

## Unfunded Mandates

Many state and federal directives require local governments to provide services or programs without providing the appropriate monies or funding sources. These directives, which are known as “unfunded mandates,” can compromise a county or local government’s ability to provide essential services that have been deemed appropriate by the local community. The Broward County Board of County Commissioners opposes any federal or state legislative actions that create an additional financial burden on local governments, as these “unfunded mandates” require resources that would otherwise be used to fund local needs and community services.

**For general information, call the Broward County Call Center at 954-831-4000.**



FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DEPARTMENT  
Records, Taxes and Treasury Division  
Governmental Center A100  
115 S. Andrews Avenue  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301  
Broward.org/RecordsTaxesTreasury

**Broward County Board of County Commissioners**

An equal opportunity employer and provider of services.

This public document can be made available in large print, tape cassette or braille by request.

PRINTED ON RECYCLED PAPER.

830,000 copies of this public document were promulgated at a gross cost of \$23,157.00, and \$.028, per copy to inform the public about tax bills.

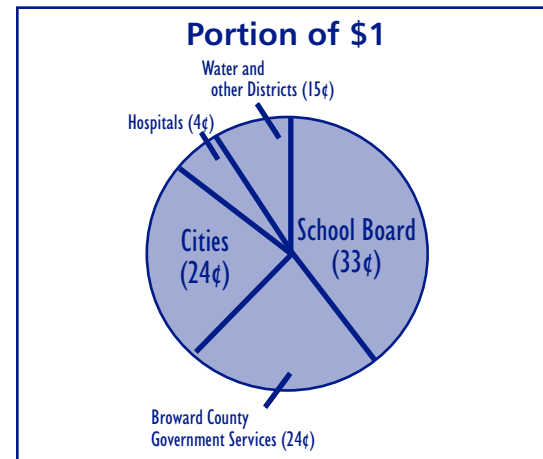
# Facts About Your Enclosed 2016 Tax Bill

**Deadlines  
Penalties  
Discounts  
Payment Options**

## WHERE YOUR AD VALOREM TAX AND NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENT DOLLARS GO

	Millions
Broward County School Board .....	\$1,234.1
Broward County Government Services:	
Broward County Commission.....	387.8
Sheriff .....	401.3
Mandated Judicial Costs .....	39.0
Property Appraiser .....	17.0
Supervisor of Elections .....	17.0
Voted Debt Service .....	36.1
Capital Outlay.....	25.6
Cities & Unincorporated Area.....	906.1
Special Purpose	
Districts .....	449.7
Independent Special Purpose Districts:	
South Florida	
Water Management and other Districts .....	104.4
North and South Broward	
Hospital Districts.....	159.8

## TOTAL MILLAGE AND SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS LEVIED .....\$3,777.9



## About the County Portion of Your Tax Bill

### What is the millage rate?

The millage rate is the amount of property tax charged per \$1,000 of taxable property value. For example, the

County’s current millage rate for county services is \$5.6690 per \$1,000 of taxable value. For each taxable value of \$100,000, a property owner would pay \$566.90 for County services.

## How is the millage rate determined for Broward County government services?

The Broward County Board of County Commissioners sets the millage rate for County services which comprise approximately 24% of the typical tax bill. These services are provided by the Broward County Commission and the Constitutional Offices, which include the Sheriff’s Office, Public Defender, State Attorney, Property Appraiser and Supervisor of Elections.

*The Countywide millage rate is 5.6690 and is comprised of a non-voted rate of 5.4474 and a voted rate for debt service of .2216.*

## What services are provided by the countywide portion of your property tax bill?

Examples of Countywide services include:

- Operate detention facilities
- Provide paratransit transportation system
- Operate transit buses
- Operate Countywide library and park systems
- Operate human service programs and substance abuse facilities
- Provide regional fire-rescue services
- Provide Countywide criminal investigation services

## Why has the County portion of my tax bill changed?

The County-wide millage rate for FY17 is approximately 1% less than the rate levied in FY16. Approximately 24% of your property taxes go to support county government services provided county-wide. For FY17, most homestead properties will experience no increase in County-wide taxes due to a 1% reduction in the County-wide millage rate and a .7% increase in assessed value attributable to the “Save Our Homes” State Statute.

