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6 Things to Look Forward to in December

by
FMIS Team

Blount County's Financial Management Information System (FMIS) project team has been hard at work since 2016 and we are in the final stages of preparing for a successful implementation! Tyler Munis is an industry leading software system that is used across the world by governments small and large. Through extensive system set up and business process redesign work done thus far by the Finance, Purchasing, and IT departments, Blount County is poised to take its financial processes to the next level. Here's what we can look forward to in December 2018:

1. From the Desk of Randy Vineyard
Hello everyone!

I've asked the team to take a hard look at how we approach this project. I wanted a new approach that would increase our odds of success. We need to do a better job of communicating and a new approach to training. We need to focus on results.

challenge each of you to dig in, try the new system, test your processes. If you run into problems, reach out to your FMIS team. Let them know what you think. Ask questions. Expect answers.

Like all projects of this size, I realize we're not going please everyone. However, with your help, our systems will only be better.

-Randy Vineyard

2. Weekly Update Emails, How-to's, and Challenges

FMIS Newsletters will be weekly for the month of December- and they will be filled with how-to's, challenges, and more.



3. Extensive Training Plan for January 2019

In the weeks leading up to implementation, training sessions will be available to refresh what you may have already learned and go through department-specific scenarios. We want you to be as comfortable using Munis as you were using the AS/400.

Jenny Montgomery (IT Department) will contact department heads and their key users to review training plans. If you do not have a training plan by December 3rd, 2018, please reach out to her at jmontgomery@blounttn.org to schedule the time to create one.



**"I want you to start using the new software.
It's 25% softer than the old software."**

Not only will there be personal training sessions, but you can also look forward to weekly "spotlight training" based on the most common questions. Look forward to next week's newsletter for the first spotlight!

5. Frequently Asked Questions- Anytime, Anywhere!

We are happy to introduce the new FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions) site! [Click here](#) to be taken to a site where you can ask questions- ANY question about ANY thing related to FMIS, the implementation of FMIS, or even the future of FMIS.

Ask about training, processes, or even something you may have heard. There's no such thing as a bad question! Chances are, if you've thought about it - someone else has, too. We would love to hear from you!

6. The Holidays!

Happy Holidays! We hope that through the rush of preparing for the holidays, our hard work with this system will make your job easier!

Thanks for Reading!

Remember to check your inbox for FMIS updates, how-to's, handy tips, and more in the next newsletter.

See you next week!

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