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COUNTY TREASURER HELPING TO RETURN UNCLAIMED FUNDS TO RIGHTFUL OWNERS

Milwaukee County Treasurer Dan Diliberti reported this week that his office is returning a record amount of unclaimed funds to the rightful owners this year.

"This office has taken its role in returning unclaimed funds to their rightful owners seriously," Diliberti reported this month. "We are increasing our efforts within county government and with local municipalities to locate the owners of these funds and process verifiable claims."

As a result of these efforts, the Treasurer's Office has returned nearly \$1.5 million in local unclaimed funds to their owners.

County Unclaimed Funds include unclaimed local government contract payments, police and Sheriff Departments' refunds, uncashed local government service checks, payments resulting from Court proceedings, etc.

To help locate the owners of these funds, Diliberti reported that County Treasurer's Office has publicized unclaimed funds listing in the local media, made listings available at local library reference desks, and has provided links to unclaimed funds inventories and application forms online via the County Treasurer's web site.

This fall, the County Treasurer's Office will again be reminding municipalities about State Unclaimed Funds requirements and better identify the types of assets that are subject to the law.

Information regarding unclaimed property reporting is available on the County Treasurer web site, where contact information and application forms can also be found.