Existing Shared Services in Broome County

Please note that this is the services that have been reported by the town or municipalities, some have chosen not to participate.

Assessments

The Towns of Nanticoke and Lisle participate in a coordinated assessment program and share the services of an assessor.

The Towns of Deposit, Sanford, and Windsor all use the same assessor.

The Towns of Dickinson, Fenton, and Triangle all use the same assessor.

The Towns of Union and Conklin use the same assessor.

The Village of Port Dickinson and the Town of Dickinson use the same assessor.

The Village of Whitney Point and the Town of Triangle share an assessor.

Attorneys

The Town of Conklin and the Village of Johnson City use the same law firm's services.

The Towns of Union and Binghamton use the same law firm's services.

The Towns of Kirkwood, Dickinson, Triangle, Nanticoke, Maine, Colesville, Lisle, and Sanford, and the Villages of Port Dickinson, Windsor, Whitney Point, and Deposit all use the same law firm's services.

Bridges

Colesville and the Town of Windsor have signed an agreement to share the net costs of replacing the Ouaquaga Bridge which crosses over the Susquehanna River and connects Colesville and Windsor.

Code Enforcement

The Town of Dickinson and the Village of Windsor use the same Code Enforcement Officer. That person has also provided backup service in the Village of Port Dickinson.

The Village of Endicott's Code Enforcement Officer has also provided backup service in the Village of Windsor.

The Town of Nanticoke's Code Enforcement Officer has provided backup service in the Town of Barker.

The Towns of Sanford and Binghamton both use the same Code Enforcement Officer.

The Village of Johnson City and the Town of Union share code enforcement.

Courts

Town of Maine has authorized its two town justices to service as justices in the Town of Nanticoke from time to time to substitute for the Town of Nanticoke justice when he is unable to serve. A similar arrangement is in place between the Towns of Lisle and Triangle.

Village of Port Dickinson terminated its village court and transferred the functions to the Town of Dickinson.

The Village of Whitney Point shares a traffic court with the Town of Triangle.

Department of Motor Vehicles

The Broome County DMV has a pop-up office on Monday's in the Town of Colesville at the Eastern Broome Senior Center, on Tuesday's in the Town of Conklin Town Hall, on Wednesday's and Friday's in the Town of Triangle Town Hall, and Thursday's in the Town of Windsor Town Hall.

Dog Control

The Town of Dickinson and Chenango share the services of a Dog Control Officer under a cooperation agreement, and this officer further acts as backup in the Town of Barker when needed.

Town of Conklin and the Town of Binghamton provide dog control backup for each other.

The Town of Conklin and Town of Vestal share dog control services.

The Village of Whitney Point and Town of Fenton share dog control services.

The Town of Dickinson and the Town of Fenton share the services of a Dog Control Officer.

City of Binghamton, Town of Barker, Town of Chenango, Town of Conklin, Town of Dickinson, Town of Fenton, Town of Kirkwood, Town of Triangle, Town of Union, Town of Windsor contract with the Broome County Dog Shelter.

Electricity

Municipal Electric & Gas Alliance ("MEGA") is a not-for-profit local development corporation whose purpose is to assist its customers in "getting the benefits of reduced energy costs through the power of aggregated buying…" Among the participants are The County of Broome, City of Binghamton, the Towns of Maine, Colesville, Chenango, Dickinson, Union, and Vestal, and the Villages of Deposit, Johnson City, the Binghamton City School District, Harpursville Central School District, Maine-Endwell School District, Susquehanna Valley School District, Union-Endicott School District, and the Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Treatment Plant.

Broome County excepts responsibility for the lights on the Bevier St. Bridge located in the

The Village of Johnson City and City of Binghamton participate in a Master Electrical License Reciprocal.

Village of Endicott Light Department works with the Town of Union on bulb replacement.

Emergency Medical Services

The Village of Deposit provides ambulance service to the Town of Deposit, the Town of Sanford, and Scott Township, PA.

The Town of Afton shares ambulance service with the Towns of Colesville and Sanford.

The Village and Town of Marathon shares ambulance service with the Towns of Lapeer, Freetown, Virgil, and with a portion of the Town of Lisle.

The Town and Village of Windsor share an ambulance service.

The Maine Emergency Squad, Inc. furnishes ambulance service to both Towns of Maine and Nanticoke.

Engineers

The Village of Endicott shares engineering advising.

Equipment

After the fire at the Town of Barker highway garage, both Broome County and the Town of Maine loaned trucks to Barker, and other municipalities offered other assistance.

Town of Union has a rubber tire roller and excavator (bought with a grant from Tom Libus) maintained by the town but charges only charges an hourly rate to all municipalities within Broome County.

The Town of Windsor lets the Village of Windsor use a wood-chipper for brush removal.

The Village of Windsor uses the Town of Windsor's backhoe when needed, and roller for ball fields.

The Village of Windsor and Windsor schools share a backhoe and mowing equipment.

The Village of Windsor and the Town of Windsor share a spring-cleanup day for all equipment to compact roll offs.

The Village of Johnson City and the Town of Dickinson when needed.

The Village of Johnson City and the NYS Department of Transportation when needed.

The Village of Johnson City and Johnson City Schools when needed.

Facilities

Town of Binghamton and Susquehanna Valley School District have an agreement where SV uses a gas pump in exchange for facility use by the Town.

Susquehanna Valley School District and Conklin share athletic fields and gymnasium space.

The Village of Port Dickinson allows the Chenango Valley School District to use the Village Athletic Fields. The Port Dickinson Community Park has been the home field of the Chenango Valley Boys Baseball Team and the Girls Soccer Team for more than ten years. This has required the sharing of mowing and field maintenance services between the Village DPW and the School District's Department of Buildings and Grounds.

The Town of Kirkwood and the Count share hydro-seeding services at reduced cost.

The Town of Windsor allows the Village of Windsor to use the Highway Department garage when needed.

The NYS DEC is building a boat launch in the Village of Windsor using the combined resources and materials between the State and the Village, and contracting the Village for maintenance.

Broome County Library shares meeting rooms with many Broome County, SUNY Binghamton, and SUNY Broome agencies; along with housing Literacy Volunteers of Broome and Tioga Counties.

Broome County Library shares HOOPLA eBook audio, movies, and music with 8 other libraries in Broome County.

Village of Endicott Library is funded by a tax to all Town of Union residents.

The Town of Sanford Library is funded by an inter-municipal agreement.

