

## Services We Offer:

-  Driver License/ID Card
-  Titles & Registrations
-  Property Tax Payments
-  Business Tax
-  Hunting & Fishing
-  Disabled Parking Permit
-  Concealed Weapons License



### VISION

To be a role model organization for excellence in providing government services.

### MISSION

Deliver 5-Star service through an organizational culture that values customers, team, and community.



### Service Center Hours and Locations

Mon., Tue., Wed. & Fri.: 8:30am - 5:00pm  
Thursday: 9:00am - 5:00pm  
(Except for Holiday Closures)

- Bonita Springs ..... 25987 S Tamiami Trail
- Cape Coral ..... 1039 SE 9th Avenue
- Fort Myers.....2480 Thompson Street
- Lehigh Acres ..... 600 Homestead Rd. South
- North Fort Myers..... 15201 N Cleveland Avenue
- South Fort Myers.....15680 Pine Ridge Road



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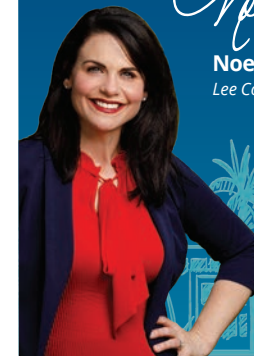
## Tax Collection for New Home Owners



*“Congratulations!*

*As a new homeowner, I would like to share this valuable information to help you understand how your taxes are assessed, when they are due, and how you could save money. We look forward to serving you!”*

*Noelle Branning*  
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Lee County Tax Collector



Visit us on the web at: [www.leetc.com](http://www.leetc.com)

## Important Dates to Remember

Current year taxes are billed in November, with payment due by March 31st of the following year. Discounts are given for early payment November through February. You can check the status of your property tax account, apply for installment payments, or request your bill via email on our website, **LeeTC.com**.

### Early Payment Discounts

**4%** if paid in **NOVEMBER**

**1%** if paid in **FEBRUARY**

**3%** if paid in **DECEMBER**

**No discount** if paid in **MARCH**

**2%** if paid in **JANUARY**

**April** Taxes are **delinquent**

## Ownership Change Process

A change in ownership requires the cooperation of all parties involved. The following is a typical process:

- Closing agent assists buyer and seller with the transfer of property.
- Documents are filed with the Clerk of Court.
- The Property Appraiser updates the tax roll reflecting the new owner information.
- The Tax Collector updates the billing information to show the new owner.

## Tax Collection Process

Ad valorem taxes are based on the value of property. Non-ad valorem assessments are fees for specific services such as solid waste disposal, sewer, stormwater, and special improvements.

### Your Tax Collector

prints & mails tax notices and collects tax payments based on information contained in the current tax roll that is certified by the Property Appraiser and Levying Authorities. For questions concerning payment of taxes visit us online or contact our office at 239.533.6000.

### Your Property Appraiser

sets the value on property including land, buildings, and improvements. Any exemptions you have applied for and received are deducted from the assessed value, which becomes a taxable value. If you have questions on your value or exemptions allowed, contact the Property Appraiser at **www.leepa.org** or 239.533.6100

### Your Levying Authorities

include county commission, municipalities, school board, and special districts. They determine their budgetary needs and hold public hearings prior to adopting the final millage rate or fee. Contact the Levying Authority if you have questions about the fees.

## What you should know

- When closing on the sale or transfer of real property, your closing agent is responsible for calculating the prorated amount of taxes owed by each party.
- The settlement statement in your closing documents will list the amount charged or credited to each party. If you have questions about the prorated amounts, contact your closing agent.
- Property tax bills are mailed in November of each year. The current owner of record will receive the notice.
- If your mortgage includes an escrow account for property taxes, they will be paid by your lender in November so you receive the best discount.
- The property owner will receive a copy of the bill sent to the mortgage company.
- If you have questions about any changes to the assessment or taxable value of your home after closing, contact the Property Appraiser at 239.533.6100. If you are eligible for exemptions, they can assist you with requirements.



 **PAY ONLINE**

You can check that your taxes are paid at **LeeTC.com**

**Welcome new home owners**



**to sunny Florida and beautiful Lee County!**