Questions & Answers

ADDRESS CHANGE

Q: How do I obtain my property location address?

A: Please contact our House Numbering/Planning office at 419-946-1911 for information or to request an address if you do not have one.

Q: How do I change my tax mailing address?

A: You can change your tax mailing address on the back of your tax bill or by contacting the Morrow County Treasurer's Office at 419-947-6070.

BUILDING DESTROYED

Q: How do I report a building that has been torn down, destroyed by fire or other natural disaster? A: Complete this form: DTE 26 and turn it in to our office. The percentage of deduction is determined by the calendar quarter in which the damage occurred. If you have any questions, please call our office at 419-946-4060.

Q: How do I report a manufactured/mobile home that has been torn down, destroyed by fire or other natural disaster?

A: Complete this form: DTE 49 and turn it in to our office. The percentage of deduction is determined by the calendar half in which the damage occurred. If you have any questions, please call our office at 419-946-4060.

CHALLENGE PROPERTY VALUATION

Q: How do I challenge my property valuation?

A: You can file an appeal with the Morrow County Board of Revision. The form and additional rules are available on our website under <u>Board of Revision</u>. The filing period annually is January 1st to March 31st. You can contact the Morrow County Auditor's office at 419-946-4060 if you need any assistance.

COPY OF DEED

Q: How do I get a copy of my deed?

A: You can get a copy of your deed from Recorder's Office. Contact the Morrow County Recorder's Office at 419-947-3060 for information.

DUE DATE

Q: What is the due date for the real estate taxes?

A: Tax bills are mailed and collected by the Morrow County Treasurer's Office. Tax Bills are typically due in February and July but Morrow County does not have set due dates. The Morrow County Treasurer's Office can be reached at 419-947-6070.

O: What is the due date for the manufactured/mobile home taxes?

A: Tax bills are mailed and collected by the Morrow County Treasurer's Office. Manufactured/mobile home tax Bills are due in March and August. The Morrow County Treasurer's Office can be reached at 419-947-6070.

FORECLOSURE SALE INFORMATION

Q: Where do I find foreclosure sale information?

A: Contact the Morrow County Sheriff's Office at 419-946-4444 or visit their website.

NAME CHANGE

Q: My name has changed, how do I have it changed on the Auditor's website?

A: The Auditor's records show names as they appear on the deed of record. If you want your name changed on the Auditor's records a new deed will need to be transferred and recorded.

NEW CONSTRUCTION

Q: How much will my taxes be if I build a new building?

A: You can use **Morrow County Tax Estimator**. If you have any questions, please call our office at 419-946-4060.

NEW OWNER-TAX BILL

Q: I just bought this property, why am I being sent the tax bill?

A: Taxes follow the property so the bill is sent to the current owner. If you feel you should not be responsible for the tax bill, please contact your closing agent for information on how the taxes were handled at closing.

PAYMENT OPTIONS

Q: Does the Auditor's accept credit cards for payment of fees?

A: We do accept credit cards with a cost per transaction to you. We also accept cash or check.

PROPERTY TAX HISTORY

Q: Where do I find history of my property tax amounts?

A: Search for your property by name, address or parcel number. You will find historical tax information as Payment History under the Tax tab. If you have any questions, please call the Morrow County Treasurer's Office at 419-947-6070.

PROPERTY TAX RELIEF

Q: How do I know if I qualify for CAUV (Current Agricultural Use Valuation)?

A: The CAUV program provides tax relief in the form of property value reductions on *farmland* of ten acres or more devoted exclusively to agricultural use or for timberlands. The program also is available for tracts of land that are less than ten acres if the average yearly gross farm income for the past three years is at least \$2,500 from agricultural products. For additional information please visit the **CAUV** page. If you have any questions please call our office at 419-946-4060.

Q: How do I know if I qualify for the Homestead Credit?

A: The Homestead Program is designed to provide tax credit relief to citizens who are at least 65 years of age or permanently and totally disabled and meet the qualifications. Please visit the Homestead page for additional information.

Q: If I am filing for the Homestead Exemption this year, which property tax bill does it affect?

A: If you are filing for the first time, the reduction will be reflected on the tax bills you will receive the next year.

Q: Can I apply for Homestead for my current tax bill?

A: If you were eligible for the exemption last year, but did not apply, you can file a late application for the previous year at the same time you file your application for the current year.

Q: I plan to sell my house and buy a different one. How do I keep my Homestead Exemption?

A: Please fill out a new application for your new home after you have lived in it through January 1 of the new year.

Q: How do I know if I qualify for the Owner Occupancy Tax Reduction?

A: Every property owner that resides in their home is eligible for the Owner Occupancy Tax Reduction on their property tax bill. You must own and occupy your home as your principal place of residence (domicile) on January 1 of the year you file for the reduction. A homeowner and spouse are entitled to this tax reduction on only one home in Ohio. Please visit the Owner Occupancy Credit page for addition information.

Q: If I am filing for the Owner Occupancy Credit this year, which property tax bill does it affect?

A: If you are filing for the first time, the reduction will be reflected on the tax bills you will receive the next year.

Q: Can I apply for Owner Occupancy Credit for my current tax bill?

A: If you were eligible for the exemption last year, but did not apply, you can file a late application for the previous year at the same time you file your application for the current year.

Q: I plan to purchase and move to another house. How do I keep my Owner Occupancy Credit?

A: Please fill out a new application for your new home after you have lived in it through January 1 of the new year.

PROPERTY TRANSFER

Q: I want to sell or gift my home, how do I do that?

A: A legal document (deed, etc.) must be transferred and recorded. The Auditor's staff can assist you in the transfer of the document but they cannot prepare documents or give legal advice. Please contact your Attorney for document preparation and questions.