

On Behalf Of Mark LaVigne

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Dear County Administrator/Manager

As county property tax bills are prepared for mailing, we thought it important to provide the following report that details where those local tax dollars get allocated.

The attached report, "State Programs Funded by County Property Taxes," is the next installment of NYSAC's continuing efforts to raise awareness of the systemic inequity of the State's public service delivery system that relies on property taxpayers to fund State programs, services and policy decisions. It serves as an extension of the 9 for 90 campaign, which identified the 9 mandates that consume 90 percent of the county property tax levy statewide. (http://www.nysac.org/legislative-action/9_for_90_Campaign.php)

Please feel free to post this report on your county website as a way to direct your homeowners and businesses to a more detailed list of where their local tax dollars go.

Also, I wanted to share a link to a website created by Rensselaer County to engage their residents in an effort to encourage their state representatives to make Medicaid reform and mandate relief their top priority in 2012. This is another way to localize the impact of State mandates on the county fisc and property tax levy. Here's the link: http://www.rensco.com/execoffice_mandaterelief.asp.

Happy Holidays and Best Wishes,

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