

Tax Commission

FY 2023 Budget Hearing Presentation

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The **Oklahoma Tax Commission (OTC)**, as an agency, administers the collection and distribution of 76 different taxes, licenses and fees. It is the OTC's statutory duty to apportion such revenues to the various state funds and to allocate directly to local units of government certain state-collected levies earmarked to counties, school districts and municipalities. Under contract with individual municipalities, the OTC is responsible for administration, collection and distribution of local sales and use tax levied by the cities and towns of Oklahoma. Founded in 1931, this agency now encompasses the following divisions:

Headquarters Administration Innovation **Business Tax Services Digital Communications & Marketing Income Tax Accounts Taxpayer Resources** Ad Valorem **Central Processing Tax Policy & Research Business Operations** Human Resources **Apportionment & Revenue** Information Technology Legal **Audit Services** Collections Motor Vehicle

Agency Vision, Mission and Core Values

Vision:

Be the benchmark for all stakeholders, all individuals and organizations who have a vested interest in the OTC: Stakeholders use the OTC as their example of the state's most proactive, fair and equitable agency that consistently exceeds its customers' expectations.

For taxpayers, those individuals and organizations who are required to comply with the tax laws of the State of Oklahoma by filing applicable returns, reports and other required information: Taxpayers perceive the OTC as the most accessible, informative, responsive and customer-friendly agency in the State of Oklahoma

For Peers, revenue agencies outside of Oklahoma with whom we share interests, processes and common responsibilities: Peers say "Oklahoma" every time they look for the most forward-thinking, trend setting, knowledgeable and customer-friendly revenue agency.

For Employees, those individuals who work as permanent employees of the OTC: Employees recognize the agency as the best place to work in the State of Oklahoma.

Mission: To serve the people of Oklahoma by promoting tax compliance through quality service and fair administration.

Core Values:

Fairness: We have an obligation to ensure that our customers pay no more or less than they owe.

Quality: We strive to do all of our work right the first time.

Service: We owe our customers quality service each time, all the time.

Responsiveness: Our duty is to provide clear, concise, correct and quick communication to all of our customers.

Communication: We actively encourage an open exchange and sharing of information with customers and co-workers alike.

Teamwork: Each one of us is responsible for cultivation of an "I will not let my teammate fail" attitude. We believe our employees are our most important resource.

Creativity: We aggressively foster a creative environment in order to identify the most appropriate solution for each and every problem we face.



Accomplishments & Challenges

Top accomplishments for FY 2021

- 1) Improved Motor Vehicle e-Services with an upgrade to the OneLink system to expand services and add intuitive self-service options.
- 2) Reduced mail, mail expense and improved taxpayer reach with the initiation of a closed loop mailing system; increased availability of online reports, i.e., 1099-G, W-2 history retrieval, etc.
- 3) Combined OKC workforce into one office location, reducing lease expense and improving collaboration and relocated a new centralized Taxpayer Resource Center providing services of multiple state agencies.
- 4) Provided a solution for taxpayers to receive refunds due to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. A data sharing agreement with the OESC enabled an automated process to adjust returns.
- 5) Launched two new websites an external Adobe mobile-friendly website with predictive search tools and interactive resources, and an internal intranet.

Challenges (current & upcoming years)

- 1) Recruitment and retention of qualified employees.
- 2) The 2021 legislative session resulted in administration and implementation of 104 bills with an estimated administrative cost of \$2.9M.



Goals & Projects for FY 2023

Goals

- 1) Implement a process to routinely issue wage garnishment for unpaid tax liabilities while accounts are in the initial stages of collection to reduce outsourcing expenses and increase state revenue.
- 2) The OTC will be the first to implement a new and improved fraud prevention platform (FIVS) for individual income tax for the 2021 tax filing season.
- 3) Launch new management tools and reporting with an OneLink upgrade to processes and workflows to include new tax types for online filing and reports for individual income, franchise and corporate accounts.
- 4) Invest in labor force through career and leadership development initiatives.

Projects

- 1) Focus on enhancing the taxpayer experience both in person and via its web presence through convenient services and taxpayer-focused initiatives. One such initiative is the implementation of customer feedback surveys that will allow the OTC to pinpoint areas for improvement in the taxpayer experience and potential for new online services.
- 2) Implementation of new legislation which includes Motor Vehicle electronic lien and titling, a single plate system for taxpayer convenience, and incorporating new KPMs to ensure success.
- 3) Launch an online appointment application and queue system to streamline customer flow with guest check-in and efficient service fulfillment.



Savings & Efficiencies

- Combining the Oklahoma City workforce into a single location with the purchase of nine floors in the SandRidge Energy Tower improved the efficiencies and effectiveness of the workforce, enhancing the agency culture and creating fiscal efficiencies with the elimination of \$1,923,529 in annual, reoccurring lease expenses.
- Provided taxpayers access to OTC 1099-G tax documents online, reducing the cost of postage and printing. 3,300 taxpayers opted in for paperless in a single month.
- The OTC introduced e-Correspondence through OkTAP allowing taxpayers to opt-in to go paperless. Within 60 days, 20% of OkTAP taxpayers elected to opt-in.
- Achieved 55.97% increase in state revenue recovered from notice to show cause hearings.
- The OTC leverages statewide contracts to ensure the best value is attained in all acquisitions. Furthermore, the OTC continues to realize savings due to a reduction in the number of temporary employees required during peak season as a result of process and equipment improvements.
- Continued to work cooperatively with other state agencies to exchange data, including new Interagency Agreements with the Department of Public Safety, Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs, and the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission allowing agencies to more efficiently carry out their statutory obligations and implement new legislation.



