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## SECURED PROPERTY TAX BILLS MAILED TO PROPERTY OWNERS FOR NOVEMBER 1, 2013 DUE DATE

Orange County Treasurer-Tax Collector Shari L. Freidenrich, CPA, announced that the Secured Property tax bills will be mailed between October 4 and October 18, to the names of the property owners shown on the most recent tax roll. All secured tax bills are now also available online at ocgov.com/octaxbill.

The first installment of the 2013-2014 property taxes is due and payable on November 1, 2013 and will become delinquent if not paid by December 10, 2013. The second installment is due and payable on February 1, 2014 and will become delinquent if not paid by April 10, 2014. Payments must have a USPS postmark date on or before the last payment date, and payments made using home banking must be received by the Treasurer on or before the last payment date to avoid incurring a 10% late penalty. For important information about postmarks, please visit our website at <a href="https://oceny.com/postmarks">ocegov.com/postmarks</a>.

If you do not receive a property tax bill by November 1, you can obtain a copy of the property tax bill by going to <a href="mailto:ocgov.com/octaxbill">ocgov.com/octaxbill</a>, e-mailing a request to <a href="mailto:ttcinfo@ttc.ocgov.com">ttcinfo@ttc.ocgov.com</a>, coming into the Office of the Treasurer-Tax Collector at 625 North Ross Street in Santa Ana or calling us at (714) 834-3411. Government Code states that not receiving a tax bill does not relieve you from your responsibility to pay it timely.

Treasurer Freidenrich has implemented and enhanced several customer service features. Tax payments processed by midnight using the County Treasurer's website at <a href="https://occom/octaxbill">occow.ocm/octaxbill</a> will be accepted as timely payment of taxes. Treasurer Freidenrich encourages taxpayers to "Go Green" and pay property tax bills on-line at <a href="https://occom/octaxbill">occow.ocm/octaxbill</a> by eCheck at no cost. Another enhancement is the QR code below which is also located on the tax bill. Just scan the QR code on each tax bill to go directly to that specific property's tax information on the webpage for viewing and paying the property tax bill. Taxpayers can also go to <a href="https://occom/taxreminder">occow.ocm/taxreminder</a> and sign up to receive a reminder email to pay property taxes approximately 10 days before each installment's final timely payment due date. Finally, the last four years of all property tax bills are available online, and the current online tax bills now include the property location.

Some Mello-Roos Districts' assessments, including assessments in Trabuco Canyon Water District and Aliso Viejo CFD 88-1, have expired, and will no longer appear on the tax bills.



/S/ Shari L. Freidenrich Orange County Treasurer-Tax Collector

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