previously approved in each county's annual budget. MAC has sent a survey out to each county asking the status of CCF payments.

**TASK:** Please encourage your county administrator/controller/clerk to respond to the electronic survey sent out earlier this week.

**TASK:** Contact your senator AND representative to encourage them to honor the state's responsibility for their portion of child care expenses.

## Help Convince the Legislature to Advance Real Tax Capture Reforms

The House and Senate have introduced differing versions of tax capture reform. While each calls for greater transparency, and penalties for failure to report to the state, neither gives counties any relief from continued capture of taxes. Nor do they sunset or reset the tax baseline for districts that have been in existence for 35 years, nor do they stop the capture of special millages.

**TASK:** Contact your representative AND senator to convey these points:

- ◆ These districts have been allowed to capture tax growth for decades, and can continue to capture millions each year in perpetuity
- ◆ counties still are mandated to pay for foster care, the court system, public health, sheriffs, jails and an array of other public services
- ◆ counties should be able to say how many county tax dollars can be captured, and for how long
- ◆ Special millages should be exempt from captures

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# 2016 Priorities

The following list for 2016 represents many of the policy and funding issues MAC is pursuing, but in no way is an exhaustive list of the issues we advocate for on behalf of Michigan's 83 counties.

## Maintaining Full Funding for County Revenue Sharing

- Revenue sharing is a statutory obligation on behalf of the state, established in the 1960s when counties gave up local taxing authority.
- Counties made an agreement with the state to forgo revenue sharing to help balance the state's budget with the understanding that full funding would return to each county once their reserve accounts were exhausted. This deal was honored in 2005, but not again until fiscal 2015.
- **The FY17 budget includes 101 percent of the formula amount for full funding. This is the third straight year of at least full funding for counties.**

## Preventing Future Unfunded Mandates

- In 2009, the Legislative Commission on Unfunded Mandates determined that more than \$2.5 billion in services that can be measured, and billions more that cannot be measured, are provided by local units of government for free to the state of Michigan through unfunded mandates. There is little that can be done about past state violations of the Michigan Constitution, however, legislation can, and should, be enacted that would require the Legislature to pay for any new mandates it imposes on counties before compliance would be required.
- Bills to address this issue are Senate Bills 388-90.
- **MAC urges passage of the reforms embodied in SBs 388-90.**

## Advocating for Justice Reinvestment

- Counties fund courts, sheriffs and jails and support creative proposals to address local incarceration and recidivism, as well as prevention programs and services.
- As the state looks at ways to decrease prison system costs and improve public safety, emphasis should be placed at the local level on primary prevention, juvenile education, drug education and effective law enforcement, expanded substance abuse and mental health treatment and community corrections.
- **MAC urges the state to take proactive steps to reduce the probation and parole failure rate before asking counties to take on more offenders at the local level.**

## Reforming Tax Capture Statutes

- Currently counties have limited say in the length and financial scope of tax capture districts. MAC is working with the House, Senate and the administration to ensure that counties have a voice in the economic development activities in their region by strengthening their voice in the tax capture and abatement process.
- **MAC's goals are to allow counties the opportunity to be partners in economic development; to have the ability to decide how much of their taxes are captured, for what purpose and for how long; and to create greater accountability of tax capture districts.**

## Closing the Big Box/Dark Store Tax Loophole

- Many "Big Box" retailers have been appealing their property tax assessments to the Michigan Tax Tribunal by challenging the "true cash value" of their properties.
- In the majority of the cases, the valuation methods being put forth equate the value of a vibrant, profitable operating business (Home Depot, Lowe's, etc.) with a closed, dark and abandoned commercial property.
- House Bill 5578 would reform this process by codifying Tax Tribunal practices to ensure that property is valued at its "highest and best use."
- **The House approved the bill 97-11. MAC supports the reforms embodied in HB 5578.**

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**Subject:** Fwd: Community Corrections

Sent from my iPhone

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**Subject:** RE: Community Corrections

Matthew,

This email is in response to the conversation we had at the MAC Annual Fall Conference about Community Correction Grants. I contacted the Michigan Department of Corrections to inquire about Tuscola's reduction in funding for the upcoming fiscal year.

The response that I was given was that Tuscola did not receive the full amount requested due to deficiencies in your application. Specifically, MDOC referenced your county's request for work crew funding. Per MDOC that funding is no longer a supportable Community Corrections expenditure on its own because there is no evidence it reduces risk or the number of people sent to prison.

While the Department admitted to funding this request in the past, moving forward they request that there be cognitive or vocational aspect to the work crew. The application also *"failed to clearly draw linkages between [Tuscola's] programs and the goals established for Community Corrections."* Therefore, part of your administrative funding was partially cut, also.

I inquired about whether there was an appeal process. They informed me that they can work with counties on potential issues up to the point of submission. After formal submission, the state board votes on the application and they are essentially locked in because it is a grant program and all of the funding is assigned.

My contact did offer the Department's assistance for next year. Also he mentioned that there will be a few training session in the spring. Finally, he provided a contact within the Department to speak to if need be, Linsey LaMontaigne at [517-373-3228](tel:517-373-3228).

I hope you find this information helpful. Please let me know if you need me to do further follow-up on this matter and do not hesitate to contact me with questions or concern .

Fondly,

Elizabeth