Fire Inspections

Each school district is required by law to have fire inspections of its schools carried out by duly licensed building code inspectors. The Town of Kirkwood has a qualified employee who can do these inspections, and Kirkwood furnishes these services at no charge to the Susquehanna Valley School District. If this service is not provided by the local municipality, it would default to the county.

Fire Protection

The Village of Deposit Fire Department furnishes fire protection within the Town of Sanford, the Town of Deposit, and the Township of Scott, Pennsylvania.

Union Center Fire Company, whose headquarter are in the Town of Union, furnishes fire protection within a portion of the Town of Maine.

Glen Aubrey Fire Company, Inc., whose headquarters are in the Town of Nanticoke, furnishes fire protection within a portion of the Town of Maine.

Village of Port Dickinson Fire Department furnishes fire protection to a portion of the Town of Dickinson.

The Village of Whitney Point provides fire protection for portions of the Towns of Barker and Triangle.

The Town of Barker has contracts with volunteer fire departments of Chenango Forks, Castle Creek, and Triangle for fire and emergency services.

East Maine Fire Company, Inc., whose headquarters is in the Town of Maine, furnishes fire protection at the Broome County Landfill within the Towns of Nanticoke, Barker, and portions of the Town of Union.

Village of Windsor leases a building to the Windsor Fire Company, Inc., a 501© (3) not-for-profit corporation serving the Village, and portions of the Town of Windsor.

The Village of Lisle and the Town of Lisle share a village fire-hall.

Under various mutual aid arrangements, fire companies with headquarters in one town frequently provide fire protection within another town and are not paid for this protection, other than to receive assistance in return from the aided towns' fire companies when required.

Highway equipment and personnel/ Street Work

Broome County provides the Towns and villages with aid regarding rail repairs/replacements, road/street signs, road stripping, tree removal, and tractor trailer use at request of the municipalities. Currently road stripping in particular is used by the City of Binghamton and the Towns of Binghamton, Chenango, Dickinson, Fenton, Vestal, and Union.

Street work and snow removal are the topics of agreements between the Town of Triangle and the Village of Whitney Point. The Town provides personal and equipment to do the snow plowing in the Village, and the Town also does some street work in the Village.

The Town of Kirkwood provides water to the County at no charge for street sweeping.

Among the municipalities which have agreements in place to allow the sharing of highway equipment and personnel are:

- There is an internuncial agreement between the Town of Sanford and Village and Town of Deposit and Colesville to provide cooperative highway services;
- The Village of Lisle and the Town of Lisle (road patching, road salt storage, ditch-work, trucking stone, sign maintenance, and other repairs.);
- Towns of Kirkwood and Windsor;
- Towns of Kirkwood and Conklin;
- Towns of Kirkwood and Chenango;
- Towns of Colesville and Chenango;
- Village of Port Dickinson and Town of Dickinson;
- Village of Port Dickinson and the Town of Fenton (Road stripping contract);
- Town of Windsor and Village of Windsor;
- The Town of Dickinson and the Village of Johnson City;
- The Towns of Dickinson and Kirkwood;
- The Town of Dickinson and the City of Binghamton.
- The Town of Dickinson and the Town of Union;
- The Towns of Dickinson and Chenango;

Information Technology Services

Broome County provides IT services for:

- The Town of Windsor,
- City of Binghamton,
- Town of Chenango,
- Endicott Fire Department,
- Village of Endicott Police Department,
- Village of Port Dickinson Police Department,
- Village of Johnson City,
- Joint Binghamton-Johnson City Seward Board Website Hosting Services,
- CCSI Project-Br Co & Promise Zone Website Development & Maintenance Project,
- The Susquehanna Regional Emergency Medical Services Council, Inc.

Insurance

The New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal is a non-profit, licensed insurance company which enables participating municipalities to address loss exposures unique to local governments, receive risk assessments, participate in a risk management program, and obtain customized training. The subscribers in Broome County include the Towns of Dickinson, Sanford, Maine, Barker, Chenango, Fenton, Vestal, and Windsor; and the Village of Port Dickinson.

Joint Meetings

The Association of Towns and Villages in Broome County meets monthly, and shares ideas for cost savings and shared services.

The Upstate Towns Association meets monthly; shares ideas of cost savings.

The Towns of Barker, Lisle, Nanticoke, and Triangle; and the Villages of Whitney Point and Lisle; and the Whitney Point School District hold quarterly meetings to discuss further ways to cooperate and reduce costs.

The Court Clerks and Town Clerks have an association that meets monthly, and shares ideas for cost savings and shared services.

The Association of Highway Superintendents throughout the County meets monthly, and shares ideas for cost savings and shared services.

Landfill/ Garbage Removal

When Broome County expanded the Broome County Landfill to include property in the Towns of Maine, Nanticoke, and Barker; the Towns jointly hired one attorney and one engineering firm to advise them as they successfully negotiated a host community benefit agreement between the three towns and Brome County.

The Village of Endicott exchanges several homes with the Town of Union to avoid one street boundary concerns.

Parks

The Town of Windsor and the Village of Windsor have entered an agreement for the Town to do some work in the Village Park.

The Village of Endicott provides pool testing training.

The Village of Endicott shares mulch.

Planning

The Broome County Department of Planning has shared service agreements with the Towns of Maine, Binghamton, and Sanford providing comprehensive plan updates; and the City of Binghamton providing GIS services.

Police Dispatch

The Village of Port Dickinson, Town of Vestal, Village of Johnson City, Village of Endicott, Village of Deposit, and the City of Binghamton have each transferred their police dispatch functions to the County.

Police Protection

Maine leased a portion of its Town Hall to Broome County for use as a Sheriff's Department substation. The Town of Triangle provides a portion of its Town Hall to the State Troopers as a substation.

The Village of Johnson City shares police services with Binghamton University.

Southern Tier Cyber Predator Force- several municipalities.

Special Investigations Task Force – Johnson City, Binghamton, Endicott, Broome County

Printing

Town of Fenton uses the Broome County Print Shop to print the Town newsletter.

Purchasing

All the municipalities frequently take advantage of purchasing items pursuant to County or State bid, to secure a better price through volume purchasing.

Recreation Programs

The Towns of Kirkwood and Conklin have an agreement to provide joint summer recreation activities.

The Towns of Sanford and Deposit, and the Village of Deposit have a joint recreation facility.

Recycling

The Town of Sanford, Town of Deposit, and the Village of Deposit entered an agreement between themselves and Broome County whereby they provide an employee to manage and retain the recycling drop-off point in Deposit.

