Update on Accepted Municipalities
City of Fulton
Status Overview

• Opening conference with City officials December 13, 2013

• Ongoing analysis regarding:
  – Shared Services Opportunities
  – Procurement Practices
  – Economic Development Opportunities
  – Debt Profile
  – Workforce

• Conclusion of Comprehensive Review due May 2014
City of Fulton
Regional Government Context

• Around 150 local government entities in Oswego County (including school districts, fire districts, and town special districts)

• More than 375 elected officials serving a population of 122,109

• Personal Services spending for city, town, and village elected positions and their offices was more than $3.5 million in 2012
Town of Fishkill
Town of Fishkill
Status Overview

• Opening conference with Town officials December 20, 2013

• Ongoing analysis regarding:
  – Shared Services Opportunities
  – Administrative Practices
  – Technology Investment Opportunities

• Conclusion of Comprehensive Review due May 2014
Town of Fishkill
Regional Government Context

• Around 200 local government entities in Dutchess County (including school districts, fire districts, and town special districts)

• More than 500 elected officials serving a population of 297,488

• Personal Services spending for city, town, and village elected positions and their offices was nearly $7.5 million in 2012
Pending Applications
City of Rochester

• Located in Monroe County

• Population of 210,565 as of the 2010 Census – 2nd largest city in the state (excluding NYC)

• 2012 Expenditures of $583.1 million (all funds with transfers) – ranks 1st out of cities in the State (excluding NYC)
City of Rochester

- Automatically considered a Fiscally Eligible Municipality because of Average Full Value Property Tax Rate

- Average Full Value Property Tax Rate
  - Rochester: 8.06
  - All Cities (Median): 10.39

- Automatically Eligible Above 6.823

- Automatically Eligible Below 5%

- Average Fund Balance Percentage
  - Rochester: 12.93%
  - All Cities (Median): 19.15%
City of Rochester

- 2013 General Fund Balance was $68.6 million (15.6 percent of expenditures)

- From 2013 to 2014, the City’s All Funds budget was decreased by 2.1 percent and the property tax levy was held flat

- Budget gap for 2014-15 was initially projected at $37.5 million, has been reduced to $27.9 million

- Bond Ratings: Aa3 (Moody’s), A+ (S&P, Finch)
City of Rochester

- Median household income of $30,367, compared to the median of $38,699 for cities statewide
- Poverty rate of 33.4 percent for households citywide and child poverty rate of 51.1 percent
- Fifth poorest city in the country among the top 75 largest metropolitan areas
City of Rochester

- State law requires Rochester to allocate at least $119 million out of its $167 million levy to support its dependent school district.

- The City indicates that many shared services have been implemented with Monroe County.
Village of Alfred

- Located in Allegany County

- Population of 4,174 as of the 2010 Census – 129th largest village out of 549 villages in the State and 2nd largest village out of 10 villages in the County

- 2012 Expenditures of $3.9 million (all funds with transfers) – ranks 183rd of villages in the State.
Village of Alfred

• Automatically considered a Fiscally Eligible Municipality because of Average Full Value Property Tax Rate

![Graph showing Average Full Value Property Tax Rate and Average Fund Balance Percentage]

- **Average Full Value Property Tax Rate**
  - **Alfred**: 16.44%
  - **All Villages (Median)**: 5.41%

- **Average Fund Balance Percentage**
  - **Automatically Eligible Above 6.823**: 52.79%
  - **Automatically Eligible Below 5%**: 38.25%
Village of Alfred

• 2013 General Fund Balance was $686,784 (51.6 percent of expenditures)

• $128,940 of the General Fund Balance was appropriated in the 2014 budget

• Increased property tax levy 0.85% from 2013 to 2014

• The Village has the 9th highest Full Value Tax Rate for villages
Village of Alfred

• Largest employers in the Village are Alfred University and Alfred State College

• According to the Village, only 9.62 percent of assessed value in the Village is taxable

• Median household income of $24,219 – compared to the typical village’s median household income of $50,838
Village of North Collins
Village of North Collins

- Located in Erie County

- Population of 1,232 as of the 2010 Census – 334th largest village out of 549 villages in the State and 2nd smallest village out of 15 villages in the County

- 2012 Expenditures of $1.8 million (all funds with transfers) – ranks 303rd of villages in the State
Village of North Collins

- Automatically considered a Fiscally Eligible Municipality because of Average Full Value Property Tax Rate
Village of North Collins

- $273,989 in General Fund Balance at the end of 2013 (36.7 percent of expenditures)
- Increased property tax levy by 1.3 percent from 2013 to 2014
- $4.3 million in outstanding debt at the end of 2013
- Median household income of $46,000 – compared to the typical village’s median household income of $50,838
Village of Wilson
Village of Wilson

• Located in Niagara County

• Population of 1,264 as of the 2010 Census – 328th largest village out of 549 villages in the State and 4th largest village out of 5 villages in the County

• 2012 Expenditures of $1.1 million (all funds with transfers) – ranks 384th of villages in the State
Village of Wilson

- Automatically considered a Fiscally Eligible Municipality because of Average Full Value Property Tax Rate

**Average Full Value Property Tax Rate**
- Wilson: 7.47
- All Villages (Median): 5.41

**Average Fund Balance Percentage**
- Wilson: 16.72%
- All Villages (Median): 38.25%
Village of Wilson

• 2013 General Fund Balance was $164,789 (25.6 percent of expenditures)

• $65,064 of the General Fund Balance was appropriated in the 2014 budget

• Increased property tax levy by 6.1 percent from 2013 to 2014
Village of Wilson

- $1.6 million in outstanding debt at the end of 2013
- Median household income of $55,556 – compared to the typical village’s median household income of $50,838
- Wilson School District is the largest employer in the Village (with 198 employees)