

TOMPKINS COUNTY CLERK

2025 Annual Report



Maureen Reynolds, County Clerk

Rachel Graham, Executive Deputy County Clerk

Julie Seely, Deputy County Clerk

www.tompkinscountyny.gov/cclerk
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- Planning to travel abroad and need a passport?
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How may we help you?

Maureen Reynolds, Tompkins County Clerk

County Clerk Staff:

Maureen Reynolds, County Clerk

Rachel Graham, Executive Deputy County Clerk

R. Genung, Administrative Recording Clerk

D. Cowles, Senior Recording Clerk

K. Porter, Senior Recording Clerk

K. Searles, Senior Recording Clerk

J. Chevallard, Recording Clerk

P. Moreno, Recording Clerk

N. Ferriss, Admin Assistant 1

320 N Tioga St, Ithaca, NY

DMV Staff:

Julie Seely, Deputy County Clerk

J. Trabucco, Head Motor Vehicle Examiner

B. Sipes, Principal Motor Vehicle Examiner

B. Coty, Senior Motor Vehicle Examiner

R. Anderson, Motor Vehicle Examiner

B. Bradford, Motor Vehicle Examiner

N. Davis, Motor Vehicle Examiner

D. Grover, Motor Vehicle Examiner

L. Simoens, Motor Vehicle Examiner


C. Wright, Motor Vehicle Examiner

301 Third St, Ithaca, NY

COUNTY CLERK/DMV

2025

Our mission is to provide exceptional customer service for the public, be it at DMV or the County Clerk's Office, while generating revenue for the County in order to reduce the property tax burden.



County Clerk Fees Collected:

- ◆ Fees for the County's Unallocated Revenues in the amount of \$2,394,832 (\$1,337,899 of which is from the transfer tax fee).
- ◆ \$413,328 in reimbursement from the state for expenses incurred for processing mortgages.
- ◆ \$8,059 for the records management department through a per document fee.
- ◆ DWI fines for STOP DWI in the amount of \$2,745.
- ◆ \$3,021,599 in mortgage tax for all of the towns, villages & City of Ithaca.
- ◆ \$1,169,233 in mortgage tax for TCAT.
- ◆ \$206,335 in mortgage tax for Tompkins County.
- ◆ \$4,710,775 in fees & taxes for different state departments (Dept. of State, SONYMA, Dept. of Taxation & Finance, NYS ORPS, & Office of Court Administration).

DMV Fees Collected:

- ◆ \$461,210 in clerk's retention fees.
- ◆ \$141,890 in motor vehicle use fee.
- ◆ \$2,033,769 in sales tax for the state.
- ◆ \$4,389,172 in DMV fees for the state.
- ◆ \$350,904 in DMV use fee for the county.
- ◆ \$191,641 in internet sharing revenue.

2025 County Clerk Revenues

	Transfer Tax:		Mortgage Tax:
2021	\$ 1,323,038		\$ 6,111,506
2022	\$ 1,071,140		\$ 5,177,522
2023	\$ 868,663		\$ 3,395,836
2024	\$ 949,510		\$ 3,980,260
2025	\$ 1,337,899		\$ 5,124,767

	Mtge Tax (TCAT)		Mtge Tax (County)
2021	\$ 1,427,322		\$ 251,880
2022	\$ 1,143,634		\$ 201,800
2023	\$ 747,785		\$ 131,962
2024	\$ 890,245		\$ 157,102
2025	\$ 1,169,232		\$ 206,335

2025 DMV Revenues

	Clerk's Fees	Internet Sharing
2021	\$ 470,769	\$ 39,164
2022	\$ 492,112	\$ 28,804
2023	\$ 496,522	\$ 32,988
2024	\$ 426,478	\$ 184,348
2025	\$ 461,210	\$ 191,641

	DMV Use Fee	DMV Use Fee
	Highway	County Clerk
2021	\$ 345,532	\$ 143,570
2022	\$ 319,283	\$ 132,760
2023	\$ 345,264	\$ 143,990
2024	\$ 338,723	\$ 136,938
2025	\$ 350,904	\$ 141,890

TOMPKINS COUNTY CLERK

2025 HIGHLIGHTS

In 2025, we held 3 naturalization ceremonies and welcomed 77 new citizens to Tompkins County.



Assisted 927 customers obtain US Passports.



COUNTY CLERK WEBSITE

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[Have Questions? Chat with Us!](#)

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Maureen Reynolds



Goals

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Search Online Records

[Online Records Search](#)

[Laserfiche Public Portal](#)



Contact Us

Phone

[\(607\) 274-5431](tel:(607)274-5431)

Website

[Tompkins County Motor Vehicles](#)

Location

Tompkins County Courthouse
320 N. Tioga St.
Ithaca, NY
14850
[View Map](#)

Hours

Monday - Friday
8:30 AM - 12:00 PM
1:00 PM - 4:30 PM

Department of Motor Vehicles

301 Third Street in the Hancock Plaza
Ithaca, NY 14850

Department Links

- [Civil Services](#)
- [Land Services](#)
- [Naturalization Services](#)
- [Pistol Permits](#)
- [FAVOR](#)
- [Business Certificates](#)
- [Other Services](#)
- [In The News](#)
- [E-Recording Information and Forms](#)
- [TSSERR - Tompkins County Shared Services Electronic Records Repository](#)

