

## **COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ**

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## Press Release

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## PROPERTY TAX BILLS MAILED TO RESIDENTS

The 2017-2018 Fiscal Year Secured Property Tax Bills are being mailed to taxpayers this week, and are now available to view and pay on the Santa Cruz County Treasurer-Tax Collector website at:

http://www.co.santa-cruz.ca.us/Departments/TaxCollector.aspx

The first and second installments are due on November 1, 2017 and February 1, 2018, respectively. The last day to make your timely payment for the first installment will be December 11, 2017, and for the second installment will be April 10, 2018.

Payments made or postmarked after these dates will be assessed a late penalty. Residents may check to see if they have any outstanding or delinquent property taxes, or make payments, online at <a href="http://ttc.co.santa-cruz.ca.us/TaxBills">http://ttc.co.santa-cruz.ca.us/TaxBills</a>. Residents can pay property taxes online by E-Check at no cost or by using debit/credit cards, though service charges apply.

If you plan to mail a check for your payment, please make sure your envelope has a U.S. Post Office postmark on or before the due dates to avoid late penalties. If residents wait until the last day to mail your payment, the County recommends obtaining a hand-stamped postmark at the post office, since mail is not always postmarked the same day it is received by the USPS.

Residents may also sign up to receive email reminders for property tax payments at <a href="http://www.co.santa-cruz.ca.us/Departments/TaxCollector.aspx">http://www.co.santa-cruz.ca.us/Departments/TaxCollector.aspx</a>.

If your mailing address has changed or if you are a new owner and do not receive a property tax bill, please visit the above website to file a change of address. It is imperative property owners do so as soon as possible to ensure that future property tax bills are mailed to the correct location.

Residents with questions e-mail us at ttc.webmail@santacruzcounty.us or call (831) 454-2510. Office hours are 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.