ALLEGAN COUNTY EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK

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Subject: OVERTIME & COMPENSATORY TIME

1. OVERTIME: Overtime shall be compensated according to State and Federal law. All actual work performed by a non-exempt employee in excess of forty (40) hours within the workweek will be compensated at time and one half (1½x) the employee's regular rate of pay. Overtime will not be paid for less than fifteen (15) minutes in any one-day. All employees will be expected to work reasonable amounts of overtime upon request. No overtime will be worked without direct approval from the employee's department head and must be in accordance with the departmental budget.

- 2. <u>COMPENSATORY TIME</u>: Compensatory Time is defined as time off granted to a nonexempt employee as compensation for hours worked in addition to the employee's regularly scheduled work week in lieu of a payment for overtime. Compensatory time is earned at a rate of one and one-half hours for each hour actually worked over forty (40) hours in the established workweek or as established by collective bargaining agreement
 - 2.1 Prior to working overtime any non exempt employee must have the direct approval from their department head, and must have a mutual agreement with the department head that the time will be accrued as compensatory time in the payroll system.
 - **2.1.1** State and Federal law requires the employer to compensate the employee for any compensatory time remaining upon the termination of employment.
 - 2.1.2 The employer can require an employee to utilize any portion of their compensatory time to reduce their accrued amounts of compensatory time (i.e. prior to use of PTO, while on Worker's Compensation or disability leave, FMLA, etc).
 - **2.1.3** Nonexempt employees may accrue compensatory time up to a maximum of eighty (80) hours, unless specified differently in a collective bargaining agreement.

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- 2.1.4 Department heads shall ensure that all approved compensatory time that an employee has earned and that has been used is recorded on the employee's time card as it occurs and that the time card is forwarded to the payroll section during the normal payroll submission schedule.
- The Budget and Finance Director shall ensure that a permanent record of compensatory time accrued and used is kept on all employees based on information provided by Department heads and that the proper financial transactions are completed at the end of each pay period. The Budget and Finance Director shall ensure that compensatory time is shown on the bi-weekly pay sheets.