Connect

[Facebook](#)

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NEW! Remote Search Site

[New! Cloud Search with Fraud Alert](#)

 [About Fraud Alert Service](#) (PDF, 321KB) >

 [How to Sign up for Fraud Alert Service](#) (PDF, 548KB) >

Real Property Fraud Alert Service

Monitoring for Your Peace of Mind

Get notified of potentially fraudulent claims or transactions regarding real property. Sign up to receive email alerts anytime your personal or entity name is used in a real property recording within the County. This is a free service provided by the Tompkins County County Clerk designed to aid in the detection of fraudulently-recorded documents that could affect your property ownership.

What is property fraud?

Real property fraud is where a party fraudulently records documents against your property for financial gain or to attempt to take ownership without your knowledge.

Why should you be concerned?

Real property fraud is a fast-growing crime as damaging as identity theft, with the added risk of losing your property.

How do you protect yourself?

The Tompkins County Clerk is introducing GovOS Property Alert—a free real property fraud alert system. After creating an alert record, you will receive email notifications anytime a document is recorded against your property or name.



Maureen Reynolds
Tompkins County NY, County Clerk



Official Records Search

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Public Records ▾

Search for grantor/grantee, subdivision, doc type, or doc#

1/1/1790 → 1/6/2026 ▾



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Motor Vehicles



Register a Car, Truck, Motorcycle, or Trailer, or Transfer License Plates

- [Questions about licenses and forms](#)
- [Schedule your road test](#)

Transferring Plates

- [Form MV-82](#)
- [Form DTF-802](#)
- Proof of insurance
- Title
- Blank check made payable to Tompkins County Clerk – or credit card authorization
- Copy of license

Registering a New-to-You Vehicle

- [Form MV-82](#)
- [Form DTF-802](#)
- Proof of insurance
- Title
- Blank check made payable to Tompkins County Clerk -r credit card authorization
- Copy of license
- A separate \$5 check or money order **or** a prepaid UPS or Fedex return envelope for plate return

[Register a Vehicle \(Department of Motor Vehicles\)](#)

Contact Us

Phone

[\(607\) 273-7187](tel:(607)273-7187)

Fax

(607) 272-3359

Location

Tompkins County Department of Motor Vehicles
301 Third St
Ithaca, NY
14850
[View Map](#)

Hours

Monday - Friday

8:30 am - 12:45 pm
2:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Motorcycle and Driving Test

Monday - Friday

8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Permit Test

Monday - Friday








































8:30 am - 12:00 pm
2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Local Mail-in Processing

Address

Tompkins County DMV
301 Third Street
Ithaca, NY 14850

Laserfiche Public Portal

Laserfiche			
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TompkinsCounty > County Clerk > Public Weblink 39 Entries			
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COUNTY CLERK/DMV SOCIAL MEDIA



Tompkins County Clerk

Tompkins County



12/29/25 - 1/4/26

Positive feedback

100%

based on 53 responses



Tompkins County DMV

TWITTER.COM

Anthony on Twitter

"Tompkins County DMV putting the stereotypes to shame. In and out in 13 minutes for a Drivers License Renewal + Enhanced upgrade. I've had sandwich orders take longer. #twithaca"

★★★★★ 3 days ago **NEW**

Very unusual DMV, unlike other common DMVs that are unkind. All the staff are very kind and supportive. It's the first time I've felt thankful at the DMV. What a bizarre experience at the DMV! The best service ever!!!

★★★★★ 6 weeks ago

Kind, courteous, and helpful, this is literally the best DMV I've ever been to

★★★★★ 10 weeks ago

I know this is a ridiculous thing to type. But I love the Ithaca motor vehicle department. They are so freakin friendly and professional: like better than Discount Tire good. The line moved quickly- people smiled -we made mistakes on forms and they were patient and explained (and re-explained nicely).

The woman that helped us three months ago remembered us and asked us how we were, as if we were all sitting down for coffee and cookies. It's really nice to have ambassadors like that for such a great city.

I wish all government businesses were like that. If it weren't for their inability to capture my mug in a less than flattering manner it would be perfect. Yeah: that's their fault! 🤔

★★★★★ 4 weeks ago

wow... this place has better service than some restaurants

RECORDS MANAGEMENT

2025

TSSERR

Home

Contact Information

SHARED SERVICES ELECTRONIC
RECORDS REPOSITORY
320 N. Tioga St.
Ithaca, NY 14850
(607) 274-5431
[Email Us](#)
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Tompkins Shared Services Electronic Records Repository (TSSERR) - is a group created to provide, oversee and coordinate shared records management within Tompkins County

[Agendas](#)
[Minutes](#)
[By-Laws](#)
[Group Agreement](#)
[Shared Data Systems Policy and Procedure - Draft](#)

Presentations

[NYCOM](#) [NACRC](#) [NYSACC 2016-01](#)

Presentation from Laserfiche Conference January 2014:
[Tompkins County: Transparent Records Management in Action](#)

Panel discussion from Laserfiche Conference January 2015:
[Records Management Panel: Aligning IT and Records Managers to Meet Challenges and Demands](#)



Every individual success is a TSSERR group effort!
Alan K

- ♦ Continued scanning documents for our TSSERR partners
- ♦ Held a user groups for our Laserfiche partners
- ♦ Continued working on scanning for departments that will be moving to the new county building
- ♦ Worked with all county departments to institute “born-digital” protocols and scan their old paper files into Laserfiche
- ♦ Our Laserfiche Shared Services Solution has been highlighted in 25 tech publications

Newest Archives Grant



Did you know...

