Pay Online or By Mail to Keep Our Community Safe

Our office is currently closed due to COVID-19. Go to sftreasurer.org to pay online. If you traditionally pay in-person using cash, you can buy a money order with cash at the Post Office or other locations and mail that instead. You will not be charged late penalties if your online payment is received or your payment envelope is postmarked by USPS prior to the delinquency date.

San Francisco Property Tax Timeline

**July**
Assessor mails taxpayers a Notice of Assessed Value. More info at sfassessor.org.

**September**
Property tax rates approved by Board of Supervisors.

**October 15**
All taxpayers will have received property tax bill.* More info at sftreasurer.org.

**December 10**
Deadline for payment of first installment.

**April 10**
Deadline for payment of second installment.

*Escape or supplemental tax bills may be issued in addition to the annual tax bill due to a change in ownership or new construction.

Rent Board Fee
The Rent Board fee is billed to landlords each year on the property tax bill and landlords are permitted to collect a portion of the fee from tenants. For the 2020-2021 tax year, the rental unit fee is $50 per apartment unit and $25 per residential hotel room. For more information on the Rent Board and fee, call (415) 252-4600 or go to sfrb.org and search fee.

Do you pay your property taxes through your mortgage payment?
If you pay your property taxes through your mortgage payment and you do not see a message about this on your bill, here are some steps you can take today to make sure your mortgage lender or servicer makes timely payment on your behalf:
- Look at a recent mortgage statement to confirm that property taxes are being withheld
- Contact your lender or servicer to confirm they will remit the taxes on your behalf

Need Assistance?
If you’re concerned about your ability to pay and need assistance, go to sftreasurer.org/COVID19property.

Our office has partnered with 311 to provide customer service to all San Francisco residents and businesses. Submit your question by going to sftreasurer.org/help-center or by calling 311 within San Francisco.
Property Taxes Help Keep our City Healthy and Safe

SF Property tax revenue totaled over $3 billion last year and made up about 25% of revenue collected by the city. Now more than ever, the City is relying on your taxes to fund vital services like public health, transportation, fire, and parks and recreation.

There are also several parcel taxes that were passed by voters over the years that support SF Unified School District and City College of SF in providing modern facilities and quality education. For more information on parcel taxes, visit sfusd.edu and search for voter initiatives or visit ccsf.edu and search for parcel tax.

Learn About Property Tax Assistance Programs!

SFUSD Senior Citizen Exemptions

Over the past decade, the citizens of San Francisco approved measures to provide funding to the SF Unified School District. All of these measures included an exemption for seniors living on the property provided they meet certain criteria. For more information, call (415) 355-2203 or go to www.sfusd.edu/seniorexemption.

Please Note: Parcels that received an exemption in 2019-2020 AND continue to meet the eligibility criteria will be automatically exempted for 2020-2021. If you would like to check your status, send an email to SeniorExemptionOffice@sfusd.edu with your block and lot number and the name of the senior occupant on the parcel.

Seniors and People with Disabilities

The State Controller’s Property Tax Postponement Program allows homeowners who are seniors, are blind, or have a disability to defer current-year property taxes if they meet certain criteria. Applications for 2020-21 will be available in September 2020. For more information, call (800) 952-5661 or go to www.sco.ca.gov and search for property tax postponement.

Additional Resources From Our Office

Smart Money Coaching

Our dedicated coaches are here to support you through this difficult time. Our free, confidential, one-on-one financial coaching has transitioned all appointments to phone and video appointments. Smart Money Coaching can help you reduce debt, establish and improve your credit score, begin or increase your savings, and open or transition to a safe, affordable bank account. Go to sfgov.org/ofe and click on Meet a Financial Coach or call 877-256-0073 to schedule an appointment.

COVID-19 Financial Resources

The COVID-19 pandemic has created a deep financial crisis. If you or your family are experiencing financial hardship, you can find resources to assist you with loans, mortgages or rent, utility bills, government fines and fees, and debt collection. To learn more, go to sfgov.org/ofe/covid-19-financial-resources.

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