

## **IMPORTANT NOTICE FROM YOUR TAX COLLECTOR-PLEASE READ**

As of December 2025, the postal system has made some changes in regard to your mail and postmarks.

From the USPS website:

While we are not changing our postmarking practices, we have made adjustments to our transportation operations that will result in some mailpieces not arriving at our originating processing facilities on the same day that they are mailed. This means that the date on the postmarks applied at our processing facilities will not necessarily match the date on which the customer's mailpiece was collected by a letter carrier or dropped off at a retail location.

As before, a customer can ensure that a postmark is applied to his or her mailpiece, and that the date on the postmark matches the date of mailing, by visiting a Postal Service retail location and requesting a manual (local) postmark at the retail counter when tendering their mailpiece. Manual postmarks will be applied free of charge.

### **HOW THIS CAN AFFECT YOU:**

According to the Tax Collector manual, our office has to accept tax payments that are mailed in based upon their postmark. Therefore, if your payment is not postmarked before the due date, our office has to reject it. This in turn will mean a higher cost to you.

Moving forward, please try to mail your payments at least one week before due. If that is not possible, you will need to go into the post office to make sure it is manually postmarked prior to the due date.

This change may affect your other bills, voting, taxes etc... so please be diligent and aware.