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***Courtesy Notification. Please disregard if already paid.***

## **Second Installment of the 2022-2023 Annual Secured Property Taxes is Due February 1 and Becomes Delinquent after April 10**

**SANTA CLARA COUNTY, CALIF.**— The County of Santa Clara Department of Tax and Collections (DTAC) representatives remind property owners that the second installment of the 2022-2023 property taxes is due February 1 and becomes delinquent at 5 p.m. on Monday, April 10, 2023. This date is not expected to change due to COVID-19, however, assistance is available to persons with disabilities.

Residents can view and pay taxes online at [www.sccdtac.org](http://www.sccdtac.org). Unpaid property taxes will become delinquent if not paid by 5 p.m. on Monday, April 10, 2023. At that time, a 10% penalty and a \$20 cost will be added to the unpaid balance. California Revenue and Taxation Code Section 2610.5 does not relieve a property owner of the responsibility of making timely payments due to failure to receive a tax bill. If taxpayers do not plan to mail the payment before April 9, we recommend bringing it to a drop box inside the County government building either at 70 West Hedding St. or 852 N. 1<sup>st</sup> St. in San José or sending payment by certified mail to ensure it is postmarked by April 10 to avoid penalties.

Checking Account Payments (eChecks) are free online. The payment process is easy to complete on mobile devices using the [SCC DTAC mobile app](#), or the website. If paying by credit or with debit card, a convenience fee is charged by the payment processing company and must be paid by the taxpayer.

### **Property Tax Distribution**

Property tax distribution details may be viewed at [www.wheredotaxesgo.org](http://www.wheredotaxesgo.org). The collection of property taxes, especially during this pandemic, is critical for the ongoing support of various essential services, such as public health, fire protection, education, parks, and law enforcement.

### **Tax Assistance for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities**

The County mailed a list of available special assessment tax exemptions for seniors and persons with disabilities. The list of cities, schools, and special districts providing these exemptions is available at [www.sccgov.org/sa](http://www.sccgov.org/sa).

Application for the Property Tax Postponement Program offered by the State Controller's Office is now open for qualified seniors and persons with disabilities. The program's application period runs through February 10, 2023. Call (800) 952-5661 or email [postponement@sco.ca.gov](mailto:postponement@sco.ca.gov) to receive an application. Visit the [Property Tax Postponement Program webpage](#) for detailed information.

### **Partial Payments**

Property owners may take advantage of the partial payment program and make multiple partial payments on this installment. Penalties will only be applied to the unpaid portion, after the payment deadline of April 10, 2023.

### **Paperless Billing**

Property owners are reminded to help the environment and *go Paperless!* This is a convenient and safe way to access property tax-related information, such as the assessed value of the homes, tax bills and payment options, to mention a few. Property owners can subscribe for this service at <https://www.sccassessor.org/optin>.

### **Mailed Payments**

The purple envelope and second installment stub already provided will direct payment to:  
Department of Tax and Collections  
70 West Hedding St.  
East Wing, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
San José, CA 95110-1767

The United States Postal Service (USPS) postmark MUST be April 10, 2023, or earlier, to avoid penalties. Taxpayers must be able to provide proof of postmark should payment arrive after this due date. Note that USPS postmarks mail depending on the type of postage used and may not postmark mail on the same day it was deposited in a mailbox.

Property owners who would like additional information about paying their taxes can visit the Department of Tax and Collections' website [www.sccdtac.org](http://www.sccdtac.org) or call (408) 808-7900.

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### **ABOUT THE COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA**

The County of Santa Clara government serves a diverse, multi-cultural population of 1.9 million residents in Santa Clara County, California, making it more populous than 14 states in the U.S. The County provides essential services to its residents, including public health protection, environmental stewardship, medical services through the County of Santa Clara Health System, child and adult protection services, homelessness prevention and solutions, roads, park services, libraries, emergency response to disasters, protection of minority communities and those under threat, access to a fair criminal justice system, and many other public benefits.

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