# NASSAU COUNTY TOBACCO SETTLEMENT CORPORATION

**2016 BUDGET** 

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# **BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2016**

#### Introduction

The Nassau County Tobacco Settlement Corporation (the "Corporation") herein presents the budget of the Corporation for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2016 (the "2016 Budget") in accordance with New York State (the "State") Public Authorities Law §2801(2).

On November 23, 1999, the Corporation, a local development corporation organized under the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law of the State, issued \$294,500,000 of its Tobacco Settlement Asset-Backed Bonds, Series A (the "1999 Tobacco Bonds") to finance its purchase pursuant to a Purchase and Sale Agreement (the "Sale Agreement") of all of the County of Nassau's (the "County") future right, title and interest under the master settlement agreement (the "MSA") entered into by participating cigarette manufacturers (the "PMs"), the State, forty-five other states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the United States Virgin Islands, American Samoa and the Northern Marianas Islands (the "Settling States") in November 1998 in settlement of certain smoking-related litigation, and the Consent Decree and Final Judgment entered in State Supreme Court for New York County (the "Consent Decree"), including the right to receive certain initial and annual payments (the "tobacco settlement revenues" or "TSRs") to be made by the PMs under the MSA. The 1999 Tobacco Bonds were not a debt or liability of the County and were secured primarily by the TSRs to be received by the Corporation by virtue of the Sale Agreement.

Pursuant to the Sale Agreement, the County received \$247,500,000 from the Corporation on November 23, 1999 (the "1999 Sale Proceeds"), as partial consideration of the sale of its interests under the MSA and the Consent Decree, the balance of such consideration being received in the form of a 100% beneficial interest in a residual trust (the "Residual Trust") in the TSRs that were not required to pay various expenses, debt service or required reserves for the 1999 Tobacco Bonds or subsequent Corporation bonds.

On April 5, 2006, the Corporation issued \$431,034,245.85 of its Tobacco Settlement Asset-Backed Bonds, Series 2006 (the "2006 Tobacco Bonds") a portion of the proceeds of which were used to defease the 1999 Tobacco Bonds and to generate approximately \$119.9 million in proceeds for the County from its beneficial interest in the Residual Trust. TSRs received by the County from April 5, 2006 through March 31, 2008 were not pledged to the holders of the 2006 Tobacco Bonds. The County has appropriated and is expected to continue to appropriate such 2006 Tobacco Bonds proceeds to finance various capital projects or designated operating expenses of the County or NHCC. The 2006 Tobacco Bonds are not a debt or liability of the County and are secured primarily by the TSRs pledged to and to be received by the Corporation.

The Corporation has no employees and has not issued debt subsequent to the 2006 Tobacco Bonds. Consequently, it is expected to have limited activity during 2016, consisting primarily of receiving TSRs and making debt service and related payments as required in connection with the 2006 Tobacco Bonds. Other expenditures include rating agency fees, trustee fees, administrative fees, D&O insurance, reporting services and auditing and bookkeeping fees.

## Overview of the 2016 Budget

# **Revenue (Estimated Receipts)**

The Corporation typically has two sources of revenue in its Budget: annual TSR payments and investment income, which together are projected to total \$18,545,443 in 2016.

#### **TSR Payments**

The Corporation's primary source of revenue is the annual TSR payments, which are budgeted to be \$18,542,443 in 2016. This reflects a 0.3% decrease from the projected 2015 amount of \$18,598,238.

On October 20, 2015, the State Attorney General's Office announced that a dispute has been resolved between the State and major tobacco companies that will release \$550 million to the State, New York City and other counties in the State. Based on current projections, the Corporation would receive the County's share of \$15,064,500 in accordance with the Sale Agreement. However, it is unclear as to when the funds will be disbursed, and therefore they have not been included in either the 2015 Projected or 2016 Budget amounts.

#### **Interest Income**

The Corporation earns investment income on the Senior Liquidity Reserve Account, which is invested in shares of an investment fund which invests in short-term U.S. Treasury securities and in repurchase agreements backed by U.S. Treasury securities. Investment income in 2016 is projected to be \$3,000.

#### **Expenditures**

The Corporation's total expenses in 2016 are projected to be \$19,297,705, consisting of contractual expenses and interest expense.

# **Contractual Expenses**

The Corporation has budgeted \$125,000 for contractual expenses in 2016, which covers rating agency fees, trustee fees, administrative fees, D&O insurance, reporting services and auditing and bookkeeping fees.

# **Interest Expense**

The Corporation projects that its interest expense in 2016 will be \$19,172,705.

### **Principal Payments**

The Corporation projects that its principal payments in 2016 will be \$0. As stated above, the Corporation expects to receive \$15,064,500 due to the resolution of the dispute between the State and major tobacco companies. The funds will be used to make sinking fund and/or turbo principal payments. However, since it is unclear as to when the funds will be received, the Corporation has budgeted \$0 in principal payments in 2016.

# Actual Revenues (Receipts) and Expenditures for the Corporation's Last-Completed Fiscal Year (2014), and Estimated Revenues (Receipts) and Expenditures for the Corporation's Current (2015) and Next (2016) Fiscal Year

NASSAU COUNTY TOBACCO SETTLEMENT CORPORATION				
	OBJECT	2014 Actual	2015 Projected	2016 Budget
<b>EXPENSE</b>				
DD	CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	\$121,523	\$127,944	\$125,000
FF	INTEREST	19,281,473	19,231,375	19,172,705
GG	PRINCIPAL	1,467,000	859,000	0
00	OTHER EXPENSE	0	0	0
EXPENSE T	TOTAL	\$20,869,996	\$20,218,319	\$19,297,705
REVENUE				
RO	TOBACCO SETTLEMENT REVENUES	\$21,732,892	\$18,598,238	\$18,542,443
BE	INVESTMENT INCOME	3,109	3,026	3,000
R0801	MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	0	0	0
REVENUE TOTAL		\$21,736,001	\$18,601,264	\$18,545,443
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		\$866,005	(\$1,617,055)	(\$752,262)