

Property Tax Information

The Galveston Tax Office assesses, collects and disburses property taxes for the majority of governments in the County, thus, depending upon where you live, it is possible that you will receive tax statements from multiple governments. Our collection partners may be found under the [Press Releases & Important Information](#) tab on our homepage.

Property taxes in Texas are based on the January 1st market value of your property as determined by the county appraisal district (CAD). The CAD handles all ownership, exemption and value information on your property; thus, we do not make changes to your account without authorization by the CAD. We will be more than happy to provide information to the CAD for you and will place notes on your account accordingly.

Each spring, the CAD issues notices of appraised value. You have until May 31st (or 30 days after the date of the notice, whichever is later) to protest the value. Please see our booklet, [Effectively Protesting Taxes.pdf](#), at the [Press Releases & Important Information](#) link on the homepage or by clicking the link shown. Don't miss the [NeighborhoodComparisonWorksheet.xls](#) which will assist you in comparing properties in your neighborhood or sales provided by the CAD.

After the appraisal roll is certified, local governments adopt their budgets and tax rates. During the month of October, we produce tax statements and mail them to property owners and mortgage companies. If your property taxes are escrowed by your mortgage company, you will not receive a tax statement. Tax statements may be obtained (and taxes paid) online by going to our link [Look Up and Pay Property Taxes Here](#).

You may contact the county appraisal district for your county by clicking on the links below. Forms may be found by clicking the forms link also shown below.

Galveston County CAD - www.galvestoncad.org

Harris County CAD - www.hcad.org

[Forms](#)

For information about Sheriff Sales, please click on [Sheriff Sale Information](#) link.