



PROPERTY TAXES COLLECTED AND POSTED FOR DECEMBER 10TH

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Madera, Ca. — “Over seventy-six million dollars in property tax payments was collected and posted from the December 10th property tax deadline,” reported Tracy Kennedy Desmond, Madera County Treasurer-Tax Collector.

In the last few days prior to the December 10th deadline, office staff processed over six million dollars in payments, specifically from walk-in traffic. “That’s amazing,” said Kennedy, “we have been keeping track of the number of taxpayers that take the time to park their car and walk up into our office to either stand in line for a receipt or drop their payment in the drop box. This year, over 2,500 transactions were the result of taxpayers personally delivering their taxes to the office!”

“This is where our customer service skills and experience really

excel, and I must say I have the best staff ever! To answer phone calls and wait on literally hundreds of taxpayers day after day and never skip a beat, now that’s customer service at its best. I’m really humbled at how well they all work together,” said Kennedy.

The \$76 million collected in property taxes is apportioned to the various Madera County schools, with the remainder allocated to the cities of Madera and Chowchilla, special districts, and the County of Madera general fund.

Online banking payments and online credit card payments continue to grow at least 10% each year partly attributed to our new online services. This new online application allows taxpayers to review their taxes and then pay online, wherein the payment is immedi-

ately posted to their parcel. Taxpayers can verify that their payments were posted to their account on the treasurer’s website: www.madera-county.com/treasurer.

This secure process allows the taxpayer to control when they want to pay their taxes, and also assists our internal processing due to the automation. “We want to offer the latest that technology has to offer, and we made sure that the process was well tested and secure before we offered it to our taxpayers,” stated Kennedy. “When dealing with public funds we have to be ultra cautious,” she added.

The next tax deadline is April 10th. Payments must be postmarked by April 10th to avoid penalties.

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Right: Tracy Kennedy, Treasurer-Tax Collector, pays her taxes to County employee Angelica Galvan.

Important Dates

Property Tax 2nd installment due	4/10/15
Business License renewals	Standard 1/31/15 or 1 year from issue date
Transient Occupancy Tax Quarterly Returns due dates	2/1/15 5/1/15 8/1/15 11/1/15

We wish you a Happy New Year!