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.

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

Broward County School Board ............... $1,461.4
Broward County Government Services:  
Broward County Commission .................. 481.9
Sheriff ...................................................... 489.8
Mandated Judicial Costs .......................... 44.4
Property Appraiser ................................. 21.9
Supervisor of Elections ......................... 23.7
Voted Debt Service .................................. 36.4
Capital Outlay ......................................... 39.6
Cities & Unincorporated Area ................. 1,190.1
Special Purpose Districts .................... $90.7
Independent Special Purpose Districts:  
South Florida Water Management and other Districts ...... 129.4
North and South Broward Hospital Districts .............. 151.6

TOTAL MILLAGE AND SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS LEVIED .......... $4,579.9

Facts About Your Enclosed 2019 Tax Bill

Deadlines
Penalties
Discounts
Payment Options

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 25% 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 5.4878 and a voted rate for debt service of 0.1812.

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 FY20 is the same rate levied in FY19. Approximately 25% of your property taxes go to support county government services provided countywide. For FY20, most homestead properties will experience increases of 1.9% based on the increase in assessed value attributable to the “Save Our Homes” Statute.

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### Cities and City Services

- **Hillsboro Beach Renourishment**: 427-4011
- **Hollywood Fire Rescue, Fire Inspection, & Nuisance Abatement**: 954-961-3580
- **Hollywood Sewer (Ams Ave & 10th Ave)**: 954-961-3246
- **Lauderhill-By-The-Sea & Fire**: 954-420-0280
- **Lauderhill, Fire & Nuisance Abatement**: 954-739-0100
- **Lauderhill Safe Neighborhoods, Pinecrest & Solid Waste & Stormwater**: 954-739-0100
- **Lazy Lake**: 628-289
- **Lighthouse Point, Fire, Solid Waste & Stormwater**: 954-943-6500
- **Margate**: 954-972-6454
- **MiraMar & Fire**: 954-662-3078
- **North Lauderdale, Fire, Solid Waste & Stormwater**: 954-932-0712
- **Hollywood, FL 33024-9375

### Special Districts

- **Jenada Isle**: 954-390-2100
- **Lauderdale Isles**: 954-828-7844
- **Maple Ridge CDD**: 954-603-0304
- **Meadow Pines**: 954-771-4782 (or 754-630-4922)
- **Monterra CDD**: 954-603-0304
- **N. Lauderdale Water Control District**: 954-597-4714
- **North Lauderdale**: 954-739-0100
- **Oakridge Comm. Dev. Dist.**: 954-731-6881
- **Old Palmation**: 954-771-4782
- **Orchid Grove CDD**: 954-731-6881
- **Palm Island Golf & Country Club**: 954-731-6881
- **Palm Island**: 954-731-6881
- **Pembroke Harbor CDD**: 954-903-7172
- **Pembroke Pines**: 954-903-7172
- **Plantation Acres**: 954-474-3092
- **Plantation Gateway 7**: 954-797-2163
- **Plantation Middletown Business District**: 954-797-2163
- **Sabal Palm CDD**: 954-731-6881
- **South Broward Drainage District**: 954-630-4922
- **Sunrise Key Safe Neighborhood**: 954-828-6568
- **Sunrise Parking Garage Assessment**: 954-731-6881
- **Sunshine 1 & 2**: 954-777-0889
- **Sunshine II**: 954-777-0889
- **Three Islands Safe Neighborhood**: 954-458-3251
- **Tindal Hammock**: 954-532-7772
- **Turtle Run**: 954-721-6881
- **Twin Lakes**: 954-903-0712
- **Welland CDD**: 954-613-4922
- **Wetland Mgmt Dist 2, 3, 4, 4B, 4C**: 954-831-4000
- **Wilton Dr. Improve Dist**: 954-390-2100
- **Broward County T ax Services & Call Center**: P.O. Box 849375

### Countywide Services

- **Broward County Commission, Unincorporated**: 954-334-4000
- **School Board**: 954-734-2225
- **Children’s Services Council**: 954-377-1000
- **N. Broward Hospital Dist.**: 954-737-4922
- **S. Broward Hospital Dist.**: 954-265-5966
- **S. FL Water Mgmt.**: 954-686-8800
- **Broward County Court Center**: 954-983-4800

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### How to Pay Your 2019 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)**
- **Paper check mail-in payment**
- **Cash payment (No Fee)**
- **Credit card payment**

For your tax bill online for a fee at: browardcounty-tax.com

### Commonly Asked Questions

**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 cap, which is 1.9% 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 31st 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 not paid, a tax certificate will be sold on or before June 1.

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**Payment by credit/debit card (Fee)** Pay your taxes online for a fee at: browardcounty-tax.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

**Why 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.**

**In Person at any one of the 77 Wells Fargo Bank Branches in Broward County:** (Checks only, full payment) **(Must have 2019 tax bill coupon)**

**Installation Method (No Fee)** You may pay next year’s (2020) taxes by installments. You must file an application with the Tax Collector’s Office by April 30, 2020.

**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.