

**Circuit Clerk
County Board Report
December, 2023**

	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Circuit Clerk.....	\$ 12,353.14	\$ 12,343.14
County Fee.....	\$ 61.60	\$ 61.60
State's Attorney.....	\$ 7,039.97	\$ 7,039.97
Sheriff.....	\$ 1,436.80	\$ 1,436.80
Criminal.....	\$ 8,644.50	\$ 8,644.50
Traffic.....	\$ 2,731.85	\$ 2,731.85
Municipalities.....	\$ 10,480.89	\$ 10,480.89
Conservation.....	\$ 431.92	\$ 431.92
Overweight.....	\$ 19,356.31	\$ 19,356.31
Law Library.....	\$ 1,254.00	\$ 1,254.00
Court Fund.....	\$ 8,842.60	\$ 8,842.60
Automation.....	\$ 5,283.55	\$ 5,283.55
Court Security.....	\$ 6,508.35	\$ 6,508.35
Probation.....	\$ 5,142.70	\$ 5,142.70
Marriage.....	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00
Driver Education.....	\$ 600.53	\$ 600.53
Violent Crime.....	\$ 1,908.47	\$ 1,908.47
Trauma.....	\$ 847.44	\$ 847.44
Medical Costs.....	\$ 183.00	\$ 183.00
Interest.....	\$ 2,532.07	\$ 2,532.07
Bonds.....	\$ 52,135.25	\$ 52,135.25
Child Support - Clerk.....	\$ 3,865.00	\$ 3,865.00
Child Support - SDU.....	\$ 160,314.18	\$ 160,314.18
Document Storage.....	\$ 5,329.75	\$ 5,329.75
Administrative Fee-Child Support.....	\$ 3,865.00	\$ 3,865.00

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT OF COUNTY CLERK & RECORDER

I, Sandy Leitheiser, County Clerk and Recorder in and for the County of Montgomery and State of Illinois respectfully present the following report of all fees of my office and expenditures for tax redemption, earnings and fees collected and forwarded to the Treasurer of Montgomery County, for and during the month of December 2023, wherein I state the gross amount of all fees by me earned or received for official service during the month.

NATURE OF SERVICE

Tax Redemptions	68,211.72
County Clerk Services	14,753.50
Clerk's Vital Record Automation Fees	1,192.21
State Marriage License Domestic Violence Prevention Surcharge Fund	35.00
G.I.S. Fees (Cost Study Monthly Ave. \$5,400.00)	8,020.00
State Real Estate Transfer Tax	7,910.00
State Death Certificate Fund	1,048.00
Record Keeping Improvement Fees	20,858.52
Rental Housing Surcharge Program Fees sent to IDOR	6,966.00
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GRAND TOTAL RECEIPTS	128,994.95

MINUS EXPENDITURES

State Real Estate Transfer Tax sent to IDOR	7,910.00
Tax Redemptions paid out	68,211.72
Clerk's Vital Record Automation Fees to Treasurer	1,192.21
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Recordkeeping Improvement fees to Treasurer	20,858.52
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State Death Certificate Fund	1,048.00
State Marriage License Domestic Violence Prevention Surcharge Fund	35.00
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CLERK/REC EARNINGS DUE TO TREASURER	14,753.50

(State of Illinois)
(Montgomery County) SS

I, Sandy Leitheiser, County Clerk and Recorder, do solemnly swear that the foregoing is to the best of my knowledge, true and correct.

Sandy Leitheiser, County Clerk and Recorder



Montgomery County Environmental Protection Agency

#1 Courthouse Square – Room 202, Hillsboro, Illinois 62049 – (217) 532-9577

December 2023 Report

Inspections

Montgomery County EPA did not conduct open dump or landfill inspections during the month of December.

