CCAO Budget FY 22: Budgeting for Reform

Fritz Kaegi Cook County Assessor



Years 1-3: Rebuilding the foundation

Year 1 and 2

- New residential assessment models posted online
- Digitization of core functions: Appeals & exemptions; new website
- COVID disruptions and pivots to hybrid outreach
 - Includes downtown and branch offices

Year 3

- First phase of iasWorld goes live
- Focused on assessments and appeals
- A \$30 million County investment begun in 2015

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Year 4: FY 22 Priorities

Strategic hiring and cost efficiencies

Improved customer service

Technology and modernization investments

Strategic hiring and cost efficiencies

- Emphasis on filling vacancies in Valuations, IT, and Data
 - Reflecting diversity of the County in Outreach and customer service staff
 - Planning for succession due to retirements



Strategic hiring and cost efficiencies

- FTE count remains the same from FY 21 to FY 22
 - FY22 budget increases due to new collective bargaining agreement
- Digitization has meant cost savings
 - 77% reduction in costs for paper and boxes due to online appeals

Improved customer service

- Increases in professional services costs toward 12-month consulting contract
- Customer service and change management project
- Move from silo'ed departments to seamless experience
- Additional customer service training and development
 - More IAAO certifications for staff
 - Costs hold steady from FY 21 to FY 22





Technology and modernization

- iasWorld Phase 2: Exemptions and other County offices
- Recommendations from consultants will drive new tools, processes
- Field mobile apps
- Public Access module allows for more transparency

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Profile Taxpayer Data Values Value Summary Values History Permits Permit Legacy Data Field Inspection Land Residential Bldg Commercial Bldg

Other Structures

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Workflow Summary

Notice Summary

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Recognition of progress from our peers

In 2021, the Assessor's Office received two awards for its digital modernization and communications improvements from the National Association of Counties and the International Association of Assessing Officers.

These awards reflect our investments in technology, transparency, and better access.





Progress on reform: FY 21 to 22

Since the IAAO audit in 2019, we have **<u>implemented 19</u> <u>recommendations</u>** and **<u>developed plans</u>** in 4 other recommended areas:



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