



## Okaloosa County Tax Collector Benjamin F. Anderson Receives State Award for Excellence

**Tallahassee** – For the fifth consecutive year, Ben Anderson, Okaloosa County Tax Collector, has been awarded the Legacy Award for excellence in the field of financial operations.



“This award of distinction is one of the highest honors the Florida Tax Collector’s Association can bestow on a local Tax Collector,” stated

Association President, Sharon Jordan, of Suwanee County. “The process involved a rigorous review of the Tax Collector’s financial records, practices, and use of technology and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by Mr. Anderson and his Staff.”

A four person judging panel made up of government financial executives from throughout Florida examined the Tax Collector’s processes as related to the following four areas of competency: Innovation & Automation; a Perfect Annual Audit Report; Customer Focus; and Budgeting. Previously, Mr. Anderson earned the Excellence in Financial Operations Award after exhibiting proficiency in these four areas of expertise. However, for the 2017 Legacy Award, Mr. Anderson demonstrated that his office continued to further enhance its financial operations.

Jordan went on to say “The Citizens of Okaloosa County place a tremendous amount of trust in Mr. Anderson in regards to the collection and distribution of taxes and I am pleased to say he and his Staff have earned this designation.” She goes on to say, “Ben’s team continues to excel in every aspect, year after year. You should take great pride in knowing that he continuously operates his office in an exemplary and award-winning manner!”

Tax Collectors carry out State of Florida work at the local level on behalf of Florida’s citizens including property tax collections and enforcement; drivers’ licenses and motor vehicle services; concealed weapons license processing, hunting and fishing licenses; birth certificates, and so much more.

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