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Broome County Clerk Mihalko Announces That E-Z Passes Are Now Available at the Broome County DMV Offices

Broome County Clerk Joseph Mihalko today announced that E-Z Pass tags can be purchased locally through the E-Z Pass On-the-Go Program at the local DMV offices in Binghamton and Endicott.

The two DMV offices at 81 Chenango Street and 137 Washington Avenue will sell the E-Z Pass tags at a cost of \$25 per tag to members of the public. That \$25 is then credited to the customer's account, when the customer conveniently sets up their E-Z Pass accounts online. These two local DMV offices can accept cash or checks to pay for E-Z Pass tags.

These E-Z Pass tags are <u>only for private</u>, <u>passenger vehicles</u>. Other types of vehicles, like motorcycles and commercial vehicles, should contact the Thruway Authority directly at 1-800-333-8655.

"We are happy to offer yet another service to the public," said County Clerk Mihalko. "More local motorists can join the millions of New Yorkers who are already saving time and money while enjoying the many benefits of E-Z Pass. I want to encourage all of our local drivers to take advantage of the most convenient way to pay tolls and sign up for E-Z Pass."

"E-Z Pass is now used in 16 states in the Northeast and Midwest. New York State is moving to a cashless tolling system by the end of 2020, which means no more traditional toll booths. Instead, there will be large electronic overhangs that scan your E-Z Pass to charge the toll. Those who don't have E-Z Pass will get a bill mailed to them so they can pay the toll. Billed tolls will be higher than if paid with an E-Z Pass. This is the wave of the future for traveling on toll roads."

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