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CA Controller Announces Open Data Website Award

SACRAMENTO — State Controller Betty T. Yee announced today that her office's ByTheNumbers Open Data Project web portal has received a 2015 Best of the Web Award from the Center for Digital Government. ByTheNumbers won in the "Driving Digital Government" category.

The ByTheNumbers.sco.ca.gov website, launched a year ago under former Controller, now Treasurer, John Chiang, is a multi-faceted government transparency tool to help Californians analyze the financial records of local governments. The Controller's Office has posted more than 60 million fields of information to this site, covering 12 years of data.

"Congratulations to my dedicated and innovative web team!" said Yee. "This award is well-deserved and I look forward to continuing our efforts to find inventive ways to promote government accountability and transparency."

The ByTheNumbers website allows taxpayers to track revenues, expenditures, and other financial data reported by California's 58 counties, more than 450 cities, and more than 4,800 special districts. Also included is data for each of California's 130 state and local government pension plans.

The website uses state-of-the-art technology to make valuable public information easily accessible, allowing users to slice and dice information to spot trends and analyze spending. Visitors can create custom reports tailored to their interests.

The Best of the Web, part of the 20th Annual Digital Government Achievement Awards, recognizes a broad range of digital accomplishments in state and local government and education. Click [here](#) for a full list of award winners.

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