

TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR VENTURA COUNTY



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Questions Regarding Pre-Paying Property Taxes

We have received a number of inquiries from property owners who wish to "pre-pay" property taxes prior to January 1, 2018, when a cap in the dollar amount of state and local taxes that may be deducted for federal income tax purposes is due to take effect as a result of the recent federal tax bill.

Property owners who wish to pay the second installment of the 2017-2018 property tax bill before January 1st may do so this month. Payment options are as follows:

PAY ONLINE – To make payments online, go to venturapropertytax.org, and select "Pay Your Taxes" in the upper left hand corner menu. You may pay online by using an eCheck or credit card. Please note that there is a convience fee charged on all eCheck (\$1.50 per transaction) and credit card (2.15% or \$1.00 minimum) payments.

BY MAIL – Please include the payment stub from the bill and mail to the "Ventura County Tax Collector" PO Box 51179, Los Angeles, CA 90051-5479.

PAY IN PERSON – Cash, check, money order and cashier's check are accepted at 800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura, CA 93009, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, Monday through Friday, excluding County holidays.

PAY BY DROP BOX – Check payments are accepted in our Drop Box in the Hall of Administration Building at 800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura, CA 93009. The box is available as soon as the building itself opens which is 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Please note that receipts are not immediately available but if you request a receipt with your payment, a receipt can be mailed or emailed to you with the information provided.

Important notes: Property owners may not pre-pay their 2018-2019 property taxes in December 2017. The 2018-2019 property tax bills against which these pre-payments would be credited will not be generated and mailed until September/October 2018.

The Assessor or Auditor-Controller do not accept payments; this is solely a function of the Tax Collector. Any payments submitted to the Assessor or Auditor-Controller will be returned.

For questions, please call the Ventura County property tax information line at 805-654-3744 or email <u>HelpingHand@ventura.org</u>.