Sewage Treatment

The City of Binghamton and Village of Johnson City created the Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Treatment Board to operate the sewage treatment plant. Sewage is treated from the City of Binghamton, Village of Johnson City, Towns of Kirkwood, Vestal, Dickinson, Fenton, and the Village of Port Dickinson.

The Village of Endicott sewage treatment plant treats sewage from the Village of Endicott, Town of Union, and Town of Vestal.

The Town of Sanford has contracted with the Village of Deposit to operate the Town's sewer plant, so that only one set of operators' licenses and training is required.

Snow Removal

The Towns of Maine, Nanticoke, and Kirkwood each entered into agreements with Broome County to do snow plowing on various County highways.

Town of Maine and Town of Union have an agreement under which the Maine Highway Department performs plowing, sanding, and snow and ice removal on a portion of Cornell Hollow Road in the Town of Union; and the Union Highway Department performs plowing, sanding, and snow and ice removal on a portion of Boswell Hill Road in the Town of Maine.

The Towns of Kirkwood and Windsor have a similar agreement for cross-plowing of roads.

Susquehanna Valley School District and Conklin have traded lawn mowing equipment for snow plowing.

Chenango Forks School District, Chenango Valley School District, SUNY Broome, Town of Port Dickinson, and Broome County have an agreement whereby Broome County stores salt and loads trucks for snow removal.

Broome County Highway department utilizes seven NYSDOT sites as well as Town of Binghamton and Colesville for salt and/or salt-sand mix.

Village of Windsor, Town of Windsor, and Windsor School District assist one another in various snow removal tasks.

Broome County, Village of Endicott, and Town of Union have agreement where the County helps with snow removal.

The Village of Lisle and the Town of Lisle share snow-removal services when needed.

The Town of Dickinson provides snow and ice removal and control for County sidewalks along Glenwood Road and Prospect Street.

State Office Building, Edwin L. Crawford County Office Building and Binghamton City Hall

These Three Buildings, owned by different units of government, were all constructed on a shared foundation under a tripartite agreement between the State of New York, County of Broome, and City of Binghamton.

Surplus Equipment

The County of Broome annually conducts an auction in which municipalities can dispose of surplus equipment and retain the net proceeds.

SWAT

Town of Vestal, Binghamton Police, and Johnson City Police are all under the same SWAT Team.

The Village of Endicott and Broome County Sheriff's Office share a SWAT Team.

Tax Collection

The Towns of Conklin, Union, Port Dickinson, and the Villages of Windsor and Endicott, have authorized Broome County to collect Town and County real estate taxes within the Towns.

Town and Village Halls

The Town of Triangle rents space within the Town of Triangle Town Hall to the Village of Whitney Point.

The Village of Windsor mows the lawns at the Town of Windsor Town Hall and the Highway Department.

Water

A joint water supply has been created by an agreement between Town of Kirkwood and Town of Conklin. Kirkwood has a water supply in the Town, whereas Conklin did not have an adequate supply of water. Under the agreement, Conklin runs water lines across the Susquehanna River, Kirkwood sells water to Conklin, and Conklin avoids the expense of developing its own wells.

Residents of the Town of Dickinson are able to obtain water by virtue of agreements in place between the Town of Dickinson and the Town of Chenango, the Town of Dickinson and the Village of Johnson City, and the Town of Dickinson and the City of Binghamton.

The Village of Whitney Point owns a water system and sells water to residents of the Towns of Lisle and Triangle, and the Village of Lisle.

The Village of Port Dickinson allows the Town of Fenton to utilize the Village of Port Dickinson sewer lines to send effluent to the joint sewage treatment plant.

The Port Dickinson Public Works//Water/Sewer Departments have a Mutual Assistance Agreement with the Town of Fenton Water Department for Operations in Confined Space, allowing both municipalities to adhere to the minimum staffing requirements of OSHA without having to hire additional personal or contractors.

The Village of Windsor provides water to the Town of Windsor at no cost.

The Village of Windsor provides water repair support and potable water system support to the Windsor School District.

The Town of Union and Village of Endicott are in a water district together.

The Village of Endicott has a new water line to Vestal under Restore NY grants.

The Town of Dickinson has an internuncial agreement for town participation in Broome-Tioga MS4 coalition.

The Village of Johnson City and City of Binghamton participate in a Master Plumbing License Reciprocal.

Town of Dickinson has an agreement to install a new water line on SUNY Broome campus., and has previously installed grinder pumps.

Workers Compensation

The following are participants in the Broome County Workers' Compensation Self-Insured Plan:

Broome County
SUNY Broome
Broome County Soil & Water Conservation
Town of Barker
Town of Binghamton
Town of Chenango
Town of Colesville
Town of Conklin
Town of Lisle
Town of Maine
Town of Nanticoke
Town of Sanford
Town of Triangle
Town of Windsor
Village of Lisle
Village of Port Dickinson
Village of Whitney Point
Chenango Forks Fire
Town of Binghamton Stations 1, 2, and 3
Castle Creek Fire

Chenango Bridge Stations 1 and 2
Chenango Fire
Conklin Stations 1,2, and 3
Harpursville Stations 1 and 2
Ouaquaga Fire
Sanitaria Springs Fire
West Colesville Fire
Killawog Fire
Lisle Fire
East Maine Fire
Maine Fire Co.
Glen Aubrey Fire
Nanticoke Fire
Triangle Fire
West Windsor Fire
Port Dickinson Fire
Whitney Point Fire
Chenango Ambulance
Maine Ambulance

Available Broome County Shared Services

These are all the services that could be offered by the county to municipalities or other enities.

Employment and Training

- Provide job postings
- Job Postings of employment opportunities in the NYSDOL database
- Advertising of job postings on the radio on News Radio 1290
- Candidate matching for job postings (staffing services)
- Introduction to Civil Service Careers workshops (12/year)
- Job trainings

Emergency Services

- After Hours Answering Service
- Code Enforcement
- Fire Inspections

Information Technology

- Provide a variety of IT services to municipalities

Print Shop/Mailing

- Provide printing bids to all municipalities

Law

- Can aid departments and municipalities as needed in implanting their agreements.

