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Treasurer and Tax Collector

SUBJECT: **2011-12 PROPERTY TAXES**

2011-12 PROPERTY TAXES

This is to advise you that the Department of the Treasurer and Tax Collector will soon be mailing the annual secured property tax bills for 2011-12. It is anticipated that property owners will begin receiving their bills during the first week of October, and mailing will be completed by November 1, 2011.

We will also publish the attached Public Notice and provide a press release to over 300 newspaper companies, and radio and television stations.

During this time, you may experience an increase in constituent inquiries or visits to your offices. Any inquiries received may be referred to our public counter located at the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, Room 130, or to the property tax automated telephone system (Proptax) at 1(213) 974-2111 or toll free at 1(888) 807-2111. Property tax information is available at http://ttc.lacounty.gov and also at http://lacountypropertytax.com.

If you have any special handling needs or questions, please contact me or Donna J. Doss, Assistant Treasurer and Tax Collector, at (213) 974-2077.

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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR

PUBLIC NOTICE---PROPERTY TAXES DUE

MARK J. SALADINO, Los Angeles County Tax Collector, pursuant to Sections 2609 and 2610 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code, announces that annual secured property tax bills will be mailed on or before November 1, 2011, to all property owners at the addresses shown on the tax roll. The California Revenue and Taxation Code does not relieve a taxpayer of the responsibility to make timely payments due to failure to receive a tax bill. Therefore, property owners who have not received a bill by November 1, 2011, should immediately contact the Tax Collector's Office by calling 1(213) 974-2111 or 1(888) 807-2111 to request a substitute tax bill. Substitute tax bills are also available at the downtown office, located at the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, 225 North Hill Street, Room 130, Los Angeles, California 90012, and at each office of the County Assessor. Beginning October 1, 2011, property tax information will also be available on our website at www.lacountypropertytax.com.

FIRST INSTALLMENT of the 2011-12 taxes is due and payable on November 1, 2011, and will become delinquent if payment is not received by 5:00 p.m. or United States Postal Service (USPS) postmarked by December 10, 2011. Since December 10th falls on a weekend, payments must be received or postmarked by December 12, 2011. Thereafter, a 10 percent penalty will be added.

SECOND INSTALLMENT of the 2011-12 taxes is due and payable on February 1, 2012, and will become delinquent if payment is not received by 5:00 p.m. or USPS postmarked by April 10, 2012. Thereafter, a 10 percent penalty and a $10 cost will be added.

BOTH INSTALLMENTS MAY BE PAID when the first installment is due.

Payments may be mailed to the Los Angeles County Tax Collector, Post Office Box 54018, Los Angeles, California 90051 **and USPS POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE THE DELINQUENT DEADLINE** to avoid late penalties. The remittance shall be deemed received on the date shown by the post office's cancellation mark stamped upon the envelope containing the remittance.

You may use an independent delivery service that is an Internal Revenue Service designated delivery service (only Fed Ex, UPS and DHL), properly addressed with the required fee prepaid, delivery of which shall not be later than 5:00 p.m. on the next business day after the effective delinquent date. The remittance shall be deemed received on the date shown on the packing slip or air bill attached to the outside of the envelope or package containing the remittance.

Payments may also be made in person at the County Tax Collector's Office, Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, 225 North Hill Street, First Floor, Cashier Windows, Los Angeles, California 90012, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except for holidays. Make your payments early to avoid long lines at the Cashier Windows.

For the first installment on Friday, December 9, 2011 and Monday, December 12, 2011, the Treasurer and Tax Collector's personnel will also receive payments at 335A East Avenue K-6, Lancaster, California 93535, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. During the second installment, payments will be accepted on Monday, April 9, 2012 and Tuesday, April 10, 2012.

Payments must be made by check or money order and accompanied by the payment stub. No cash payments can be accepted at this location.

Pay Online – Save time and pay online by making a payment from your checking account. There is no fee for this service. You may also pay online by using a credit card or Visa Debit card. There is, however, a fee charged by a third-party vendor to use this method of payment. For information, log on to www.lacountypropertytax.com. You will need a PIN number that is printed on the annual tax bill to complete the transaction. Each transaction is limited to $24,999.99.

Pay by telephone – We accept American Express, MasterCard and Visa credit card payments, and Visa Debit payments. To use this service you must call 1(888) 473-0835. A service fee is charged by a third party vendor to utilize this service. Please have your current year tax bill and credit card available, as you will need information from both to complete the payment. When you have completed your payment, you will receive a confirmation number – please make note of it.

Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) – Property tax payments of $50,000 and higher must be paid electronically. Pre-registration is necessary. Contact our EFT Section at 1(213) 974-0996 for information.

Home Banking and Bill Payment Services – To ensure proper crediting of your payment, enter the 19-digit Electronic Fund Transfer Number from your current tax bill, followed by the number 1 (1st installment), 2 (2nd installment), or 5 (both installments). The EFT Number changes annually. Ensure that the EFT Number that you enter is the same number reflected on your current tax bill. Please note penalties will apply if your payment is not received or postmarked by the delinquency date.

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PRESS RELEASE UPDATE - To receive future press release notices via email, please send your email address to Angela Lopez at alopez@ttc.lacounty.gov.

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