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Date: July 1, 2026
To: Rutherford County Board of Commissioners
Re: Annual Settlement Fiscal Year 2025-2026

Pursuant to the provisions of North Carolina General Statute 105-273, this memorandum is the Tax Collector's report of settlement to the Rutherford County Board of Commissioners for fiscal year 2025-2026 (tax year 2025).

Total FY 25-26 Tax charged to the Tax Collector for collection:

\$81,879,317.84

REAL ESTATE & PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX

Rutherford County Only

<u>NET LEVY</u>	<u>COLLECTED</u>	<u>UNCOLLECTED</u>	<u>PCT. COLLECTED</u>
\$48,090,081.71	\$47,201,870.13	\$888,211.58	98.15%

Rutherford County Including Service Districts

<u>NET LEVY</u>	<u>COLLECTED</u>	<u>UNCOLLECTED</u>	<u>PCT. COLLECTED</u>
\$60,314,242.62	\$59,015,955.85	\$1,298,286.77	97.84%

REAL ESTATE & PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX

Towns Only

<u>NET LEVY</u>	<u>COLLECTED</u>	<u>UNCOLLECTED</u>	<u>PCT. COLLECTED</u>
\$21,565,075.82	\$21,243,225.89	\$321,849.93	98.50%



Reference is hereby made to reports in the Revenue Office that list the persons owning real property and personal property whose taxes for the preceding fiscal year remain unpaid. These reports are available for inspection upon request.

The Revenue Office has made diligent efforts to collect the taxes due the county and those efforts are listed below.

Enforced Collections for July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, are as follows:

- 724 Legal Actions were issued, and we collected a total of **\$896,140.04**.
- **Deed Certification Requested for 1,507**
- We collected **\$80,068.34** from Deeds certification.
- Outside Foreclosure Actions- 87 parcels referred. **We collected \$455,519.78.**
- In Rem Foreclosure Actions- 139 actions started. **We collected \$356,401.15 from Foreclosure warnings and the In-Rem Foreclosure process.**
- 662 Payment Plans were issued, we currently have 537 payment plans. We collected **\$852,746.91** from payment plans.
- We processed 2530 Bank drafts payments for an amount of **\$325,029.61.**
- Total collected for years 2016 to 2024 was **\$1,437,436.12 (this number may be a part of any action above for all tax districts and includes all fees).** **\$1,006,221.89** of this total were funds for Rutherford County only.

We also advertised all unpaid 2025 real property taxes on May 30, 2026. A copy of this advertisement is enclosed with this report.

Please contact me at Richard.Lawson@rutherfordcountync.gov or 828-287-6354 if you have any questions or comments regarding this settlement report.

Respectively submitted,



Richard Lawson
Revenue Director

See sheet for visual interpretation of tax collections over the last few years