Office of Management and Budget

- Can provide payroll services

Parks and Recreation and Youth Services

- List of all equipment that could be shared within municipalities

Personnel

- Can provide services to municipalities

Planning and Economic Development

- Can provide GIS services and comprehensive plan updates to municipalities

Public Works

- Can share engineering services with municipalities

Purchasing

- Can assist municipalities with getting a better deal by buying in bulk or advisement

Risk and Insurance

- Can provide workmen's compensation
- Hire us for safety trainings and consultations
- Claims? If law does lawsuit

Other ideas:

Grant Writer

Water/Sewer District

Sharing Holding Cells (Corrections)

MEGA

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Office of the Broome County Executive
Jason T. Garnar, County Executive

July 27th, 2017

Dear Chairman Dan J. Reynolds and Aaron Martin, Clerk of the Legislature:

As you are aware, New York State Governor Andrew Cuomo asked all the County Executives in New York State to draft a County-Wide Shared Services Initiative Plan to reduce property tax requires counties to assemble local governments to find reoccurring taxpayer savings. The County-Wide Shared Services Initiative, included in the enacted FY 2018 Budget, requires county officials to develop localized plans that find property tax savings by coordinating and eliminating duplicative services and propose coordinated services to enhance purchasing power. The property tax is the largest tax burden to the New York taxpayer, with the typical taxpayer paying 2.5 times more in property taxes than in income taxes. The goal of this new initiative is to save taxpayers money by identifying collaborative opportunities for shared services between as many local governments as possible.

Each county under law was required to:

1. **Establish a Shared Service Panel**

   The panel will include the mayor of each city or village and the supervisor of each town. A representative of a school district, board of cooperative education services, and/or special improvement district may be also invited to participate.

2. **Develop a Property Tax Savings Plan**
   The panel will develop a County-Wide Shared Service Property Tax Savings Plan to identify, propose and implement new actions to save taxpayers money through shared, coordinated and more efficient services between local governments within the county.

3. **Have Opportunity for State Match Funding**
   Plans that create actual and demonstrable savings across multiple jurisdictions may be eligible for a one-time match of the net savings resulting from new actions implemented pursuant to the Plan.

Broome County was ahead of all the other New York Counties and began assembling and holding meetings for a Broome County Shared Services Panel the first week in February 2017. Then in the 2018 State Budget, new guidelines were set forth and the members of the Panel that the county had assembled changed. We once again began holding meetings with the new panel. For a total of fifteen panel meetings and three public hearings.

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Also, attached to this document:

1. Timeline for the remainder of the plan
2. Existing Shared Services in Broome County
3. List of Responding Municipalities
3. Available Broome County Shared Services (services the county could share)
4. Spreadsheet of the proposed shared services to receive the match

The Panel is asking for recommendations and comments from the Broome County Legislative body by **August 18th, 2017**. Please keep in mind that Broome County will not be bound to any of the shared services that appear on the spreadsheet, these are simply ideas. If you would like to add a shared service that you think would benefit Broome County, School Districts or any of our 24 municipalities please let the County Executive office know, all ideas will be considered.

Jason T. Garnar
Broome County Executive

By my signature below, I hereby certify that the savings identified and contained herein are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Jason T. Garnar
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Shared Service Vote

September 14, 2017

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the Shared Services Report submitted to the Shared Services Panel submitted by Broome County Executive Jason Garnar.

As a panel member, my vote is _____.

My Reason for voting _____ is :

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Name (Printed) Signature

_____
Municipality

_____
Phone

NEW YORK STATE OF OPPORTUNITY

County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings Plan Summary

Appendix A

County of Broome	
County Contact: Kevin M. McManus / Faith Vavra	
Contact Telephone: (607) 778-2109	
Contact Email: kmcmanus3@co.broome.ny.us / fvavra@co.broome.ny.us	

Partners

Row 1 – (total # of) Cities in County

	Participating Cities	Panel Representative	Vote Cast (Yes or No)*
1.	City of Binghamton	Richard David	YES
2.			
3.			

Row 2 – (total # of) Towns in County

	Participating Towns	Panel Representative	Vote Cast (Yes or No)*
1.	Town of Windsor	Carolyn Price	YES
2.	Town of Vestal	W. John Shaffer	YES
3.	Town of Fenton	David Hamlin	YES
4.	Town of Union	Rose Sotak	YES
5.	Town of Chenango	Hal Snopek	YES
6.	Town of Barker	Lois Dilworth	YES
7.	Town of Dickinson	Micheal Marinaccio	YES
8.	Town of Binghamton	Timothy Whitesell	YES
9.	Town of Kirkwood	Gordi Kniffen	YES
10.	Town of Triangle	Charles Manassee	YES
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County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings Plan Summary

Appendix A

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Use Additional Sheets if necessary
*The written justification provided by each Panel Representative in support of his or her vote on the Plan is attached hereto, as Exhibit 1.

Row 3 – (total # of) Villages in County

	Participating Villages	Panel Representative	Vote Cast (Yes or No)*
1.	Village of Port Dickinson	Jim DeGenero	YES
2.	Village of Windsor	Ron Harting	YES
3.	Village of Endicott	Larry Coppola	YES
4.	Village of Lisle	Gerald Mackey	YES
5.	Village of Johnson City	Greg Deemie	YES
6.	Village of Whitney Point	Ryan Renyolds	YES
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Row 4 – (total # of) School Districts, BOCES, and Special Improvement Districts in County

	Participating School Districts, BOCES, and Special Improvement Districts	Panel Representative	Vote Cast (Yes or No)*
1.	NONE		
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NEW YORK STATE OF OPPORTUNITY

County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings Plan Summary

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Row 5	
2017 Local Government Property Taxes	**The sum total of property taxes levied in the year 2017 by the county, cities, towns, villages, school districts, BOCES, and special improvement districts within such county.**
	$423,328,201.84

Row 6	
2017 Participating Entities Property Taxes	**The sum total of property taxes levied in the year 2017 by the county, any cities, towns, villages, school districts, BOCES, and special improvements districts identified as participating in the panel in the rows above.**
	$203,186,145.00

Row 7	
Total Anticipated Savings	**The sum total of net savings in such plan certified as being anticipated in calendar year 2018, calendar year 2019, and annually thereafter.**
	$20,306,837.02

Row 8	
Anticipated Savings as a Percentage of Participating Entities property taxes	**The sum total of net savings in such plan certified as being anticipated in calendar year 2018 as a percentage of the sum total in Row 6, calendar year**

NEW YORK STATE OF OPPORTUNITY

County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings Plan Summary

Appendix A

	2019 as a percentage of the sum total in Row 6, and annually thereafter as a percentage of the sum total in Row 6.
	9.99%
Row 9	
Anticipated Savings to the Average Taxpayer	**The amount of the savings that the average taxpayer in the county will realize in calendar year 2018, calendar year 2019, and annually thereafter if the net savings certified in the plan are realized.**
	$236.12
Row 10	
Anticipated Costs/Savings to the Average Homeowner	**The percentage amount a homeowner can expect his or her property taxes to increase or decrease in calendar year 2018, calendar year 2019, and annually thereafter if the net savings certified in the plan are realized.**
	Less than 1%
Row 11	
Anticipated Costs/Savings to the Average Business	**The percentage amount a business can expect its property taxes to increase or decrease in calendar year 2018, calendar year 2019, and annually thereafter if the net savings certified in the plan are realized.**
	Less than 1%

CERTIFICATION

I hereby affirm under penalty of perjury that information provided is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. This is the finalized county-wide shared services property tax savings plan. The county-wide shared services property tax savings plan was approved on 9-14, 2017, and it was disseminated to residents of the county in accordance with the County-wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings Law.

