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CY 2026/SFY 2027 State Aid: Recapitulation & Payment Schedules

The CY 2026/ SFY 2027 State Aid breakdown and amounts for each payment cycle are now available on the Division's [Municipal State Aid webpage](#) under the [State Aid Recapitulation and Payment Schedules](#) heading. This Notice summarizes the State Aid payment program for CY 2026 and SFY 2027 municipal budgets - please read it carefully.

Energy Tax Receipts Aid

The Fiscal Year 2027 State Budget did not change the original aid certifications for Energy Tax Receipts (ETR). The Recapitulation form displays a net amount reflecting all formula elements. Consolidated Municipal Property Tax Relief Aid (CMPTRA) has been folded into ETR.

The CY 2026 Supplemental ETR payment will be made July 15, 2026. The SFY 2027 payment will be made June 15, 2027. SFY municipalities receiving these funds for SFY 2026 were paid in June 2026.

Watershed Moratorium Offset Aid & Open Space PILOT

Municipalities receiving Watershed Moratorium Offset Aid will receive those funds as part of the October 1 State Aid payment. Payments in lieu of taxes from the Open Space PILOT (formerly Garden State Trust) program made in the fall of 2026 are for all CY 2026 and SFY 2027 budgets. The FY 2027 appropriation for Garden State Trust Aid is \$7.983 million.

Payment Schedules

The ETR Aid installment payment schedules are unchanged for Calendar Year and State Fiscal Year municipalities. Payments are subject to adjustment based on the municipality's compliance with the upcoming Best Practices Questionnaire.

The following schedule details direct deposit dates for ACH payments:*

Statutory Payment Date	Percent of Aid	ACH Deposit Date
August 1	45%	<i>August 3</i>
September 1	30%	<i>September 1</i>
October 1	15%	<i>October 1</i>
November 1	5%	<i>November 2</i>
December 1 (CY and TY)	5%	<i>December 1</i>
June 1 (SFY)	5%	<i>June 1</i>

*Subject to adjustment resulting from municipality's response to the Division's Best Practices Questionnaire.

The statutory payment date and deposit date for the Senior Citizens and Veterans Tax Deductions is November 1. A separate Local Finance Notice will identify the amounts and breakdown.

The payment date for Open Space PILOT and Watershed Moratorium Offset Aid is October 1.

Calendar Year Transitional Aid will be disbursed pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding that each Transitional Aid recipient must execute.

Municipalities that are obligated to make payment to fire districts for aid allocated under the old Supplemental Fire Services Program shall do so by November 1.

Changes in Deposit Information & Vendor Payment Inquiries

Any changes in the municipality's depository bank must be reported to the State Department of Treasury as soon as possible for entry into the payment computer system. If the bank or account number changes, the [Credit Authorization Agreement for Automatic Deposits form](#) and instructions can be obtained from the Office of Management and Budget (NJ OMB) [forms webpage](#).

The NJ OMB [Vendor Payment Inquiry system](#) provides State payees information related to payments received from the New Jersey Comprehensive Financial System (NJCFS). An [online tutorial](#) provides instructions on how to sign up for the system and look up payment information.

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Document	Internet Address
Municipal State Aid webpage	https://www.nj.gov/dca/dlgs/resources/Muni_StateAid.shtml
Recap. & Payment Schedule	https://www.nj.gov/dca/dlgs/resources/MuniStateAid/Muni_Aid_Payment_Schedule/FY26-27%20Municipal%20Aid%20Payment%20Schedule.xls
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