



**ORANGE
COUNTY
FLORIDA**

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**TOURIST DEVELOPMENT TAX COLLECTIONS
ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

ORLANDO, FLORIDA – Orange County Comptroller Phil Diamond announced today that tourist tax collections (resort tax) received by Orange County for the March 2019 TDT collection month were \$30,967,000. Tourist taxes are charged on short-term rentals, mostly hotels and motels.

Comptroller Diamond indicated that March 2019 collections were 0.3% higher than March 2018. “It’s not a huge increase but it is good to see the numbers continuing to go up after January’s decrease. With Summer coming up, hopefully the numbers will continue to increase,” stated Diamond.

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TOURIST DEVELOPMENT TAX COLLECTIONS
ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
FISCAL YEAR 2019 (10/1/18-9/30/19)

Monthly Collections

	<u>Budget to Actual</u>			
	<u>FY 2019 Budget(1)</u>	<u>FY 2019 Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Percentage Difference</u>
Hotel Collection Month of March 2019	\$29,754,000	\$30,967,000	\$1,213,000	4.1% up

<u>Actual to Actual</u>				
	<u>FY 2018 Actual</u>	<u>FY 2019 Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Percentage Difference</u>
	\$30,867,800	\$30,967,000	\$99,200	0.3% up

Cumulative Collections

	<u>Budget to Actual</u>			
	<u>FY 2019 Budget(1)</u>	<u>FY 2019 Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Percentage Difference</u>
Thru Hotel Collection Month of March 2019	\$141,345,000	\$150,274,000	\$8,929,000	6.3% up

<u>Actual to Actual</u>				
	<u>FY 2018 Actual</u>	<u>FY 2019 Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Percentage Difference</u>
	\$145,655,800	\$150,274,000	\$4,618,200	3.2% up

- (1) On January 29, 2019, the Board of County Commissioners approved increasing the FY 2019 revenue budget by \$5,000,000 or 1.9%.

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