

Sauk County, Wisconsin
Sauk County Register of Deeds 2018 annual report

2017 Highlights: Several projects, over many years, finally came together in 2017. By adding the scanned images of our Grantor/Grantee index books, coupled with the image conversion download from 2016, online users are now able to search a property from the present going back as far as the 1840s.

2017 Goals Review

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OBJECTIVE	WAS THIS OBJECTIVE REACHED IN 2017?
	Yes or No (If no, please provide comment)
Maintain a grantor/grantee index and a tract index by recording all real estate documents that meet statutory recording requirements	Yes
File all births, deaths, and marriages occurring in Sauk County. Issue, upon request by qualified applicants, certified copies of those records	Yes

Changes / Accomplishments:

*All of the Grantor/Grantee books were scanned and are now available on the Register of Deeds website.

*The use of credit cards continues to rise, as total credit/debit tender exceeded \$23,740, which marks an increase of 18% over 2016.

* We will continue to utilize the redaction software by processing the current recordings to remove any social security numbers.

*Over 10,500 legacy documents were entered into the computerized grantor/grantee index, along with any relevant reference numbers. To date, over 29,500 have been entered. Process is ongoing.

* 2017 marks the first year of statewide issuance of vital records. Any birth occurring in the state of Wisconsin is now available from the Sauk County Register of Deeds.

Statistical Summary:

OUTPUT MEASURES

DESCRIPTION	2015 ACTUAL	2016 ACTUAL	2017 ACTUAL
Documents recorded	19,147	21,003	16,989
Vital records filed (total)	2111	2277	2226
Copies of vital records issued	10,392	10,971	11,364
ROD revenue (Gross total)	\$1,948,991.00	\$1,948,659.00	\$1,837,533.00
ROD revenue submitted to State	\$1,152,948	\$1,119,302.00	\$1,101,507
ROD revenue to Sauk County land records modernization	\$151,575.00	\$168,048	\$135,208.00
ROD revenue to general fund	\$644,468.00	\$661,309.00	\$600,818.00

OUTCOME AND EFFICIENCY MEASURES

DESCRIPTION	2015 ACTUAL	2016 ACTUAL	2017 ACTUAL
Online (LandShark) revenue	\$44,788.00	\$47,420.00	\$52,050.00
Staff generated copy revenue	\$9,296.00	\$8,357.00	\$6,900.00
Docs recorded electronically and % of total	8,279 / 44%	7,296 / 35%	6,112 / 36%
Real Estate transfer fees	\$243,666.00	\$233,526.00	\$231,594.00