Naturalization Records from Queens and The Bronx are available online
Visit NYnaturalizations.com or scan the QR code to see the entire collection

You can search and view records from the 1790's through the 1950's
Find records by name, year of arrival, country of origin and more

Discovering your past is simple and fun
Naturalization Records contain a wealth of information
and some of the records even have pictures



The Office of the Queens County Clerk
88-11 Sutphin Blvd.
Jamaica, NY 11435
(718) 298-0601



The National Historical
Publications & Records
Commission



The Office of the Bronx County Clerk
851 Grand Concourse
Bronx, NY 10451
(718) 618-3300

This project was made possible through a partnership between the Queens County Clerk, Bronx County Clerk and the National Historical Publications & Records Commission

DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

2025 HIGHLIGHTS


REAL ID License—May 7, 2025 Deadline!

REAL ID LICENSE, PERMIT, & ID

Do You Have the Right Documents?

Social Security Card & 2 Proofs of NYS Residency &

☒ Valid U.S. Passport



OR

☒ U.S. Birth Certificate &

☒ 4 Additional Documents:
Utility Bill,
Credit / Debit Card,
Pay Stub, Marriage
Certificate, etc.





OR

☒ Valid Foreign
Passport or
Green Card &

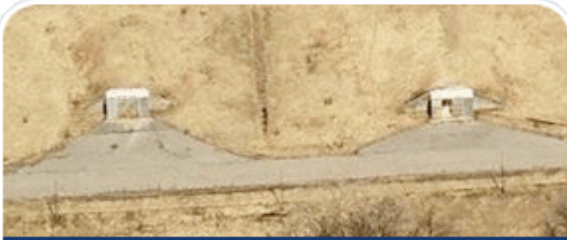
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Document

> Learn more at DMV.NY.GOV/REALID

ALL DOCUMENTS MUST BE **ORIGINAL**. PHOTOCOPIES ARE **NOT** ACCEPTABLE.

Document Type	Enhanced (EDL)	Federal REAL ID	Standard*
Displayed on document			NOT FOR FEDERAL PURPOSES
Boarding a domestic (U.S.) flight (starting October 2020)	X	X	
Entry into a Federal Building or Military Base	X	X	
U.S. Border Crossing from Canada, Mexico, some Caribbean countries	X		

Former Seneca Army Depot Bunkers



CLOSE-UP AERIAL VIEW OF BUNKERS



BUNKER EXTERIOR - BEFORE AND AFTER



BUNKER MECHANICAL ROOM



BUNKER INTERIOR - BEFORE AND AFTER



Tompkins County Clerk's Office - Annual Report for 2025

The following represents funds collected during 2025 in the County Clerk's Office and the DMV.

Records Management (1460.42770):	\$	8,059.00
County Clerk Coversheets (1410.42770):	\$	34,175.00
County Transfer Tax (9999.1189):	\$	1,337,899.00
DMV Clerk's Fees (1411.41255):	\$	461,210.40
STOP DWI (4250.2615):	\$	2,745.00
New Mortgage Tax - TCAT portion (5630.41188):	\$	1,169,232.83
85%		
New Mortgage Tax - County portion (5630.41187):	\$	206,335.20
15%		
County Clerk's Fees (9999.1255):	\$	1,073,843.96
Comptroller's Expenses (1310.41230):	\$	25,542.00
Clerk's Mortgage Tax Expenses (1410.41255):	\$	387,786.00
DMV Use Fee (1411.41256):	\$	141,890.00
DMV Use Fee (to General Fund):	\$	350,904.04
DMV Internet Revenue Sharing:	\$	191,641.25
Misc Revenue:	\$	16,725.00
State Grants:	\$	46,522.00

Total Collected for Tompkins County:	\$	5,454,510.68
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Mortgage Tax Collected for City, Towns and Villages:	\$	3,021,599.41
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Office of Court Administration:	\$	317,700.86
Transfer Tax:	\$	2,959,408.00
Dept. of Education:	\$	153,121.00
Real Property:	\$	252,833.00
SONYMA:	\$	1,035,997.99
Mortgage Tax for Other Counties:	\$	14,900.00
Notary:	\$	-
DMV Sales Tax:	\$	2,033,769.00
DMV Fees:	\$	4,389,172.00

Total Collected for NYS:	\$	11,156,901.85
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Total Collected:	\$	19,633,011.94
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