

THE DUKES COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE

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I hereby submit the Annual Report of the Treasurer of the County of Dukes County for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018. All financial records through that date have been examined by Powers & Sullivan, Certified Public Accountants of Wakefield, Massachusetts and were found to be in good order. The full audit report is available for inspection online at www.dukescounty.org or at the office of the County Treasurer.

At the close of FY18, the County's General Fund reported a fund balance of **\$ 951,498** which was a decrease of \$99,813 in comparison with June 30, 2017. Although there was a reduction in the fund balance, the towns received a refund of **\$150,000**. This is the fourth year that funds have been returned to the towns of the county which now totals **\$750,000**.

Major contributors to the decrease in Fund Balance were increases in deeds excise, a rise in revenue for treasurer's office services, as well as departmental spending below the budgetary limits set by the County Commissioners. These positive results were offset by the use of the \$150,000 from the unreserved Fund Balance to return money to the towns as well as supplemental appropriations. Fund Balance was used for capital improvements at the courthouse of which 87% will be reimbursed in the next fiscal year.

During FY18 there were staffing changes in the Treasurer's Office. Noreen Mavro Flanders retired in June after 27 years of dedicated service to our county. We thank Noreen for her dedication and her continued support as a consultant in FY19. Ann Metcalf was appointed by the Dukes County Commissioners to complete Noreen's remaining term. Donna Michalski continues to be our anchor in her position as half-time Parking Clerk and taking on new responsibilities in her role as Assistant Treasurer. Donna continues to keep our vendors happy paying invoices! Thank you, Donna! In FY19, Beth Kaeka joined the team in September 2018 and has been making contributions to the department with the payroll, bank reconciliations and benefit processing. Thank you Beth!

This is my first report as County Treasurer. Noreen left some very large shoes to fill. She left the Treasurer's office in great shape and has provided the County with continuity by continuing on as a part time consultant. Thank you Noreen! I am thankful to the County Manager, Martina Thornton and the all the departmental managers for continuing to find ways to increase/maintain revenues and stay on budget. It's a pleasure to be part of a dynamic and hardworking team.

Thank you. It is an honor to serve the citizens of the County of Dukes County.

Ann Metcalf
County Treasurer