

TOWNSHIP OF MARLBORO

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Dear Marlboro Township Resident:

Enclosed is your 2020 Final/2021 Preliminary Tax Bill. Please note that the third and fourth quarters represent the remaining amount of your 2020 taxes. The first and second quarters are an estimate for 2021 based on one-half of the total 2020 taxes. Due to a delay in receiving the certified tax rate, the 2020 Final/2021 Preliminary tax bills were mailed out on July 31. State law requires the grace period to be extended to the 25th calendar day after mailing. Therefore, the grace period for 3rd quarter property taxes (due August 1st) has been extended to August 25th. **Please note that interest charges on payments made after the grace period are calculated back to the August 1st due date pursuant to statutory law.**

Tax Information: Property tax information is available online at <https://www.marlboro-nj.gov/departments/tax-collector>

Tax Bill Mailings: Tax bills are mailed annually after the tax rate is certified by the County Tax Board, usually in July. Each tax bill includes stubs for the payments due on August 1st and November 1st of the current year and for the payments due on February 1st and May 1st of the following year. If your taxes are no longer being paid by your mortgage company, you are required to use your Advice Copy Bill to remit property tax payments.

Address or Ownership Changes: If there is a change in your mailing address, please notify the Tax Assessor's office at 732-536-0200 Ext. 1803 or assessor@marlboro-nj.gov. If you sell your property, a copy of your tax bill should be forwarded to the new owner for payment of the remaining quarters.

Tax Office Hours: Due to the ongoing State of Emergency, the municipal building is currently closed to the public. Changes to Township schedules are updated and communicated via the main number 732 536-0200, on the Township website and via social media. The Tax Collector's Office will continue to be staffed Monday through Thursday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. The Township offers the following methods for payment of taxes:

- Mail a check using your payment stub to the Township of Marlboro Tax Collector, 1979 Township Drive, Marlboro, NJ 07746.
- Online through your personal online banking. Allow 7 to 10 business days for bank processing (an actual check is mailed to our office by your bank). **No fees are assessed by the Township.**
- Online through a third party payment processing company by electronic check or credit card at <https://www.marlboro-nj.gov/departments/tax-collector> Click on the link on the right hand side of the page "Pay & View Taxes Online". Once you click on the link, you will need your tax account number (information is on your tax bill). The payment amount will be provided for you. **No fees are assessed by the Township; however, please note that these online payments do involve fees and charges levied by a third party payment processor.**
- A 24 hour drop box is located inside the vestibule of the administration entrance of Town Hall. All payments are credited on the next business day. **Cash payments are not accepted.**

Extended Hours during Tax Quarters: The Tax Collector's Office will be staffed from 8:30 am to 8:00 pm on the following days:

- Tuesday, August 25th
- Tuesday, November 10th
- Wednesday, February 10th
- Monday, May 10th

Grace Period: Pursuant to Statutory law, the Township has established a ten (10) day grace period. All payments are due in the tax office by the close of business at the end of the grace period to avoid interest. If the 10th day falls on a Friday, weekend or holiday, the grace period is extended to the next business day. Please note, **postmarks are not accepted.**

Interest: Pursuant to Statutory law, after the 10 day grace period, interest charges are calculated from the 1st of the month. Interest on delinquent taxes is 8% per annum on the first \$1,500 of the delinquency and 18% per annum on balances in excess of \$1,500. If delinquent taxes in excess of \$10,000 remain at the end of the year, a penalty of 6% will be charged.

Tax Sale: The State requires the Township to hold a tax sale each year for all delinquent taxes. All taxes not paid by November 11th of the current year are eligible for Tax Sale. The tax sale does not transfer ownership of the property; however, a lien is placed on the property, which remains until the delinquency is paid in full.

TAX RELIEF PROGRAMS:

Shop Marlboro: To participate in the program, register a *Shop Marlboro* card online at www.propertytaxcard.com/shopmarlboro. Shop Marlboro Cards can be obtained at Investors Bank (Morganville branch) or in the Administration Office at Town Hall. Receive property tax incentives by shopping at participating stores in Marlboro. Credits are applied to your property taxes once per year in the 3rd quarter (due August 1). Please visit www.propertytaxcard.com or call 732-946-0919 for more information.

Senior Citizens or Disabled or Surviving Spouse Annual Tax Deduction: Annual deduction of \$250 is available for Senior Citizens/Disabled/Surviving Spouse applicants who qualify based on residence and income limitations. Applications can be obtained at the Tax Assessor's Office or online at: http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/pdf/other_forms/lpt/ptd.pdf Please contact 732-536-0200 Ext. 1803 or assessor@marlboro-nj.gov with any questions.

Veterans or Widow of a Veteran Annual Tax Deduction: Annual deduction of \$250 is available for qualified Veterans. Applications can be obtained at the Tax Assessor's Office or online at: http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/pdf/other_forms/lpt/vss.pdf Please contact 732-536-0200 Ext. 1803 or assessor@marlboro-nj.gov with any questions.

New Jersey Homestead Benefit: Applications are mailed to the homeowners directly from the State. For information on this program, please call the Homestead Benefit Hotline 888-238-1233 or visit the website at: <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/homestead/geninf.shtml>

New Jersey Property Tax Reimbursement/"Senior Freeze" (The Blue Book): Applications are mailed to the homeowners directly from the State. If you meet the requirements, you may be eligible for a reimbursement of the difference between the amount of property taxes you paid for the base year (the year you first became eligible and filed) and the amount paid for the year for which you are applying for a reimbursement. Information about completion of PTR-1 or PTR-2 forms can be viewed at <https://www.marlboro-nj.gov/property-tax-reimbursement>. Completed application packets must be submitted to the State for approval. For additional information please call the Property Tax Reimbursement Hotline 800-882-6597 or visit the website at: <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/ptr/index.shtml>

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