

# Indiana

Department of Local Government Finance



*Committed to a fair and equitable property tax system for Hoosier taxpayers.*

# Indiana Gateway for Government Units

*A partnership of the*

*Indiana Department of Local Government Finance, the State Board of Accounts,  
and the Indiana Business Research Center at the Kelley School of Business<sup>1</sup>*



# What is Gateway?

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- INPUT – Online budget submission program; stores data electronically in one central location
  - Budget forms
  - Annual financial reports
  - Debt reports
- OUTPUT - Accessible, understandable reports that will allow public users of site to drill down into data and see both agencies information in one location



# Project Timeline

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- July 1, 2011 – Pay 2012 Budget Forms (non-school)
- September 2011 - Debt Management Area
- November 2011 – Pay 2012 Budget Data available to public online
- January 1, 2012 - SBOA Annual Financial Report submission
- July 1, 2012 – Pay 2013 School Budget Forms
- November 2012 – Pay 2013 School Budget Data available to public online



# Goals of Gateway

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Accessible

+ Understandable

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Transparent



# Local Government Transparency

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- Pre-Gateway
  - Numerous data reports on web
    - Budget and levy history (tax summaries)
    - Expenditure per capita
    - Annual financial reports (PDF format)
    - Referenda Calculator



# Benefits of Gateway

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- Budgets, year-end reports, debt data stored in modern data warehouse
  - Searchable data
  - Cross-agency comparisons
  - Custom reports
  - Statewide comparison reports
  - Enhanced analysis
    - Population data
    - Economic data
    - GIS and mapping



# How Does the Public See the Data?

## Annual Financial Reports

- [2009 Per Capita Expenditure Report](#)

This report provides an annual compilation of the total expenditure per person of each political subdivision with the authority to raise a property tax levy. Click [here](#) for archived reports.

*Please note: This report, prepared by the Department of Local Government Finance, presents a compilation of each political subdivision's expenditures per capita based on the unit's unaudited annual financial report as submitted by the unit to the State Board of Accounts (SBOA). The report is compiled based on expenditures reported by each unit, which do not adjust expenditure totals for transfers or investments. For more detail into the local unit's spending, the unaudited annual financial reports can be found under "Detailed Annual Financial Reports" below.*

- [Detailed Annual Financial Reports](#)

Local Units of Government annual reports submitted to the State Board of Accounts. Includes: Counties, Cities, Townships, Libraries, Solid Waste Management Districts and Special Districts

- [School Corporations](#)

School Corporation annual financial reports as reported to the Indiana Department of Education.

## Property Taxes

- [Local Referendum Calculator](#)

This tool calculates the property tax impact of referendums on the ballot in Indiana. By entering a property's assessed value and available deductions, the tool estimates the additional property tax that would be owed if the referendum is approved by local voters.

- [Property Tax Summaries by County \(2008 - 2009\)](#)

The Department of Local Government Finance has compiled one-page summaries of local government property taxes by county. Look up your county for information including who pays property tax and how the money is distributed. Click [here](#) for archived reports.



# How Does the Public See the Data?

## Township Expenditures Per Capita 2008-2009

(2009 Expenditures)

Median:	\$35.49
Average (Mean):	\$61.65
Lowest:	\$0.00
Highest:	\$1,653.90

County Name	Township Name	2008 Expenditures Per Capita	2009 Expenditures Per Capita
HUNTINGTON	UNION TOWNSHIP	Data Not Provided	\$25.72
HUNTINGTON	WARREN TOWNSHIP	\$86.99	\$64.54
HUNTINGTON	WAYNE TOWNSHIP	\$43.63	\$890.33
JACKSON	BROWNSTOWN TOWNSHIP	\$18.62	\$20.34
JACKSON	CARR TOWNSHIP	\$69.67	\$77.93



# How Will the Public See the Data?

Select Year: 2008      Select County: Adams      [View Report](#)

Report Type: Expenditures      Select Comparison Type: None

Select Township: Blue Creek township

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## Financial Summary for Unit X Expenditures

County	Township	Year	Line Item	Budgeted	Actual
Adams	Blue Creek township	2008			
			Personal Services	\$ 10,238	\$ 8,110
			Supplies	\$ 23,922	\$ 21,794
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 Select Township: Blue Creek township  
 Select Comparison Type: **None** (highlighted)  
 Average for this Unit Type  
 Average for Other Unit Types  
 Average for Units with Similar Population  
 Average for Units with Similar Median Income

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# How does it work?

- From any computer with internet access
- Unique user-names and passwords
- Defined user roles

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## Welcome to Indiana's Gateway for Government Units

The Indiana Gateway for Government Units provides a central commons for local units to submit their financial forms to the State of Indiana.

**The goal:** budget and expenditure transparency, made practical by collecting and disseminating multiple sources of information through a common Gateway. Units of local government will be able to submit budgets (for certification by the Department of Local Government Finance) and their Annual Reports (for use in auditing by the State Board of Accounts) through web-based forms and that data will populate a central database. The information will then populate user-friendly reports, published online, to enhance the flow of information from local government to its constituents.

**Project Timeline**  
Dates for pilot testing and deployment

**Presentation**  
(Given to Auditors, Assessors, Treasurers and Others in Spring 2010)

For more information, please call Wendy at the IBRC at 317-274-2979.

The working collaborators on this initiative include the Governor's Office and these three agencies and is part of the Information for Indiana initiative.

- **DLGF:** Sarah Ance, Deputy Commissioner
- **SBOA:** John Eppley, Information Systems Audit Director
- **IBRC:** Carol Rogers, Deputy Director

### Authorized Personnel Login

User Name:

Password:

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