Jason Garnar — County Chief Executive Officer

(Print Name)

(Signature) — September 15, 2017 (Date)

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Shared Services Initiative Panel and Town and Village 3rd Quarter Meeting
Meeting Agenda
Thursday, September 14th, 2017 12pm

6th Floor Legislative Conference Room
Edwin L. Crawford County Office Building

- Welcome
- Voting instructions on Broome County Shared Service Plan 2017
- VOTE
- Town and Village meeting to talk about Broome County Budget
- Comments/Closing

***** Public Announcement on Shared Service Plan
October 4th @5pm Broome County Library

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SHARED SERVICES MEETING SIGN- IN- SEPTEMBER 14, 2017

Name	Number	Municipality
John Schaffer	Vestal	
GORDY KNIFFEN	KIRKWOOD	
Carolyn Price	Windsor	
Jerry Machey	Village of Lisle	
Jim DeFemaro	Village of Port Dickinson	
Rose Sorak	Town of Union	
Hal Snopek	Town of Chenango	
Luiza Dilworth	Town BARKER	
Ron Harting	Village of Windsor	
Richard David	City of Binghamton	
Larry Coppola	Village Endicott	
Mike Marinaccio	Town of Dickinson	

Shared Service Vote

September 14, 2017

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the Shared Services Report submitted to the Shared Services Panel submitted by Broome County Executive Jason Garnar.

As a panel member, my vote is Yes.

My Reason for voting Yes is :

The Emergency Communications Project is vital to the safety of Broome County residents. The need is huge.

Carolyn W Price
Name (Printed)

Carolyn W Price
Signature

Town of Windsor
Municipality

607-655-2026
Phone

Shared Service Vote

September 14, 2017

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the Shared Services Report submitted to the Shared Services Panel submitted by Broome County Executive Jason Garnar.

As a panel member, my vote is Yes.

My Reason for voting Yes is :

I AM NOT IN FAVOR OF REGIONAL GOVERNMENT AND VESTAL IS NOT BOUND TO USE OTHER SHARED SERVICES. IT IS VERY HELPFUL TO HAVE AT OUR DISPOSAL.

W John Schaffer
Name (Printed)

Signature

Vestal
Municipality

607-205 5691
Phone

Shared Service Vote

September 14, 2017

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the Shared Services Report submitted to the Shared Services Panel submitted by Broome County Executive Jason Garnar.

As a panel member, my vote is Yes.

My Reason for voting _____ is :

David C. Hamlin
Name (Printed)

Signature

Town of Fenton
Municipality

607-648-4800 ext 7
Phone

Shared Service Vote

September 14, 2017

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the Shared Services Report submitted to the Shared Services Panel submitted by Broome County Executive Jason Garnar.

As a panel member, my vote is Yes.

My Reason for voting _____ is :

Rose A Sotak
Name (Printed)

Rose A Sotak
Signature

Town of Union
Municipality

786-2995.
Phone

Shared Service Vote

September 14, 2017

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the Shared Services Report submitted to the Shared Services Panel submitted by Broome County Executive Jason Garnar.

As a panel member, my vote is YES.

My Reason for voting Yes is :

So we don't go through this again !!!

Hal Snopek
Name (Printed)

Hal Snopek
Signature

Town of Chenango
Municipality

648-4809
Phone

Shared Service Vote

September 14, 2017

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the Shared Services Report submitted to the Shared Services Panel submitted by Broome County Executive Jason Garnar.

As a panel member, my vote is Yes.

My Reason for voting Yes is :

Belief in the concept and reality of shared services as a way of saving tax payer dollars and increasing efficiencies and synergies

Jim DeGennaro
Name (Printed)

J DeGennaro
Signature

Village of Port Dickinson
Municipality

607 725-4730
Phone

Shared Service Vote

September 14, 2017

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the Shared Services Report submitted to the Shared Services Panel submitted by Broome County Executive Jason Garnar.

As a panel member, my vote is Yes.

My Reason for voting Yes is :

to complete project not have to do it again next year.

Lois Dilworth
Name (Printed)

Lois Dilworth
Signature

Town of Barker
Municipality

607-648-6880
Phone

Shared Service Vote

September 14, 2017

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the Shared Services Report submitted to the Shared Services Panel submitted by Broome County Executive Jason Garnar.

As a panel member, my vote is AYE.

My Reason for voting AYE is :

I want to move this initiative forward.

Michael Mariarucio
Name (Printed)

Michael Mariarucio
Signature

TOWN OF Dickinson
Municipality

607-343-3485
Phone

Shared Service Vote

September 14, 2017

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the Shared Services Report submitted to the Shared Services Panel submitted by Broome County Executive Jason Garnar.

As a panel member, my vote is Aye.

My Reason for voting _____ is :

Move it forward. Get governor off our ass.

Timothy P Whitesell
Name (Printed)

Timothy P Whitesell
Signature

Town of Binghamton
Municipality

607-772-0357 Ext 11
Phone

Shared Service Vote

September 14, 2017

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the Shared Services Report submitted to the Shared Services Panel submitted by Broome County Executive Jason Garnar.

As a panel member, my vote is yes.

My Reason for voting yes is :

We wish to support efforts @ shared services and savings that can be achieved.

Name (Printed) Ron Harting

Signature Ron Harting

Municipality Mayor Village of Windsor

Phone 607-655-2024

Shared Service Vote

September 14, 2017

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the Shared Services Report submitted to the Shared Services Panel submitted by Broome County Executive Jason Garnar.

As a panel member, my vote is Yea.

My Reason for voting Yes is : best plan available
great work by staff.

Larry Coppola
Name (Printed)

Larry Coppola
Signature

Village of Endicott
Municipality

607-761-8873
Phone

Shared Service Vote

September 14, 2017

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the Shared Services Report submitted to the Shared Services Panel submitted by Broome County Executive Jason Garnar.

As a panel member, my vote is Yes.