Inspections

	<u>November 2023</u>	<u>FY 2023</u>
Open Dump Inspections	3	51
New Open Dump Sites	0	9
Sites brought into compliance	0	8
Landfill Inspections	2	11
Active Open Dump Inspections as of October 31, 2023	0	7

Active Site Inspections by Location

Fillmore: 1
Irving: 1
Nokomis: 2
Taylor Springs: 1
Waggoner: 1
Witt: 1

Montgomery County Enterprise Zone Activity Dec. 2023

	Number of Businesses	Total Project Cost		
Pending	13	\$9,207,339		
Abated in 2023	2	\$1,880,188		
Abated in 2022	3	\$10,362,835		
T.I.F 2022 - 2023	4	\$921,000		
New EZ Business Applications 2023		General Abatement application	REQUEST FOR ADD'L EZ Territory	
January	1			
February	0			
March	0			
April	0			
May	2	1		
June	1			
July	1			
August	1		VISTA Solar Project	
September	1		Pioneer	
October	2			
November	1			
December	1			
TOTAL Applications	11	1		



MONTGOMERY COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

CODY A. GREENWOOD, COUNTY ENGINEER
11159 IL Route 185, Hillsboro, Illinois 62049
Phone 217-532-6109, Fax 217-532-6642

January 2024 Maintenance Report

The following maintenance items were performed in the month of December 2023:

Signage

Repair various signs

Miscellaneous

Patched potholes
Picked up trash and dead deer
Ditch work on Black Diamond
Cleaned equipment
Installed 50/50 pipes for Townships
Installed entrance pipes
Installed millings and CA6 on various shoulders

Cody A. Greenwood, P.E.
County Engineer

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- (1) Do Weekly Generator's ok. list.
- (2) Get Kubota Rider Mower, took off Deck, cleaned it out, took off Mulching Kit, & Mulching Blades, Reinstalls Reg. Blades, Grease Deck Bearings, Grease up Mower Bearings, etc, change oil & Filter, Install New Air-Cleaner Filter, ck. Fluids, Air up Tires, clean up Mower, install Snow Blade.
- (3) Get out All Salt spreaders, Get em ready for Winter, Take Bags of Salt Around at all (3) Facilities.
- (4) Change oil, ck. & or Replace Air-Filter's, clean spark-plug's, clean out Deck's, sharpen Blades, etc. on All (3) Push-Mowers, Ready for Summer.
- (5) Call Civic Painting & Put off Painting Band Around Old Courthouse & Painting off Emergency Stair-Case to Fall of 2024, to see if we have Enough Funds for it.
- (6) Get Snow-Blower ready to use for Winter.
- (7) Frank Newberry Worked on our Gas-Blower.
- (8) Mounted Computer Bracket to Desk of Kevin-Brink to mount a Computer Monitor.
- (9) Cut Couple Hole's in Wall's to Nikki Lohman's office to run Cable thru em & Mount a Computer Monitor Bracket to 2x4's for I.T. Dept, Mounted 2 Boxes Plate's, & 2 Finger-Plate's
- (10) Called Fire Marshal Chris DiBase About old Court-House Elevator.
- (11) Justin from Cat Altifor installed (New Ram) to New Jail-House Generator, took Badone off, ^{recommunicator}
- (12) Unplug Sink Drain in Women's Restroom at old Courthouse
- (13) Closed off Front Sheriff's Parking-lot for Sheriff to Test Fire rounds of Ammo at Bullet-Proof Shield's in Courtroom #3, they Passed.
- (14) Seward Tuck Painting Arrived to Tuck-Point Back stair's of old Courthouse, Turned out Good.
- (15) Replaced outside outlet (GFI) by Handicap

