

Economic Vitality Incentive Program Certification of Consolidation of Services

Issued under authority of Public Act 63 of 2011. Filing is mandatory to qualify for payments.

Each city/village/township applying for Consolidation of Services payments must:

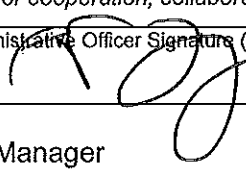
1. Certify to the Michigan Department of Treasury (Treasury) that the local unit listed below has produced and made readily available to the public, a plan to increase its existing level of cooperation, collaboration, and consolidation of services (either within the jurisdiction or with other jurisdictions). The plan shall include a listing of any previous services consolidated with the cost savings realized from each consolidation and an estimate of potential savings for any new service consolidations being planned.
2. Submit to Treasury a copy of the plan to increase cooperation, collaboration, and consolidation of services.

This certification, along with a cooperation, collaboration, and consolidation plan, **must be received by January 1, 2012** (or the first day of a payment month) in order to qualify for that month's payment. Post mark dates will not be considered. For questions, call (517) 373-2697.

PART 1: LOCAL UNIT INFORMATION

Local Unit Name Village of Quincy	
Local Unit Code 12060	Local Unit County Branch
Contact Name Eric Zuzga	Contact Telephone Number (517) 639-9065

PART 2: CERTIFICATION

<i>In accordance with Public Act 63 of 2011, the undersigned hereby certifies to Treasury that by January 1, 2012, the above mentioned local unit has produced and made readily available to the public a plan to increase cooperation, collaboration, and consolidation of services. The plan for cooperation, collaboration, and consolidation of services is attached to this signed certification.</i>	
Chief Administrative Officer Signature (as defined in MCL 141.422b) 	
Title Village Manager	Date December 20, 2011

Completed and signed forms (including required attachments) should be e-mailed to: TreasORTA@michigan.gov

If you are unable to submit via e-mail, mail the completed form and required attachments to:

Michigan Department of Treasury
Office of Revenue and Tax Analysis
PO Box 30722
Lansing MI 48909

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Economic Vitality Incentive Program (EVIP) Consolidation of Services Plan December 2011

As required by Public Act 63 of 2011, the Village of Quincy submits this plan to comply with the consolidation of services requirement of the EVIP. As is the case with most municipalities, the village has a number of existing consolidation/cooperation efforts. These efforts are necessary if we are to provide the level of service requested by its residents and the dwindling revenue sources.

Previous Consolidation/Cooperation Efforts

- In 2002, the Village disbanded their police department and contracted with the Branch County Sheriffs Department. Estimated savings of approximately \$100,000 each year since we started the contract. An additional \$80,000-100,000 of planned capital expenditures was not necessary in the last nine years.
- The Village and Quincy Township established a Joint Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals in 2009. A Joint Master Plan, funded in part by a Partnerships for Change grant, is in the final stages of development. Combing both boards has resulted in a savings of less than \$500 per year, however, the Village saved over \$10,000 by developing a joint master plan versus adopting a new plan on our own.
- The Village, along with Algansee, Butler, and Quincy townships, operates the Quincy Fire Department. The exact level of savings of the consolidated department is difficult to quantify, but we are only responsible for 22% of a \$160,000 budget at this time. We could be expected to spend at least \$40,000 more on annual basis to support a separate department, in addition to several hundred thousand dollars in capital expenditures.
- The Village contracted out the operation of its solid waste transfer station in 2002 to Republic Services. Prior to Republic assuming control, the Village had an operating loss of over \$20,000 per year.
- The Village and Quincy Township established a drop off recycling center that is open to all area residents. The township is currently paying for one pick up a month, which saves the Village \$1,080 per year.
- The Village contracts most of its water/wastewater testing to the City of Coldwater. This collaboration has allowed the Village to save several thousand dollars in lab construction and initial equipment costs.
- The Village also contracts its major equipment and vehicle maintenance to the City of Coldwater. Savings are approximately \$1,000 per year.
- As a result of PA 286-300 of 2004, the Village has consolidated its elections with the general elections run by the township. The township currently covers all costs to the Village without charge. The Village provides the voting facility and storage for the

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township in exchange for running the elections. Costs savings are approximately \$1,000 each year.

Potential Consolidation/Cooperation Efforts under Review

- Several cities in Branch, Calhoun, and Hillsdale counties are currently in discussions regarding the formation of a solid waste authority that would provide trash and recycling services to their residents. If approved, the village will save approximately \$1,500 per year in recycling costs and residents could save up to 50% off their current trash bills.
- The current street sweeper/vac truck is due for replacement in the next few years. The Village will review options for its replacement or may contract this service to another local government or service provider. Estimates for a new truck are approximately \$150,000.
- The Village, Quincy Township, Branch County, and Quincy Rotary are in the discussion phases on the development of a new park for the area. The exact governing structure (joint authority vs. ownership by one of the governmental entities) is an unknown at this time, but the Joint Authority would spread the costs between multiple entities. As the park has not been developed, the level of savings is an unknown.

For further information, please contact Eric Zuzga at 517.639.9065, ext 11 or eric.zuzga@quincy-mi.org.