



MICHAEL BAUMGARTNER

THE TREASURER OF SPOKANE COUNTY



Dear Taxpayers,

Enclosed is your 2022 Spokane County property tax statement. The deadline for your first half payment is April 30th and second half payments are due by October 31st. The Treasurer's Office does not set your property tax rates or assess your home value. It is our job to collect, safeguard, and invest your taxes fairly and with accountability.

On the pie chart that accompanies your tax statement, you can find a proportional breakdown of what government services your tax dollars support. Did you know that not every taxpayer's pie chart looks the same, because different parts of Spokane County have different tax burdens? Or that on average over 40% of your tax bill is self-imposed by voters through levy and bond measures?

As your Treasurer, I encourage you to learn as much as possible about how your tax dollars are being spent and the public services they provide for in our community. As such, I'm pleased to let you know I will once again be hosting a **"Taxpayer Town Hall" on Tuesday April 5th from 6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. at Spokane's Northwest Museum of Arts & Culture Auditorium at 2316 W First Avenue.** You are welcome to interact directly with your Treasurer's Office, learn about taxpayer assistance programs, and share your ideas.

On the reverse side of this letter you can find information about payment methods and taxpayer assistance programs for those in need. If you have questions please don't hesitate to contact our office.

We work for you,

Michael Baumgartner, The Treasurer of Spokane County

Payment Methods:

Taxes can be paid by check using the enclosed return envelope, or at our website by e-check. Credit and debit cards are also accepted, but we are required to charge a processing fee for those payments.

In-person tax payments are also accepted at our office at the Courthouse and we are pleased that we have expanded our office hours on Friday afternoons to better serve the public. We know that not everyone is able to make it downtown to visit the Courthouse, so we will once again be operating a satellite Treasurer's Office at the Spokane Valley City Hall on three Fridays in April as another convenient location to make your tax payments.

Spokane Valley City Hall Satellite Tax Collection: Checks or Cards Only

April 15th, April 22nd, and April 29th 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

10210 E. Sprague Ave. Spokane Valley, WA 99206

Mortgage Company Questions:

Many homeowners have their property taxes paid directly by their mortgage company. If you have questions about whether your mortgage company is paying your property taxes, you should contact them directly.

Property Tax Overpayments

Please check your tax bill carefully. No one should pay more in taxes than they actually owe. In 2021, the Treasurer's Office returned over \$5 million in refunds and excess fund payments to taxpayers.

Senior and Disabled Person Exemptions:

Are you a senior or disabled citizen needing assistance paying your property taxes? Under state law, certain persons qualify for tax exemptions, administered by the County Assessor's Office. In some cases, the Treasurer's Office may be able to issue refunds for past taxes if a taxpayer is deemed eligible retroactively. **Contact the Assessor's Office at (509) 477-5754 for questions about the senior or disabled exemption program.**