# News Corner

## **Property Tax Information**

## Important Date!!!

#### First Installment of Annual Secured Property Tax Bill Due

The first installment of the annual property taxes is due on November 1<sup>st</sup>, and will be accepted without penalty, if payment is received or postmarked on or before **December 10**, 2008. After December 10, 2008 the 1<sup>st</sup> installment becomes delinquent and is subject to 10% late payment penalty.



Collector received your tax payment?

You can check the status of your payments at the below website:

http://ttc.lacounty.gov/



Are you confused by your Business Personal Property taxes or Real Property taxes?

### The LA County Property Tax Portal

<u>http://lacountypropertytax.com/portal/contactus/aab.aspx</u> provides information regarding your tax bill. The portal describes how the Assessor, the Auditor Controller Office, Registrar Recorder, Treasurer Tax Collector, and City and County agencies work together on real and personal property taxes.

To find responses to the below questions visit the LA County Property Tax Portal

Tax Bills

- How much do I owe?
- How can I get a copy of my current tax bill?
- When are the taxes due?
- What is a supplemental tax bill?
- What causes a supplemental bill?
- How do I locate my Assessor's identification number (AIN)?
- Why did I receive an unsecured tax bill?
- Why did I get an informational tax bill only?
- Why did I receive a tax bill when I sold the property?

Refunds/Tax Sales/Tax Liens

- How can I find out the amount of my tax bill?
- What should I do if I'm expecting a refund?
- Can I get information on Tax Sales?
- Why do I have a tax lien on my property?
- How do I get a tax lien removed from my property?

To obtain information regarding decline in value, comparable sales to support your real property appeals, download forms from the Assessor's Office and to find the Assessor's responses to the following Frequently Asked Questions and more:

- What requirements need to be met to qualify for temporary tax reduction as a result of damage to my property?
- After my property is rebuilt or repaired, will my property taxes be increased?
- Can I lower my Property Taxes?
- How much are my taxes for the current year?
- How much are my taxes for the prior year?
- Why did I get a supplemental tax bill?
- Can you tell me what this refund is for?
- How do I locate my Assessor's Identification Number?
- What is this Direct Assessment charge on my tax bill?

Visit the Los Angeles County Assessors website at <a href="http://assessor.lacounty.gov/">http://assessor.lacounty.gov/</a>



What should I do if I do not agree with the Assessor's value of my property?

If you disagree with the Assessor's property assessment, you can appeal the assessed value with the Assessment Appeals Board. Contact the Assessment Appeals Board regarding the filing periods for regular, supplemental, or escape assessments.

http://bos.co.la.ca.us/Categories/PropertyTaxAppeals.htm.



Do you have a refund check that has been uncashed from LA County? Wonder where your tax dollars went? The County's Comprehensive Financial Report can be accessed at:

http://auditor.co.la.ca.us/cafr.htm