- (28) Go over to Sheriff's Building + Mount (2) Madsen's + Brackets for Curt W., FIT Dept, + Drill Holes in Concrete Wall's + soffitt to Run Cat Cable Thru. (1) in Front of Sheriff's Building + (1) by Sally-Port.
- (29) Oil up All (6) B+G Circulating Pump's in AHU-Rm.
- (30) Plug a Hole in Sally-Port Wall with Concrete Mix.
- (31) Go to Jail-House + Paint Women's 1st Cell Rm., Bunk Area, Dayroom, + Painted Door's, 2-Coats. ^{For Ken. Knislee}
- (32) Go to Jail-House + Men's Cell Rm. at end of Hall-way to the Right, Painted Day-room + Door's, ^(2 coats) Worked thru
- (33) Took Plexi-Glass off Counter top to old Ambulance Billing office for Probation.
- (34) Pulled out Broken Ground-Plug out of Receptacle in Men's Restroom for Amanda Bergman.
- (35) Removed Transition Plastic strip for AHU Rm. New Courthouse + Inserted concrete Patch.
- (36) VAV Box not Working in Brian Hampton's Probation Rm., Replaced Actuator Valve, still Wouldn't Heat Coil's up, installed old Valve back On, Flushed out VAV Box Coil's, Found Circulation Pump #4 Down in AHU Rm. Tripped out.
- (37) Found loose Wiring in Circulating Pump Disconnect Box causing it to kick out, Cut out Bad-Wiring + Tightened up Screw's, Working Ok. now.
- (38) Larry From Clow-Controls looked at Couple VAV Boxes at New Courthouse that wasn't Responding on Computer, Got it lined out.
- (39) Eichenhauser Services Arrived the 21st to take out Old stove at Jail-house Kitchen + install New South Bend Stove, helped Getting Old + New one inside. Also Shot-off Main Gas-Valve outside Sheriff's Building so installers could install New Gas-Valve + Piping to New Stove, after they was done, We ^{whip} opened Gas Valve Back-up in Got All (3) HTP

- Open-Valve's Back up, Flushed out All Hot & Cold Lines Around Courthouse, Faucets, toilets, Urinals, etc of Air & Rust.
- (49) Schindler Elevator Company on-site Dec. 27th Working Old Courthouse Elevator.
- (50) Shut-Down Hot-water Heater & Circulating Pump at New Courthouse, 1st floor, & Valve it out & clean out Hot-steam to Pot Sink in Housekeeper's Pen. by Maint-shop & Got it All Going Again.
- (51) Take Cabinets, Pictures, Courtroom chairs with Pedestals & store over at Mower shed, & kept some used Plumbing Items from Renevation, & supply Ducts.
- (52) As of Noon Dec. 28th, old Courthouse Elevator is Back in Service.
- (53) Contacted Eddie Barfield from Schindler Elevator, we need Old Courthouse Elevator Inspected, he is to talk to Scheduler.

Rick Robbins

Montgomery County Sheriff

140 North Main St.

Hillsboro, IL 62049

Dispatch: (217) 532-9511

Office Manager: (217) 532-9512

Fax (217) 532-6318

Jail: (217) 532-9514

January 3, 2024

The Montgomery County Sheriff's Office respectfully submits the following report to the Montgomery County Board for the month of December, 2023.

Revenues Generated

Process Service and/or Sales:	\$ 2,484.00
Bond Fees:	315.26
Total:	\$ 2,799.26

Patrol/Investigation

Law Enforcement Incidents (dispatched by MCSO):

MCSO	447
Other LE Agencies	151

Civil/Criminal Paper Served: 60

Arrest Warrants Served: 12

MCSO Incidents within City Jurisdictions:

Butler	28	Nokomis	21
Coalton	7	Ohlman	0
Coffeen	23	Panama	2
Donnellson	11	Raymond	35
Farmersville	36	Schram City	0
Fillmore	10	Taylor Springs	32
Harvel	6	Waggoner	6
Hillsboro	129	Walshville	4
Irving	13	Witt	31
Litchfield	72		

Nature of Incident Total Incidents

911 Hang Up Call	4	
Abandoned Vehicle	4	
Panic / Burglary Alarm	8	
Assault	1	
Assist Other Agency		7
Battery	2	
Breathing Problems		1
Burglary	3	
Citizen Contact	1	
Convulsions or Seizures	1	
Disorderly Conduct	9	
Domestic Disturbance	14	
Controlled Substance Problem	1	
Electrical Hazard	2	
Other Medical / EMS	1	
Fire Alarm	1	
Foot Patrol	1	
Found Property	3	
Gunshots	1	
Investigation/Case Follow Up	1	
Jail Incident	10	
Stray Animal	1	
Missing Person	1	
Motorist Assist	5	
Traffic Accident No Injury	15	
Traffic Accident with Injuries	6	
Traffic Accident Unknown Injury	6	
Public Order Disturbance	6	
Open Line/Bad Signal	7	
Outside Fire	1	
Overdose / Poisoning	1	
Phone Call	1	
Police Other	30	
Prisoner Relay/Transport	2	
Property Exchange Civil Standby	1	
Psychological / Behavioral	3	
Recovered Stolen Vehicle	1	
Search Warrant	2	
Sex Offender Registration	5	
Suspicious Person, Circumstance	29	
Theft	12	
Theft of Vehicle	1	
Harassment/Stalking/Threats	4	