My Reason for voting _____ is :

Richard L. David
Name (Printed)

Signature

City of Binghamton
Municipality

607-772-7001
Phone

Shared Service Vote

September 14, 2017

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the Shared Services Report submitted to the Shared Services Panel submitted by Broome County Executive Jason Garnar.

As a panel member, my vote is YES.

My Reason for voting _____ is :

HOPEFULLY SAVE TAXPAYERS MONEY

GERALD MACKEY Gerald Mackey
Name (Printed) Signature

VILLAGE OF LISLE
Municipality

607-692-3763
Phone

Shared Service Vote

September 14, 2017

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the Shared Services Report submitted to the Shared Services Panel submitted by Broome County Executive Jason Garnar.

As a panel member, my vote is YES.

My Reason for voting YES is :

I AGREE WITH THE LISTING

GORDI KNIFFEN
Name (Printed)

Signature

KIRKWOOD
Municipality

607 760-1849
Phone

Shared Service Vote

September 14, 2017

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the Shared Services Report submitted to the Shared Services Panel submitted by Broome County Executive Jason Garnar.

As a panel member, my vote is YES.

My Reason for voting YES is :

Sharing Services is a needed plan to look to save taxpayer dollars. Still needs more research for more savings. Still question the need to force through. Why not wait till next year?

Greg Deemie
Name (Printed)

Signature

JC
Municipality

343-6100
Phone

September 14, 2017

To Whom It May Concern:

I, Charles H Manasse, Supervisor of the Town of Triangle, Broome County, NY,

am voting in favor of Broome County's Shared Services Plan.

My reasons for voting for this plan include, but are not limited to, the following;

Supplying Governor Cuomo with information regarding the nature of, and extent of, Shared Services in Broome County. It seems that in the initial phases of the Governor's decisions he was not aware of many of them.

With this information, I hope he will review his initial thoughts and modify his policy toward upstate NY, and more particularly, Broome County.

In sharing this information, it is remarkable to me to see how much sharing of services actually exists, and that we have a mutual goal of providing the best, and affordable services to our constituencies.

Sincerely,

Charles H Manasse

Charles H Manasse,

Supervisor, Town of Triangle

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Legislature-approved shared services plan could be windfall for Broome County

By Trish Kilgannon
Updated Thursday, September 14, 2017 at 07:08 PM EDT

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BINGHAMTON, N.Y. – County leaders and the public had their first official look tonight at Broome County Executive Jason Garnar's proposed 2018 budget with a $375 million pricetag, but earlier in the day, lawmakers made a decision that will have a big impact on the county's budget next year.

Town supervisors and mayors unanimously approved a shared services plan that could save the county $20 million, a move Garnar has supported since taking office earlier this year.

For three years, the state comptroller's office has called Broome County "severely fiscally stressed." Garnar said he inherited significant financial issues, but he believes this budget puts the county on the right track.

"This budget presents opportunity, opportunity to get Broome County back to where it needs to be financially. It's about moving forward, and I'm not stopping until we get to where we need to be," Garnar said.

Earlier this year, he instituted a hiring freeze that saved the county $350,000, and his 2018 budget would further efficiencies within county government.

"The county executive had one goal in mind, and that was to find as many ways as we could save taxpayers money through cost efficiencies and government effectiveness," said Deputy County Executive Kevin McManus.

The spending plan would raise property taxes by 1.84 percent, below the state's tax cap.

There's a focus on public safety, with additional positions for the sheriff's office, DA's office and the Office of Emergency Services.

Garnar wants to set aside money to fight the drug crisis by hiring a new public health coordinator focused on drug prevention, and a grant for community agencies.

Garnar will work with the legislature in the coming weeks to develop a final budget.

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The shared services plan now goes to Albany for state approval. If the projects are approved, the county could be eligible for $20 million in matched aid from the state.

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Broome County Shared Services Initiative gets unanimous vote

By Monika Hammer CONNECT
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(WBNG) – After months of meetings and discussions, the Shared Services Initiative in Broome County has passed.

Leaders from all across Broome County headed to downtown Binghamton Thursday for a meeting to cast their votes All in attendance voted unanimously to pass the initiative. Thirteen votes were needed for it to pass, and 15 were cast.

The initiative was originally mandated by New York Governor Andrew Cuomo. It's part of his 2018 budget plan - requiring every county find ways to save taxpayers money.

"We have some very talented people leading our towns and villages, and they've done a great job over the years of trying to find efficiencies, as I said this codifies some of those agreements and it brings people around the table to find more ways that we can find government efficiencies," Kevin McManus, the Deputy Executive of Broome County, said.

Before the votes were cast, those in attendance did have some questions. Many surrounded the Broome County legislature and its role in the process.

"Since the law changed in April it then mandated us just to have just the leaders of the towns and municipalities, thus eliminating the legislature from anything but providing recommendations and comments," McManus explained.

Now that the vote is in, it'll move forward to the state level.

"We put the plan forth to Albany and we try to examine and dial down what exactly the savings is per taxpayer and per business in each municipality," McManus said.

Since Broome County was able to successfully put together a plan in the first year of the program, leaders say the county is eligible for some additional funding.

"There could be matching funds, were certainly hopeful, there is, everyday we try to make sure that we can maximize all the revenue that we could find and if the states willing to send us some we'll be happy to take it," McManus added.

The total savings in the plan is about $20 million. Some of the key programs to get to that amount include a new emergency communications project, caseworker positions in schools, and a pharmacy prescription program.

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Why NY municipalities may share more services

Joseph Spector, Albany Bureau Chief Published 3:02 p.m. ET Sept. 8, 2017 | **Updated 3:38 p.m. ET Sept. 8, 2017**

(Photo: Tania Savayan/The Journal News)

ALBANY — Broome County municipalities are hoping they can save $18 million by sharing costs for emergency radio towers, and the county and Binghamton schools may place caseworkers in the schools to save money for both sides.

The ideas are among thousands that local governments across the state will consider implementing in the coming months after a state law passed in April required municipalities to find ways to share services and cut costs — aimed at lowering property taxes in one of the most expensive states in the nation.

The measure was included in the state budget this year (/story/news/politics/politics-on-the-hudson/2017/04/11/shared-service-plan-roils-municipalities/100339950/) at the urging of Gov. Andrew Cuomo, who has continually pressed local officials to find ways to save money and cut property taxes.

The shared-services plans are due to the state Sept. 15, and about a dozen counties said they will be unable to meet the deadline, saying they will submit their plans in 2018, which is allowed by state law.

