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Nassau County Launches *NASSAU FORWARD:* An Initiative to replace NIFS, the Nassau Integrated Financial System

MINEOLA, NY – On September 15, 2022, Nassau County Executive Bruce Blakeman and Comptroller Elaine Phillips met with Nassau County department heads, fiscal staff, and legislative representatives to discuss their plans on moving Nassau forward with a new initiative to replace NIFS, the Nassau Integrated Financial System.

The *NASSAU FORWARD* project is a major, multi-year undertaking. With a new financial software system, the County will ensure use of best practices and improve the efficiency and effectiveness of its accounting and reporting processes. The new system will reduce the risk of errors, improve internal controls, provide for better cashflow and budgeting monitoring, provide timely management information, and ultimately reduce work-related stress for countless employees.

Comptroller Phillips' office will be leading the project and has contracted with public accounting and consulting firm Plante Moran to assist with the pre-implementation phase. Plante Moran is known for bringing cutting edge technical expertise, combined with an emphasis on people, process their experience, and culture.

About the Comptroller's Office

Comptroller Elaine Phillips is the independent protector of the taxpayers and residents of Nassau County. With a population of more than 1.35 million people and an annual budget of approximately \$3.68 billion, Nassau County relies on Comptroller Phillips and her dedicated staff to monitor Nassau's budget and financial operations, report on matters that affect Nassau's financial health, proactively advocate for operational efficiency on behalf of the taxpayers, and audit government departments and outside agencies that do business with the county to uncover and prevent waste, fraud, and inefficiency. Each year, the Comptroller's Office reviews thousands of contracts and reviews and approves approximately 100,000 payments.

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