

DOUGLAS COUNTY CLERK CELEBRATES SUNSHINE WEEK OFFERING A VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE



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Sunshine Week, March 13-19, 2011, is a national initiative to open a dialogue about **the importance of open government** and freedom of information (www.sunshineweek.org). In recognition of Sunshine Week, Douglas County Clerk Tom Cavanaugh has announced convenient public availability of numerous financial reports on the Clerk's website, www.douglascountyclerk.org.

Cavanaugh said that while the Clerk's office always welcomes visitors and celebrates the openness called for in Sunshine Week all year round, it is important to remind our citizens of how much financial information is easily available to them. Along with placing all supplier payments for 2010 on the Clerk's website (click on 2010 Calendar Year Supplier Payments), each week the Clerk provides a listing of weekly payments approved by the County Board of Commissioners on this website (click on Weekly Supplier Checks), and posts monthly budget reports for Douglas County departments (click on County Financial Reports).

Cavanaugh said, **"This is an efficient and effective way for the citizens we serve to conveniently see how their tax dollars are being spent."**

In addition to financial information like the county's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and the payment information mentioned above, citizens can find the county's Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR), as well as information about obtaining a marriage license, SID officers, tax rates and County Board proceedings. A **new marriage license report** with information about the marriage license process is available for couples and those performing marriage ceremonies (click on Douglas County 2010 Marriage License Annual Report).

As part of the Clerk's **"We Work for You"** program, Cavanaugh encourages citizens to contact him if they have ideas about other information the Clerk's office can make available to them online.

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