

Tim Flaherty is the Managing Partner of Flaherty Salmin CPAs in Rochester. With a continually growing affordable housing practice, he brings to NYSFAFH over three decades of experience in providing high-quality affordable housing tax, accounting, and consulting services throughout the Northeast.

Tim believes NYSFAFH is a vital organization that supports its members in their advocacy for building stronger communities. He joined NYSFAFH in 1999, has been a board member since 2007, and the Treasurer since 2012.

“NYSFAFH is a tremendous force and resource,” says Tim. “It has become a powerful network of affordable housing professionals and decision makers with keen insights. I admire what NYSFAFH is doing to keep the affordable housing industry strong both for New York State and nationally. Not only does the affordable housing industry provide much-needed housing, it is a huge catalyst and engine for community development, economic development and job creation.”

Tim first got hooked on affordable housing while at Coopers & Lybrand (now PwC). During his eight years at PwC, his admiration for the creativity that’s required to develop and manage affordable housing projects amid complex rules grew. He then started his own affordable housing practice in 1990 as a cofounder of Flaherty Salmin CPAs (formerly Salmin, Celona, Wehrle & Flaherty, LLP). His strong client base in upstate New York led to referrals throughout the Northeast. He prides himself in making affordable housing and community development a major focus and niche of his firm.

“We are proud to have earned a reputation for being a solid player in affordable housing on a regional and national level,” says Flaherty. In a recent client satisfaction survey, we achieved a net promoter score more than four times higher than the accounting industry average. Our service philosophy is client-centric,” Tim says. “Ultimately, when our clients are well served, it’s the residents in all of our communities who win.”