Traffic Hazard	10
Traffic Violation	2
Traffic Stop	100
Trespassing	9
Vehicle Fire	2
Violation OP/Stalking No Con	5
Lobby Walk-in	1
Wanted Person	2
Warrant Service	9
Weapon Offense	1
Weather Related Incident	1
Welfare Check	10

Corrections Division

Number of Detainees:

Males	55
Females	25
Total	80

Average of Daily Detainees: 26.74
Average Length of Stay: 24.79 days

Jail Incidents: 8

Communications Division

Daily Incident Count: 1,976

External Communications Division Contacts:

Animal Control	0	Health Dept.	6
Air Medical	6	IL Dept. of Conservation	0
Coroner	4	IL Dept. of Corrections	0
EMA	0	IL State Police	79
EMS	361	MABAS/Hazmat	0
Fire Departments	102	Probation Dept.	0
Hillsboro PD:	388	Litchfield PD:	577
Nokomis PD:	217		

**Office of The
Supervisor of Assessments
Montgomery County
1 Courthouse Square, Room 201
Hillsboro, IL. 62049**

Kendra Niehaus, CIAO
Phone: 217-532-9595

Chief County Assessment Officer
Email: assessor@montgomerycountyil.gov

January 3, 2024

GIS-

-Report attached

Township and Multi Township Contracts-

All 2023 payments have been received. We still have not received 2024 contracts back from South Litchfield, Grisham Walshville East Fork MTAD, and Fillmore Witt MTAD

Data Collecting/Field Work-

My staff continues to go out and do field work; we will be collecting in Audubon, Nokomis, and Witt next. Those assessments will be added at BOR level.

Board of Review-

33 complaints have been filed so far and 42 complaints have been sent out, the deadline is January 9th. The Board of Review will meet January 11th at 9am.

Leaseholds-

Deadline for recording leases was January 1st, a total of 145 were recorded out of 206, totaling \$12,760 in revenue due to recording fees. The remaining 61 will not be receiving the exemptions totaling 366,000 in EAV back on the tax rolls.

Mobile Home Historical Errors-

It has come to my attention that mobile homes on privilege tax may not be eligible to receive exemptions on their real estate homesite tax bills and may only receive 20% exemption on their mobile home tax bill for either senior or disabled exemption. I have reached out to other CCAOs across the state for clarification and will be taking their responses as well as the statute 35 ILCS 515/7 to the States Attorney for support before removing all exemptions from these individuals.



Montgomery County GIS



December was a short month, with the last week and a half off at several family gatherings in southern Wisconsin, eating far more good food than was good for me. Oof. So much for all the calories I burned off over the last two months climbing stairs. The balance of the month was mostly spent continuing the topological cleanup of the Land Use data layer and dealing with parcel splits and combinations. A busy but uncomplicated month, and I'm okay with that. I expect I'll be knee deep in BAS data before long, so if any municipality out there has located an old cache of annexation documents, I'd love to see them. I've got a list of annexation documents I've already mapped out, and quite a bit of municipal area still unaccounted for.

Whoever finally got the Old Courthouse's elevator fixed has my deepest gratitude. When I spotted the missing 'elevator out of service' signs while driving up, a 300-person choir started singing the Hallelujah Chorus in my head. What a way to start the new year!



ANDREW AFFRONTI
MONTGOMERY COUNTY
STATE'S ATTORNEY

Brian Bach
Assistant State's Attorney

Clark Johnson
Assistant State's Attorney

January 03, 2024

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saoffice@montgomeryco.com

Total Opened Cases for the Month of December, 2023

- 34 Criminal Felonies
- 9 Criminal Misdemeanors
- 2 Domestic Violence
- 6 Conservation
- 7 Driving Under the Influence
- 47 Major Traffic Violations
- 147 Traffic

Total Cases Closed for the Month of October, 2023

- 22 Criminal Felonies
- 9 Criminal Misdemeanor
- 4 Domestic Violence
- 2 Conservation
- 8 Driving Under the Influence
- 42 Major Traffic Violations
- 236 Traffic