►**Shared-service plan roils municipalities (/story/news/politics/politics-on-the-hudson/2017/04/11/shared-service-plan-roils-municipalities/100339950/)**

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Why share?

County executives or managers, who are required to lead the effort, could opt their county out of the law, but there's a financial incentive to participate: Any savings realized will be matched in state aid.

Those that have completed the work said they hope to find millions of dollars in savings, but at the same time, some of them complained about Cuomo mandating it — saying they were already working together to find efficiencies.

Dutchess County has a "strong plan that talks really about the need for municipalities to work together and partner," said County Executive Marc Molinaro, a Republican and potential gubernatorial candidate against the Democratic governor next year. "We also recognize and made clear that we don't need the state dictating this to us. We are able to achieve it on our own."

Still, Broome County said it hopes to save $20 million through its efforts (http://www.gobroomecounty.com/node/57673).

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"The goal of this new initiative is to save taxpayers money by identifying collaborative opportunities for shared services between as many local governments as possible," County Executive Jason Garnar wrote in the county's plan.

State response

Local governments should always be looking for ways to find savings, said Morris Peters, a spokesman for the state Budget Division, which will accept the local plans.

"We know of no government at any level that has achieved maximum efficiency, and it's a little absurd for a local official to suggest theirs is a Swiss watch," said Peters, adding state agencies do so also.

If counties do not submit plans by 2018, they "will have to explain to their voters why property tax bills are so high," Peters continued.

Counties have held public hearings to discuss the plans that were developed by a panel of local officials; the county's governing body could offer suggestions but didn't need to vote on the plans.

Another hearing needs to be held by Oct. 15.

Westchester County said it has saved $55 million in recent years through government partnerships and hopes to find more through its shared-services plan (http://westchestercountyny.iqm2.com/Citizens/Detail_LegiFile.aspx?ID=10346&highlightTerms=draft%20shared%20services) that was presented last month.

"Sharing services in Westchester County is nothing new," said Jerry McKinstry, a spokesman for County Executive Rob Astorino, who ran against Cuomo in 2014 and may again next year. "The county is committed to scrutinizing every dollar spent and finding savings wherever it can as evidenced by the draft shared services plan."

Looking to 2018

Rockland County, though, said it will not submit a plan this year and will do so next year.

The county convened its shared-services panel and created a preliminary report (http://rocklandgov.com/files/4115/0176/7468/RocklandSharedServicesReport.pdf) after public hearings, but said it would wait until next year to formulate its final plan. Local governments can get the matching funds from the state next year.

"We only have one chance to qualify for funds from the state to match our savings — the proverbial one bite at the apple," Rockland County Executive Ed Day said in a statement Sept. 1. "Faced with a choice of responding this year or next, we determined that rushing to meet an unrealistic timeline for this year was not in the best interest of Rockland County taxpayers."

The same is true in nearly a dozen counties that will wait until next year.

"I think we've done more than any county in the state" in sharing services over the years, said Chemung County Executive Thomas Santulli. "And now we are just looking to see what the next venture is" in 2018.

Counties faced a quick turnaround to meet the state's deadlines this year, but Cuomo initially wanted to hold a public vote this November on the plans. The referendum proposal was scrapped in the final deal with the state legislature.

Cuomo has urged local governments to do more to limit property taxes after he led an effort in 2011 to implement a tax cap.

This is the second time since 2015 that local governments had to find ways to cut costs. Two years ago, the state required all schools and municipalities (/story/news/education/2015/10/14/efficiency-plans-schools-municipalities/73936754/) to develop efficiency plans for homeowners to be eligible for a tax rebate program.

Stephen Acquario, executive director of the state Association of Counties, said unfunded state mandates are what is driving local property taxes, and he questioned how much savings can be found in the latest effort to lower costs to homeowners.

Cutting property taxes "was the stated purpose of this, but it remains unclear today if this will be, in fact, achieved," he said.

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Shared Services Initiative Plan submitted in Broome County

By Monika Hammer CONNECT
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BINGHAMTON (WBNG) -- Broome County Executive Jason Garner expects municipalities to save $20 million with the new Shared Services Initiative Plan.

"The plan has been submitted to the Broome County Legislature for comment and will be returned to our office by August 18th," Garnar said Thursday.

It's part of New York Governor Andrew Cuomo's 2018 budget plan, that requires every county find ways to save taxpayers money. The Governor has asked counties to identify opportunities where local governments can work together.

"It was a real great honor to work with our mayors and our supervisors and our school district officials to be able to craft a plan to put forward," Garnar explained.

Garnar highlighted three main proposals in the plan Thursday. The one expected to save the most money is a plan for new emergency radio towers for municipalities. The project has the potential to save $18 million.

"This is something that truly every municipality all the fire departments, police and EMS agencies use," Michael Ponticiello, the Director of the Broome County Department of Emergency Services said.

Also included, a project partnering the Broome County Department of Social Services and the Binghamton City School District. Officials say that would potentially saving $255,000. They said they will be discussing the details of this project next week.

A Pharmacy Prescription Coalition could also save $1 million.

"Pharmacy coalition would allow the county to aggregate purchasing power, to negotiate better pricing, better quality service and affordable prices," Tom Dellapenna, of the Broome County Risk and Insurance Department said.

Garnar said the county could even see more money from the state.

"There's also the possibility that the state would match our first year savings if all these projects are officially voted on and implemented," Garnar explained.

Meaning $40 million more in Broome County. Garnar also said he thinks no jobs are in jeopardy with the initiative.

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Public opinion sought on Broome County shared services

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BINGHAMTON, N.Y. - Broome County Executive Jason Garnar was looking to solicit public opinion on shared services, but only one person showed up to speak.

A public hearing on shared services was held Wednesday morning at the George F Johnson Library in Endicott from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Garnar has been taking in ideas and suggestions from the public to find ways for local municipalities to share services.

The initiative was passed by state lawmakers and the state will match the savings created as a result of consolidating.

Wednesday's meeting lasted only a few minutes with Union-Endicott School Board member Joe Ozvold asking if there was anything more school districts could do to contribute.

A committee made up of town supervisors, mayors and school superintendents is working to create the plan as well.

Garnar says that while the public has a lot to contribute, supervisors, mayors and department heads also have a lot of insight to offer.

"Municipal leaders are right in the trenches.They're working every day. They have a good idea of services that they can and can't share. I think because they're in it every day, they probably have more ideas on how to share services," Garnar.

One more public meeting will be held in the next two weeks.

Garnar has to submit a plan to the legislature by August 1st.

He says it will mainly be an expansion of services already shared, and he has no plans to consolidate any villages or towns.

