



OFFICE OF **ALBERT URESTI**, MPA, PCC BEXAR COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR

"Working to Help Keep Families In Their Homes with an emphasis on helping our Senior Citizens, our Disabled, our Veterans, and ultimately our Children."

PROPERTY TAX NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2017



Thank you for the honor of serving as your Tax Assessor-Collector. The Tax Office remains committed to providing our citizens and businesses the best customer service possible. We now have shorter wait times and comfortable seating, so you no longer have to stand in line. We have new programs and on-line services to make paying your taxes easier, including the **ONLY 10-Month Payment Plan in the State of Texas for Senior Citizens, Disabled Citizens, and Disabled Veterans.**

- Albert Uresti

NEW FOR 2017-18

- Construction of the County's first Drive-Thru has begun at the Southside Tax Office located at 3505 Pleasanton Road.
- Our office has begun assessing and collecting property taxes for Judson Independent School District and for the first time will now collect property taxes for ALL taxing jurisdictions in Bexar County.
- Remodeling and expansion of our Tax Assessor-Collector's Northeast Tax Office has been completed.
- Remodeling and disabled access improvements have begun at the Downtown Tax Office.
- The City of Balcones Heights has increased their Age 65 and Over and Disability Exemptions to \$65,000.
- San Antonio ISD has increased the minimum Residential Homeowners Exemption to \$30,000.

PAYMENT OPTIONS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS, DISABLED CITIZENS, & DISABLED VETERANS

QUARTER PAYMENT PLAN

This four equal payment option is available to qualified property owners who have a Homestead Exemption and who also have a 65 and Over, Disabled Person, or Disabled Veteran Exemption.

- At least one-fourth of the total tax bill must be paid by January 31, 2018.

10-MONTH PAYMENT PLAN

This new AWARD WINNING ten equal payment option is for qualified property owners who have a Homestead Exemption and who also have a 65 and Over, Disabled Person, or Disabled Veteran Exemption.

- Allows payments in ten equal monthly installments beginning in October and continuing through July.

AUTOMATIC PAYMENT DEDUCTIONS

- Allows for automatic payment deductions from credit cards, checking accounts, or savings accounts.
- Enrollment can be done over the phone or in person. (Online enrollment will soon be available.)
- Notification is sent by email 48 hours before a payment deduction is made.

PRE-PAYMENT PLAN

- Allows homeowners and businesses without an escrow account to pre-pay their taxes in monthly installments with no penalty or interest.

HALF-PAYMENT PLAN

This option is available to all Taxpayers and Businesses for both real and business personal property accounts. Payable in two equal installments without penalty or interest if you pay:

- 1st half by November 30, 2017;
- 2nd half by June 30, 2018*.

(*Date extended to the next business day.)

REMINDER: THE BEXAR APPRAISAL DISTRICT (BCAD) SETS PROPERTY VALUES AND IS A SEPARATE ORGANIZATION FROM THE BEXAR COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR'S OFFICE. THE TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR DOES NOT SET OR RAISE PROPERTY VALUES OR TAX RATES; WE ONLY COLLECT TAXES ON BEHALF OF THE TAXING JURISDICTIONS. FOR MORE INFORMATION ON PROPERTY VALUES, CALL BCAD AT (210) 242-2432.

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CUSTOMER SERVICE LOCATIONS

(Directions can be found on our website.)

MAIN OFFICE - DOWNTOWN

Vista Verde Plaza Building
 233 N. Pecos la Trinidad
 San Antonio, Texas 78207

NORTHWEST OFFICE

8407 Bandera Road
 San Antonio, Texas 78250

NORTHEAST OFFICE

3370 Nacogdoches Road #160
 San Antonio, Texas 78217

SOUTHSIDE OFFICE

3505 Pleasanton Road
 San Antonio, Texas 78221

Open Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM - 4:45 PM

For your convenience, we have extended hours on Wednesdays until 6:30 PM.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

"IF YOU ARE 65 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER, OR ARE DISABLED, OR ARE A DISABLED VETERAN, AND YOU OCCUPY THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THIS DOCUMENT AS YOUR RESIDENCE HOMESTEAD, YOU SHOULD CONTACT THE APPRAISAL DISTRICT REGARDING ANY ENTITLEMENT YOU MAY HAVE TO A POSTPONEMENT IN THE PAYMENT OF THESE TAXES." FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT BEXAR APPRAISAL DISTRICT AT (210) 242-2432.

ELECTRONIC STATEMENT

For your convenience, the Office of the Bexar County Tax Assessor - Collector now offers Taxpayers the option of receiving their certified Bexar County Property Tax Statement via email. To register for this free, convenient, and environmentally friendly service, log on to our website at www.bexar.org/tax and select e-STATEMENTS from the Property Taxes drop-down menu.

Note: Failure to receive a tax bill, including a tax bill that has been requested to be sent electronically, does not extend the delinquency date.

BUSINESS RENDITION REMINDER

Business Personal Property Renditions must be filed every year by April 1st to avoid a 10% late reporting penalty. Forms can be found online at www.bcad.org.

PROPERTY VALUE PROTEST REMINDER

Tuesday, May 15, 2018, is the last day to appeal your proposed 2018 property values with the Bexar Appraisal District. Form 50-132 can be found online at www.bcad.org.

IMPORTANT TAX PAYMENT DATES

OCTOBER 2017

Tax Statement mailing begins.

NOVEMBER 30, 2017

1st HALF-PAYMENT due.

JANUARY 31, 2018

Last day to pay 2017 tax bill without penalty and interest (if an active lawsuit exists for a previous year, attorney fees are added to 2017 tax bill on February 1, 2018).

MARCH 30, 2018

Last day to pay 2017 business personal property taxes without accruing attorney fees.

JUNE 30, 2018*

- 2nd HALF-PAYMENT due.
- Last day to make a payment arrangement for past due taxes in order to avoid attorney fees (if an active lawsuit does not exist).

QUARTER PAYMENT DUE DATES**

- 1st Quarter payment is due by: JANUARY 31, 2018;
- 2nd Quarter payment is due by: MARCH 31, 2018*;
- 3rd Quarter payment is due by: MAY 31, 2018;
- 4th Quarter payment is due by: JULY 31, 2018.

**Any late quarter payment incurs a penalty of 6% for the first month plus 1% interest per month until paid in full. (Between February 1 and February 28, 2018, Taxpayers can still join the Quarter Payment Plan with applicable late fees.)

(*Date extended to the next business day.)

Late payments are subject to the PENALTY and INTEREST SCHEDULE below:

Month Paid	Penalty	Interest	Total	Collection Penalty
February	6%	1%	7%	
March	7%	2%	9%	
April	8%	3%	11%	15-20% for business personal property only
May	9%	4%	13%	
June	10%	5%	15%	
July	12%	6%	18%	15-20%
August	12%	7%	19%	15-20%
September	12%	8%	20%	15-20%
October	12%	9%	21%	15-20%
November	12%	10%	22%	15-20%
December	12%	11%	23%	15-20%

Interest accrues at 1% per month until account is paid in full.