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2023 Property Tax Statements to Be Mailed September 15

GAINESVILLE, Ga. (September 11, 2023) – With the arrival of property tax season, the Hall County Tax Commissioner's Office is preparing to issue approximately 97,000 tax statements this month for real and personal property.

This year's Hall County property tax statements will be mailed Sept. 15 – with a due date of Nov. 15. The tax bills will also be available for viewing by mid-September on the Hall County Tax Commissioner's website at HallCountyTax.org.

"Our recently redesigned website is a convenient resource for property tax information," said Darla Eden, Hall County Tax Commissioner. "The site makes it much easier to find out what you owe, how to pay, and who to contact with questions."

Information on HallCountyTax.org also includes up-to-date information on the payment status of property tax bills for all parcels.

For properties that changed ownership during the year, the official property owner on Jan. 1 is responsible for that year's property tax. If property is purchased or sold after Jan. 1, it is the responsibility of the buyer and seller to determine who will pay the owed tax by the due date. You should refer to your property closing documents or the closing attorney to determine tax liability for the current year to ensure proper payment to the Hall County Tax Commissioner's Office.

For property owners with property-tax escrow accounts, tax information is made available to mortgage companies for payment; however, the property owner is still responsible for ensuring taxes are paid by the due date.

New in 2023: Property Tax Bill Credit

A new development this year is the Homeowner Tax Relief Grant provided by the Georgia General Assembly and Governor's Office. This grant will appear as a credit on each 2023 property tax bill with a homestead exemption. Eligible property owners will receive a one-time reduction of the assessed value of homesteaded property by \$18,000, which will apply to School Maintenance & Operation, County Maintenance & Operation, and Fire Service millage rates. The

exact amount of the credit will vary based on the assessed value of the property and applicable millage rates.

Save a Trip. Skip the Line.

"Our office is dedicated to offering a range of payment options that cater to our community's needs." Eden said. "I encourage property owners to utilize our many convenient tools to 'save a trip and skip the line.'"

- Make your payment quickly and securely online at hallcountytax.org. Online payment methods include E-Check (\$1.50 flat fee), PayPal (3.99 flat fee), PayPal Credit, and debit/credit card (2.5% fee). Most major credit cards are accepted. PayPal Credit is available for eligible residents, provides a same-as-cash option, and is interest-free for six months if paid in full. (Terms and conditions apply.)
- Another option is payment by mail, using the pay slip and return envelope provided with the statement, to P.O. Box 1579, Gainesville, GA 30503.
- Individuals may also use the secure, 24/7 drive-up drop box located under the breezeway across from the entrance to the Hall County Government Center (HCGC) at 2875 Browns Bridge Road.
- If you prefer, customer clerks at the Tax Office's Call Center are ready to assist with credit and debit card payments over the phone at (770) 531-6950.
- Payments may be made in person. Appointments are preferred. Please visit www.hallcountytax.org/appointments.

For property tax questions, please contact the Hall County Tax Commissioner's Office by phone at (770) 531-6950 option 3, email propertytax@hallcounty.org, or text 833-602-8497. Our office is open Monday-Friday from 8am – 5pm. To make an appointment, visit www.hallcountytax.org/appointments.

In Hall County, the Tax Commissioner's primary role is the billing and collection of local property taxes. Property values are determined by the Hall County Board of Assessors, while millage rates are set by the County Commission and Board of Education as well as each of the municipalities within Hall County. One mill equals \$1 of tax for every \$1,000 of assessed value.

If you own property within the city limits of Gainesville, Flowery Branch, Buford, or Oakwood, you will receive a separate city tax bill from that municipality in addition to the Hall County property tax statement.

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