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Poor Turnout for Broome County Shared Services Public Meeting

By Vince Briga
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SPECTRUM NEWS VIDEO: In just a few weeks, county legislatures across the state will be tasked with voting on a shared services plan. But in some communities, officials are dealing with a lack of interest. Broome County held its second meeting Wednesday in Endicott -- which featured just one speaker. The first, just a few weeks back, had only two. But Broome County Executive Jason Garnar remains confident, saying one reason for the poor attendance could be because the county already shares a number of services throughout the region, of which the public is well aware. The state will match any amount of money municipalities save through shared services in 2018.

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Broome County announces plans for Shared Services panel

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BINGHAMTON (WBNG) – Broome County Executive Jason Garnar on Tuesday announced efforts to work with local municipalities as part of Governor Andrew Cuomo's new Shared Services Property Tax Savings Plan.

According to Garnar (D), he will Chair the new Shared Services panel in Broome County, under the new guidelines established in the recently approved New York State Budget.

Garnar said the panel will be comprised of the Mayor or Supervisor from each city, town and village in Broome County. School districts are also invited to send a representative.

"It is important to get people in a room to discuss ways to save taxpayer money," Garnar said in a statement. "The goal is to have a plan that works for everyone in Broome County."

The first meeting of the Shared Services panel will be Thursday, April 13 at 10 a.m. at Cornell Cooperative Extension on Front St.

The public is invited to make recommendations at a public meeting on Thursday, April 20 in the Decker Room of the Broome County Library from 5 to 7 p.m.

If the plan is approved, it will be presented to the public in September, according to the County.

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Gov. Cuomo, in Vestal, talks shared services and property taxes

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VESTAL (WBNG) – Governor Andrew Cuomo visited the Binghamton University campus Tuesday to discuss his plans for the Southern Tier.

Governor Cuomo addressed the need for the local governments in Broome County to team up in order to save spending costs and lower property taxes for the middle class.

"If you want to help the middle class, let's start by cutting taxes and taking less money out of their pockets," Cuomo (D) said.

The Governor said it all starts with local governments sharing services.

"You have 196 governments in Broome County, they have never come together they have never come up with a uniform plan and said let's see what services we can share," Cuomo said.

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He commended Broome County Executive Jason Garnar for his efforts to lower property taxes. Another topic addressed was issue the millionaires' tax.

"The Senate Republicans want to keep a lot of the millionaire's tax – to drop from 8 percent to 6 percent and change," Cuomo said.

Funds that he say could make or break New York as a whole.

"If we lose the money from the millionaires tax it is going to have a devastating impact on the state not just this year but going forward," Cuomo said.

Other projects he discussed were ridesharing services coming to Upstate New York and improvements to the Southern Tier Regional Welcome Center.

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Broome County Proposed Shared Services

Shared Service	Participants	Cost to Mun. /School	County Cost	Savings	Notes
Emergency Communications Projec	All Municipalities	$52,693,500	$34,032,500	$18,661,000	County Cost includes combined savings by sharing Overall Project Costs by Municipality
Caseworkers in School	Binghamton City Schools	$365,567.02	0	$255,897.02	School Dist Saves $255,897 for 6 caseworker positions through County Shared Service by paying local share of $109,670
	Union Endicott Public Scho	$100,000	0	$70,000	School Dist saves $70,000 for 2 caseworker positions through County Shared Service by paying local share of $30,000
Pharmacy Prescription Program	BOCES	0	$15,700,000	$1,000,000	Broome County Costs potentially reduced by $1,000,000 by participating in Keenan Coalition via BOCES
					County Currently Spends $15,700,000 on prescription costs through express scripts
Insurance	Risk and Insurance	n/a	n/a	n/a	Health Care Consortium
					Current Legislation in State House/Senate will enable such a plan
Binghamton University	District Attorney's Office	0	$10,000	$10,000	Saves the County $10,000 with Forensics Accountant intern, compared to salary employee performing duties
	Arena	0	$10,000	$10,000	Saves the County $10,000 with Research Project Grant intern, compared to salary employee performing duties
	Public Transportation	0	$10,000	$10,000	Saves the County $10,000 with Research Project Grant intern, compared to salary employee performing duties
	Emergency Services	0	$10,000	$10,000	Saves the County $10,000 with Research Project Grant intern, compared to salary employee performing duties
County Tax Collection	Maine Endwell School District		n/a	$15,040	Broome County collects taxes for school district
	Union Endicott District		n/a	$23,886	Broome County collects taxes for school district
Park Maintained (Memorial Park)	City of Binghamton	$2,480	$0	$2,480	Shared Service with Broome County saves City of Binghamton $2,480 in Mowing Fees and Costs
					Current agreement - Will formalize
Park Maintained (Otsiningo Park)	Town of Chenango	$0	$12,214	$12,214	Shared Service with - Town Of Chenango - County Saves $12,214 in mowing ball fields
	Broome County	$30,720	$0	$30,720	Shared Service with Broome County - Town of Chenango saves $30,720 in costs and fees for Mowing and Bathroom Maintenance
					Current Agreements will Formalize
Sport Fields	City of Binghamton	$300	$0	$300	Shared Service with Broome County - The City of Binghamton is saving $300 renting fields for leagues
					Current Agreement will Formalize
Park Maintenance (Choconut Dog p	Town of Union	$0	$24,800	$24,800	Shared Service with Town of Union - Broome County saves $24,800 in park maintenance, Town of Union Maintains park
					Current Agreement will Formalize
Movie Screen	New York State Park	$1,500	$0	$1,500	Shared Service with New York State - Broome County Saves $1500.00 that would cost to rent a screen for $300 (5 times)
					Current Agreement will Formalize
Shared Water Line Construction	One Stop Shop SUNY Broome		n/a	$64,000	Town of Dickinson, SUNY Broome and County - 3 way agreement to install waterline on SUNY Broome campus due to
					construction of THE AGENCY building. Saving the county 2/3's of the cost. The Town of Dickinson performed the work.
					County will save $64,000
Court Consolidation	Town of Conklin	$85,000	$0	$60,000	Town of Kirkwood is taking over the Town of Conklin Courts - Savings to Conklin $60,000, Revenue to Kirkwood $25,000
Performance Stage	Available to All	$60,000	$15,000	$45,000	Broome County owns stage and rents it to municipalities for $1000 15 times per year
					If the municipalities rented it from another source it would cost (approx.) $4000 for 15 times per year
					Savings of $45,000 for municipalities that use the stage
TOTAL PROJECTED SAVINGS				$20,306,837.02	