

CASS COUNTY , MICHIGAN DELINQUENT TAX REVOLVING FUND POLICY

The County Treasurer stopped issuing tax notes in 2003. Today, a portion of the Delinquent Tax Revolving Fund (DTRF) reserves is used annually to “purchase” delinquent taxes from the local units of government.

The DTRF shall maintain such reserves as are required to maintain a continual self-funded state for the timely distribution of property taxes that have not been collected by the due date and become delinquent pursuant to the Michigan property tax law Act 206 of the Public Act of 1893, as amended.

Over the years, Cass County has utilized retained earnings from the DTRF to support capital improvement projects, operating expenses of the Law and Courts Building or fees in connection with the forfeiture, foreclosure, sale, maintenance, repair, and remediation of foreclosed property and the administration of this act, including costs for the defense of title actions and other legal expenses.

The DTRF shall continue to be used in a similar manner.

Bond rating agencies consider the balances of the County’s major funds when evaluating the overall creditworthiness of the County. Maintaining a strong DTRF balance is critical to preserving a high credit rating and ensuring fiscal flexibility in the event of unforeseen financial challenges.

The DTRF shall maintain at least \$7,000,000 of audited unreserved retained earnings unpledged to maintain a high credit rating and to provide a reserve for emergencies.

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