Prepared by:

GAYLE WOODS
OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION
Superintendent Cassandra Hampton
Report for December, 2023
January Meeting, January 8, 2024

1. Monthly activities:

2. Veterans Service / Case Load:

- a. Referrals = 21
- b. Client contacts = 81
- c. Phone contacts = 120
- d. Equipment loans = 2

e. Claims paid total =

	Category	Month	YTD
1	Transportation	20.00	20.00
0	Heating Fuel	0	0
1	Food	202.62	202.62
0	Utilities	0	0
0	Shelter	0	0
0	Water/Sewer	0	0
	Total	222.62	222.62

- e. Assistance with forms/applications = 64
- f. New clients Assistance 9
- g. Cell Phones for Soldiers Collected 2

Submitted this 8th day of January, 2024: Cassandra Hampton
Superintendent

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VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION
OF
Montgomery County, ILLINOIS

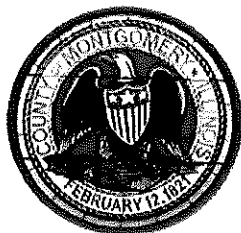
Cassandra Hampton, Superintendent



Montgomery County
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Annual Report

Fiscal Year 2023



Montgomery County
ILLINOIS

Office of the Governor
207 State House
Springfield, IL. 62706

December 30, 2023

Governor Pritzker,

It is with great pleasure that I present you with the annual report of the Veterans Assistance Commission of Montgomery County, Illinois, pursuant to Chapter 330, Part 45, Section 8 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes.

The Montgomery County Veterans Assistance Commission was established in 2003. Since 2009, the office has been located at 201 South Main Street, just across the street from the Old Historic Courthouse in Hillsboro, Illinois. Our facility is easily accessible, with the goal of accommodating our disabled Veterans to the best of our ability.

We are excited to report for 2023 our services have been provided to over 2,511 Veterans and/or Veteran families, who have sought information or assistance from our office. We have processed 130 applications for VA Disability, 8 applications for VA Pension, 27 applications for VA Healthcare. Also we have processed over 800 miscellaneous claims for benefits such as: Burial, Death Insurance, Headstone, VA Waivers of Debt, CHAMPVA, VA Audits, etc.

The total retroactive compensation these claims have brought to our Veterans' in 2023 is \$287,597.00. In Fiscal Year 2023 (12/01/22 – 11/30/23), the Commission was instrumental in securing \$217,889.00 in new benefits. This brings a total of \$505,486.00 in monetary Federal benefits brought into Montgomery County for the calendar year of 2023 and \$7,305,996.00 in total benefits for Montgomery County veterans, their dependents, and their survivors from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

Part of our mission is to provide Financial Assistance to Honorably discharged Veterans and their families as authorized under 330 Illinois Compiled Statutes 45, The Military Veterans Assistance Act. We have paid claims for direct financial assistance totaling \$4,807.00 via vouchers to vendors. This included payments for shelter, transportation, and food.

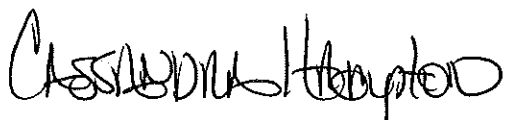
We have Volunteer drivers that are utilized to transport Montgomery County Veterans to and from VA Medical Centers in Illinois and Missouri. Our volunteers completed 57 trips totaling 6,308 miles transporting 57 Veterans with a total of 253 hours of their time donated.

Our goal is to work closely with Veterans' Service Organizations (VSOs), as well as local, state, and federal agencies, to ensure the rights to which each Veteran and their families are entitled and granted. Furthermore, we worked to educate, promote, and preserve the rich heritage and history Veterans served to protect. The 20th year of the Montgomery County Veterans Assistance Commission has provided great benefits for the county and our county Veterans. We believe we will play an even greater role in the coming years, as we continue to expand and participate in outreach opportunities.

"Serving those who have served by putting their needs before our own."

Thank you for your support of our county's veterans. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions, comments, or concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cassandra Hampton". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Cassandra Hampton (USAF Veteran), Superintendent
Montgomery County Veterans Assistance Commission
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