Historic Actual Expenditures (FY 17-21) and Current Year Budget (FY 22)

*Pass-through funds are not expended for the general operations of the agency.

**Initial FY22 budget does not include the Ad Valorem Reimbursement FY22 obligation to counties and schools, which has averaged \$139.5M over the previous 5 years, due to data availability.







FY 2022 Budgeted Full Time Equivalents (FTE)

| | FY 2022 Budgeted FTE |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Total FTE | 677 |
| Supervisor FTE | 130 |
| Supervisors to Total FTE Ratio (%) | 19.2% |

Appropriation History

| Fiscal Year | Appropriation (\$) (include supplemental if applicable) |
|-------------|--|
| FY 2018 | 42,733,616 |
| FY 2019 | 45,525,057 |
| FY 2020 | 46,678,127 |
| FY 2021 | 43,177,267 |
| FY 2022 | 43,844,417 |

Five-Year Appropriation History \$50.0M \$46.7M \$45.5M \$43.8M \$43.2M \$45.0M \$42.7M \$40.0M \$35.0M \$30.0M \$25.0M \$20.0M \$15.0M \$10.0M \$5.0M \$0.0K \$0.0K \$0.0K \$0.0K \$0.0K FY 2018 FY 2019 FY 2020 FY 2021 FY 2022 Appropriation Supplemental



Appropriated Carryover History and Justification

| | | FY 2017 (Actuals) | FY 2018 (Actuals) | FY 2019 (Actuals) | FY 2020 (Actuals) | FY 2021 (Actuals) | FY 2022 (Planned) |
|---|--|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Total appropriated amount expen | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Fiscal Year of the original appropriation | Projected amo carried over FY 2023 (\$ | to | Descri | be how projected ca | rryover will be used | l in FY 2023 | |
| FY 2022 | 0 | | | | | | |
| FY 2021 | 0 | | | | I | | |
| Total projected FY 23 Carryover (\$) | 0 | | | | | | |



Available Cash Description and Justification

| Class Fund # | Available Cash amount (\$) |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| 200 | \$18,260,165 |
| 215 | \$12,253,318 |
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| Total Available Cash: | \$30,513,483 |

Available cash is unbudgeted cash that is not restricted by federal partners, statute, or contractual obligations.

| Fiscal Year | Agency's plan to deploy available cash (include amounts): | | |
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| Add additional software to enhance e-Services available to taxpayers - \$5,000,000; MOVEit software enhancement to requirement for secure file transfer program - \$90,000; Closed Loop Mailing to reduce current postage rate and reduce associated with returned mail - \$110,000; Capital Account Revolving Fund to maintain owned space -\$4,480,000; Sala retention plan to reduce turnover and retain existing talent - \$500,000; Implementation of new 2021 legislation such titling and single plate administrative costs - minimum of \$2,900,000. | | | |
| FY 2023 Add additional software to enhance e-Services available to taxpayers - \$2,000,000; Salary adjustment retention plan to r and retain existing talent - \$325,000; Implementation of new 2021 legislation such as electronic liens, titling and single p administrative costs – minimum of \$290,000. | | | |
| FY 2024 | Add additional software to enhance e-Services available to taxpayers - \$2,000,000; Salary adjustment retention plan to reduce turnover and retain existing talent - \$325,000. | | |



Agency Key Performance Metrics

| Metric | | Goal | FY 20 Actuals | FY 21 Actuals | FY 22 Target | FY 23 Target |
|--------|---------------------------------|---|------------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1 | Motor Vehicle Renewals | Increase annual motor vehicle license tag renewals for increased state revenue. | 304,389 | 396,715 | 456,222 | 501,844 |
| 2 | Annual Income Tax Filing Rate | Increase individual income tax filing to maximize state revenue. | 1,829,882 | 2,084,607 | 2,147,145 | 2,211,559 |
| 3 | Annual Business Tax Filing Rate | Increase business tax filing to maximize state revenue. | 231,931 | 238,495 | 243,265 | 248,130 |
| 4 | Audit Value of Assessment | Increase state revenue through improved tax filing compliance rates through taxpayer education, the audit process and voluntary disclosure agreements or, self-reporting. | \$115,129,452 | \$112,306,288 | \$135,525,941 | \$163,609,460 |
| 5 | Return Processing Time | Decrease return processing time by increasing online return filing through simplification of the filing process for taxpayers. | 20.09 days | 16.14 days | 16.00 days | 15.75 days |



Budget & Supplemental Request Summary

| Request Name | | FY 23 Appropriated Request Amount (\$) | Type of Request: Operating, One-time, or Supplemental |
|--------------|---|---|---|
| 1 | Reimbursement of funds to support statewide REAL ID initiative. | \$4M | One-Time |
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(1) Budget Request

| One-Time Reimbursement | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Type: One-Time | \$ 4,000,000 for FY 2023 | | | |
| Reimbursement of funds to support | statewide REAL ID initiative. | | | |
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* Duplicate these slides as needed to describe all requests.

