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*This free monthly eNewsletter highlights the latest developments in the Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's Office. You may unsubscribe below, or give us your feedback by replying to this email. We hope you enjoy!*

## Dear Taxpayer:

My office has certified the 2023 Real Property and Tangible Personal Property Assessment Rolls for Palm Beach County to the Tax Collector.

Property tax bills should arrive in mailboxes soon. The Palm Beach County Tax Collector's Office is responsible for printing and mailing them on or before November 1.

As for my office, we're already hard at work preparing for next year's valuations.

This is a great time of year to consider securing your property against fraud. The office of my colleague Joe Abruzzo, the Palm Beach County Clerk and Comptroller, has a free [Property Fraud Alert](#) service. More about that is in this month's newsletter.

As we celebrate Veterans Day this month, I also wanted to highlight exemptions available to veterans and active duty military. We honor the service and sacrifice of those in our armed forces and their commitment to protecting our country.

I hope this Thanksgiving finds you with much to be thankful for. As always, I am thankful to be your Property Appraiser.

**Respectfully,**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'D Jacks'.

**Dorothy Jacks, CFA, AAS**  
**Palm Beach County Property Appraiser**



Property Appraiser Dorothy Jacks, CFA, FIAAO, AAS certifies the 2023 Real Property and Tangible Personal Property Assessment Rolls with Dino Maniotis, CFE, Tax Roll Coordinator

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## Military Exemptions and Discounts

These are available to those who qualify for a homestead exemption and who have been honorably discharged.

**Veterans 65 or Older Combat Related Disability Discount:** Disabled veterans, age 65 or older, who are partially or totally and permanently disabled, have a disability that was combat-related and have been honorably discharged upon separation from military service may be eligible for a discount from the amount of ad valorem tax commensurate with the percentage of the veteran's permanent service-connected disability.

**Veterans Disability Exemption:** Veterans with a total and permanent disability that was service-connected may be eligible for total exemption of property taxes. Veterans with a service-connected disability of 10 percent or more may be eligible for an additional \$5,000 exemption. Veterans with a non-service connected disability may be eligible for an additional \$500 exemption.

**Veteran's Surviving Spouse Exemption:** The surviving spouse of a deceased veteran who qualified for a disabled veteran exemption, or the surviving spouse of a military veteran who died in the line of duty.

**Active Duty Military Exemption:** Applies to service members of any branch of the U.S. Military, U.S. Coast Guard and Florida National Guard who were deployed during the preceding calendar year on active duty outside the continental United States, Alaska, or Hawaii in support of main or subordinate military operations designated by the Florida Legislature.

The amount of the exemption is equal to the taxable value of the homestead of the service member on January 1 of the year the exemption is sought, multiplied by the number of days that the service member was on a qualified deployment in the preceding calendar year and divided by the number of days in that year. We will do the math for you.

More information is available on [our website](#). You can always call us at 561.355.2866 or email us at [myexemption@pbcgov.org](mailto:myexemption@pbcgov.org) with questions.

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## Protect Your Property With Fraud Alert

Scammers commit property fraud by filing fake deeds, making it appear as if they own homes that are not actually theirs. Then, they trick people into giving them money to rent or buy those homes.

The [Property Fraud Alert from the Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller](#) is a free service to help you protect your property from fraud by monitoring the documents being recorded in the Official Records of the Clerk's office.

Register to receive free email alerts when a document such as a deed or mortgage is recorded using your name, your business's name, or your address. This early notification can save time when stopping scams.

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## Holiday Food Drive

This month kicks off the Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's Office's annual Holiday Food Drive. The special food-raising campaign is in its 24th year.



Last year, 5,540 pounds of food were collected from staff and donated to [Extended Hands Community Outreach](#) and [The Glades Initiative](#).

The Property Appraiser's Office encourages and supports employee community service throughout Palm Beach County. Our employees are dedicated to giving back to the community that we serve.

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## Holiday Office Closures

The Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's Office (including our five Service Centers) will be closed:

**Friday, November 10, 2023 – Veterans Day**

**Thursday, November 23, 2023 – Thanksgiving Day**

**Friday, November 24, 2023 – Floating Holiday**



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## Featured Video

Additional Exemptions

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