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Dear Taxpayer,

My office has certified the 2024 Real Property and Tangible Personal Property Assessment Rolls for Palm Beach County to the Tax Collector.

Property tax bills should arrive in mailboxes soon. The Palm Beach County Tax Collector's Office is responsible for printing and mailing them on or before November 1.

As for my office, we're already hard at work preparing for next year's valuations.

This is a great time of year to consider securing your property against fraud. The Palm Beach County Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller offers a free Property Fraud Alert service. More about that is in this month's newsletter.

As we celebrate Veterans Day this month, I also wanted to highlight exemptions available to veterans and active duty military. We honor the service and sacrifice of those in our armed forces and their commitment to protecting our country.

I hope this Thanksgiving finds you with much to be thankful for. As always, I am thankful to be your Property Appraiser.

Angela Singley, Residential Appraiser I Trainee

Respectfully,

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Dorothy Jacks, CFA, FIAAO, AAS Palm Beach County Property Appraiser

Military Exemptions and Discounts

These are available to those who qualify for a homestead exemption and who have been honorably discharged.

Veterans 65 or Older Combat Related Disability Discount: Disabled veterans, age 65 or older, who are partially or totally and permanently disabled, have a disability that was combat-related, and have been honorably discharged upon separation from military service may be eligible for a discount to ad valorem taxes to the percent of their disability.

Veterans Disability Exemption: Veterans with a total and permanent disability that was service-connected may be eligible for an exemption from ad valorem taxes. Veterans with a service-connected disability of 10 percent or more may be eligible for an additional \$5,000 exemption. Veterans with a non-service connected disability may be eligible for an additional \$5,000 exemption.

Surviving Spouse of a Military Veteran Exemption:

The surviving spouse of a deceased veteran who qualified for a total and permanent disabled veteran exemption is exempt from ad valorem taxes. The surviving spouse of a deceased veteran who died in the line of duty is exempt from ad valorem taxes. The surviving spouse of a military veteran who died from service-connected causes while on active duty is exempt from ad valorem taxes.

Active Duty Military Exemption: An exemption is available for service members of any branch of the U.S. Military, U.S. Coast Guard and Florida National Guard who were deployed during the preceding calendar year on active duty outside the continental United States, Alaska, or Hawaii in support of various military operations listed in the Florida Statute 193.173 (2).

The amount of the exemption is equal to the taxable value of the homestead of the service member on January 1 of the year the exemption is sought, multiplied by the number of days that the service member was on a qualified deployment in the preceding calendar year and divided by the number of days in that year. We will do the math for you.

More information is available at pbcpao.gov. You can always call us at 561.355.2866 or email us at myexemption@pbcpao.gov with questions.



Holiday Office Closures

The offices of the Palm Beach County Property Appraiser, including our five Service Centers, will be closed:

Monday, November 11, 2024 – Veterans Day
Thursday, November 28, 2024 – Thanksgiving Day
Friday, November 29, 2024 – Floating Holiday



Protect Your Property With Fraud Alert

Scammers commit property fraud by filing fake deeds, making it appear as if they own homes that are not actually theirs. Then, they trick people into giving them money to rent or buy those homes.

The Property Fraud Alert from the Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller is a free service to help you protect your property from fraud by monitoring the

Holiday Food Drive

This month kicks off the Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's Office's annual Holiday Food Drive. The special food-raising campaign is in its 25th year.

Last year, 4,609 pounds of food were collected from staff and donated to Extended Hands Community

documents being recorded in the Official Records of the Clerk's office.

Register to receive free email alerts when a document such as a deed or mortgage is recorded using your name, your business's name, or your address. This early notification can save time when stopping scams.

Sign up at: mypalmbeachclerk.com.

Outreach and The Glades Initiative.

The Property Appraiser's Office encourages and supports employee community service throughout Palm Beach County. Our employees are dedicated to giving back to the community that we serve.

Our office's 2023 donation; From left to right: Chief Appraiser Cecil Jackson, RES, AAS; staff from Extended Hands; Public Services Manager Virginia Leonard, CFE; Public Services Department Specialist Clarice Bethel-Laing; Public Services Department Customer Service Representative II Robert Castillo (kneeling); Public Services Department Customer Service Representative II Sade Neuforth; Extended Hands Community Outreach Executive Director Coeliah Bryson; Director of Information Technology Richard Hernandez, CGCIO, AAS, ITIL, CFE







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