## 2016 TAXING AUTHORITIES PHONE LIST

All phone numbers are area code 954 unless otherwise noted.

### Cities and City Services

Coconut Creek, Fire & Garbage .....973-6730  
 Cooper City & Fire .....434-4300  
 Coral Springs, Fire & Garbage .....346-1723  
 Dania Beach, Fire, Garbage &  
 Storm Water ..... 924-6800 ext. 3620  
 Davie, Fire & Garbage .....797-1050  
 Deerfield Beach .....480-4200  
 Deerfield Beach Fire &  
 Nuisance Abatement Assmt.....480-4279  
 Fort Lauderdale .....828-6568  
 Fort Lauderdale-Beach Improv Dist .828-5911  
 Fort Lauderdale Fire .....828-6800  
 Fort Lauderdale DDA.....463-6574  
 Hallandale Beach & Fire,  
 Lot Clean Up .....458-3251  
 Hillsboro Beach &  
 Beach Renourishment.....427-4011  
 Hollywood .....921-3580  
 Hollywood Fire Rescue, Fire Inspection, &  
 Nuisance Abatement.....921-3246

Hollywood Sewer (Adams St. &  
 30th Ave.) .....921-3246  
 Lauderdale-By-The-Sea & Fire .....640-4200  
 Lauderdale Lakes & Fire, Garbage,  
 Storm Water, Nuisance Abatement.535-2828  
 Lauderhill .....739-0100  
 Lauderhill Fire &  
 Nuisance Abatement.....739-0100  
 Lauderhill Safe Neighborhoods,  
 Solid Waste & Storm Water .....739-0100  
 Lazy Lake .....614-9058  
 Lighthouse Point Fire & Storm Water . 943-6500  
 Margate .....972-6454  
 Miramar & Fire.....602-3078  
 Miramar Storm Water .....883-6815  
 North Lauderdale, Fire &  
 Solid Waste .....597-4714  
 Oakland Park Fire,  
 Solid Waste & Storm Water .....630-4203  
 Parkland .....757-4123

### Special Districts

Belmont Lakes CDD .....903-0712  
 Bonaventure CDD.....385-2000  
 Central Broward Water  
 Control District.....432-5110  
 Cocomar Water Control District.....831-4000  
 Coral Bay Com. Dev.  
 District .....721-8681  
 Coral Springs Improvement  
 District .....603-0034  
 County Street Lighting.....831-4000  
 Cypress Cove .....689-4804  
 Golden Isles Safe Neighborhood...458-3251  
 Green Corridor Pace ..... 855-965-7283  
 Griffin Lakes CDD.....603-0034  
 Hillsboro Inlet..... 561-479-5627  
 Indian Trace .....385-2000  
 Jenada Isle .....390-2100  
 Lauderdale Isles .....828-7844  
 Maple Ridge CDD.....603-0034  
 Meadow Pines ..... 877-737-4922  
 or 561-630-4922

Monterra CDD .....721-8681  
 N. Lauderdale Water Control Dist. 597-4714  
 N. Springs.....721-8681  
 Oakridge Comm. Dev. District.....721-8681  
 Old Plantation.....472-5596  
 Orchid Grove CDD.....721-8681  
 PACE Funding Agency ..... 866-558-3180  
 Parkland Golf & Country Club .....721-8681  
 Parkland Isles .....721-8681  
 Pembroke Harbor CDD.....903-0712  
 Pinetree .....603-0034  
 Plantation Acres .....474-3092  
 Plantation Gateway 7.....797-2163  
 Plantation Midtown .....797-2163  
 Sabal Palm CDD.....721-8681  
 South Broward Drainage District ...680-3337  
 Special Tax District #1 .....746-3467  
 Sunrise Key Safe N .....828-6568  
 Sunrise Towne One .....746-3318  
 Sunrise Parking Garage .....746-3318  
 Sunshine I & II ..... 561-571-0010  
 Three Islands Safe N.....458-3251

