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TRIM Notices Mailed to Property Owners August 24th

Jefferson County, August 28, 2023: Jefferson County Property Appraiser, Angela Gray mailed property owners their annual Truth In Millage "TRIM" Notices on Thursday, August 24th. This TRIM Notice includes property values assessed by the office as of January 1st; tax rates proposed by the taxing authorities; non-ad valorem special assessment rates proposed by taxing authorities; and property tax benefits and exemptions, if any, applied to the property.

Property owners should also note the City, County, School and Water Management District budget hearing dates and millage "tax" rates that appear on the Notice. It will show last year's rate; the "roll back" rate if the budget is not changed; and the proposed rate if the budget is changed. If owners have questions about tax "millage" rates or nonad valorem fees for fire, solid waste or roads, they should contact the taxing authority or attend the public hearings listed on the reverse side of the notice.

Property Appraiser Angela Gray states, "Property owners should carefully read their notice to ensure they are receiving all of their benefits and exemptions and to review the "Market Value", which is set by property sales from 2022. My office is here to assist with any questions or concerns property owners may have regarding market, assessed or taxable values; benefits; exemptions; agricultural classifications and non-ad valorem special assessments prior to the tax bills being sent in November."

New owners who forgot to file for Homestead or Agricultural Classifications still have time to "late file" if they have a valid extenuating circumstance. Forgetting to file, or not knowing is not a valid reason, but travelling, caring for a sick relative, or illnesses are acceptable reasons for filing late. The absolute last date to file for these tax savings is Monday September 18th. This is also the same deadline date for anyone who wishes to appeal their Market Value to the Value Adjustment Board. Anyone wanting to file a petition contesting their Market Value, must do so at the Clerk of Court's office.

To contact the Property Appraiser's office call 850-997-3356, visit the website at <u>www.jeffersonpa.net</u> or email a question to <u>angela.gray@jeffersonpa.net</u>.