

Government Fiscal Sustainability Workgroup

Virtual Winter Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, December 2, 2020

**Theme: Understanding the State and Local Government Response to COVID-19 Pandemic**

1:00 pm Opening Remarks - Eric Scorsone, Michigan State University

1:15 pm Fiscal Health of California Cities Interactive Dashboard – Mike Tilden, Deputy State Auditor, California State Auditor’s Office

1:45 pm State Updates

Let’s wrap up our 2020 discussion with the following two questions.

Looking back:

- You’ve shared with the workgroup updates your state has enacted in laws to deal with the COVID-19 crisis as it relates to local government finances, we’d like an update on whether those changes will continue, any new changes to be introduced, and whether any changes are to expire, and if yes, when?

Looking forward:

- Are you seeing or feeling that 2021 is going to be a more difficult year, financially for local units? What are the factors informing this opinion? What general financial risks to local governments do you see going forward?

2:55 pm Wrap up and next steps:

- Next virtual meetings in February, May, December 2021.
- In person meeting September/October 2021 (fingers crossed)
- Please continue sharing resources and information with workgroup members
- Other ways we can assist each other