Pembroke Park .....966-4600 ext. 232  
 Pembroke Pines & Fire.....450-1070  
 Plantation & Storm Water .....797-2163  
 Pompano Beach &  
 Pompano Beach EMS .....786-4065  
 Pompano Beach Fire .....786-4065  
 Sea Ranch Lakes .....943-8862  
 Southwest Ranches, Fire &  
 Garbage .....434-0008  
 Sunrise & Fire.....746-3467  
 Sunrise Nuisance Abatement.....746-3318  
 Tamaraac & Fire, Solid Waste, Storm Water, &  
 Nuisance Abatement.....597-3550  
 Weston, Fire & Solid Waste .....385-2000  
 West Park & Fire, Solid Waste,  
 Lot Clean Up .....903-0712  
 Wilton Manors & Fire .....390-2100

Tindall Hammock.....332-7778  
 Turtle Run .....721-8681  
 Twin Lakes .....903-0712  
 Walnut Creek CDD ..... 561-630-4922  
 or 877-737-4922  
 Water Mgmt Dist 2, 3, 4A, 4B, 4C ....831-4000  
 WAVE Streetcar .....463-6574  
 Wilton Dr.Improve Dist.....390-2120

### Countywide Services

County Commission .....831-4000  
 Unincorporated County .....831-4000  
 County Fire and Garbage .....831-4000  
 County School Board..... 754-321-2225  
 Children's Council.....377-1000  
 Florida Inland Nav..... 561-627-3386  
 N. Broward Hosp. Dist.....473-7122  
 S. Broward Hospital Dist .....265-5696  
 S. FL Water Mgt. ....561-686-8800

**For general information, call the  
 Broward County Call Center  
 at 954-831-4000.**

### How to Pay Your 2016 Tax Bill

#### Please Read Carefully

Additional information regarding payment of your tax bill is printed on the reverse side of the tax bill.

- **Electronic check payment (No Fee)**  
 Pay your current taxes online. Your payment will be automatically deducted from your banking account.  
 Visit [broward.county-taxes.com](http://broward.county-taxes.com)
- **Payment by credit/debit card (Fee)**  
 Pay your taxes online for a fee\* at: [broward.county-taxes.com](http://broward.county-taxes.com).

\* *Credit card fees are collected by the credit card companies, not Broward County. Fees are listed on our website.*

- **Payment by check**  
 Make check payable to **Broward County Tax Collector** and return it in the envelope provided with the payment coupon. **ALL checks must be drawn on a U.S. Bank.** This is strictly enforced.

**Mail to:** Broward County Board of  
 County Commissioners  
 Processing Center  
 P.O. Box 849375  
 Hollywood, FL 33084-9375

**Should your check not clear for any reason, your payment will be cancelled and you will be charged a return check fee.**

**Payments sent without the payment coupon will cause a delay in processing.**

- **Pay in Person at any one of the 77 Wells Fargo Bank Branches in Broward County: (Checks only, full payment) (Must have 2016 tax bill coupon)**
- **Installment Method (No Fee)**  
 You may pay **next year's (2017)** taxes by installments. You must file an application with the Tax Collector's Office by April 30, 2017.
- **Partial Payment (Fee)**  
 Pay your current taxes in up to five (5) payments; Each of the first four (4) payments must be at

least \$100 & must include an additional \$10 processing fee. The 5th payment must be payment in full, must also include a \$10 processing fee and must be made by March 31st to avoid delinquency. There will be no discount allowed. No partial payments can be made after March 31st.

### Commonly Asked Questions

The information contained in this brochure is provided by the Broward County Board of County Commissioners in an effort to help property owners understand their tax bill.

#### What is an ad valorem tax?

Ad valorem tax is based upon the value of the property. It is commonly referred to as "property tax."

#### What is a special or non-ad valorem assessment?

A special assessment is a charge levied on properties within a certain district to defray part or all of the cost of providing a certain service or improvement, such as garbage collection or fire protection. It is called a non-ad valorem assessment because it is on the property tax bill but is not based upon property value.

#### Why have my property taxes increased?

Your tax bill may increase for a variety of reasons. Some of the most common reasons are:

- Loss of homestead exemption or other change in exemption status;
- Increase in assessed property value due to increase in market value or increase in index tied to the Save Our Homes value 0.7%. for this year);
- Increase in millage rate by one or more taxing authorities.

#### When are taxes due?

The tax bills are mailed every year on or before November 1. Taxes are due by March 31 the following year. If you pay your taxes early, you are entitled to a discount of 4% during the month of November, 3% during December, 2% in January and 1% in February. Taxes become delinquent on April 1; if taxes are not paid, a tax certificate will be sold on or before June 1.