



Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's Office

December 2021 Newsletter

## DEAR TAXPAYER:

As we say goodbye to 2021, I want to share some thoughts on the past 12 months and highlight some of our accomplishments.

This was an exceptional year, as my office was recognized with the Certificate of Excellence in Assessment Administration from the largest professional association in our industry. I am proud of every single one of the 230 qualified employees in my office, as we retain more credentialed appraisal experts than any other jurisdiction in the United States. We determine the taxable value of more than 648,000 parcels and nearly 60,000 tangible personal property accounts in the county.

In 2021, Palm Beach County property values continued their steady growth, increasing 5.72% from 2020. Westlake, Briny Breezes, and Jupiter Inlet Colony showed the largest percentage of value increase from 2020 to 2021. Overall, the market value of all Palm Beach County property is more than \$309 billion. More interesting stats and figures can be found at [pbcgov.org/PAPA](http://pbcgov.org/PAPA).

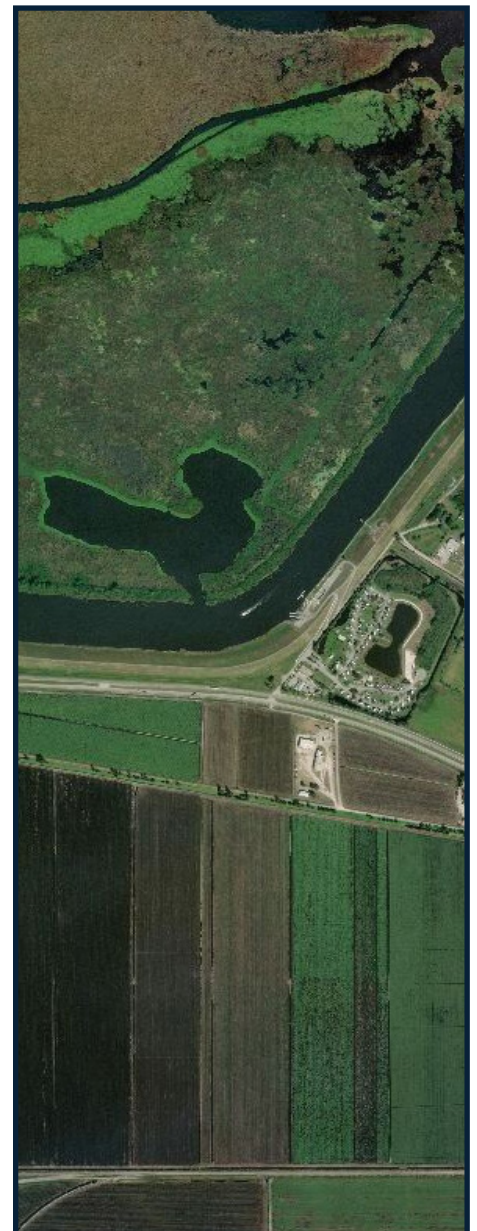
As Florida law requires my office to value property based on the status of the real estate market and the property as of Jan. 1 each year, my staff are already gathering information for 2022 assessments. I want to thank each employee in my office for their hard work and commitment to accuracy and excellence.

As we look forward to 2022, my office may encounter new challenges and trends, but our mission remains the same: to value property, administer exemptions, and maintain ownership records for the County fairly, equitably, and in accordance with Florida law.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your Property Appraiser. I wish you and your families a safe and happy holiday season.

Respectfully,

Dorothy Jacks, CFA, AAS  
Palm Beach County Property Appraiser



The southeast corner of Lake Okeechobee in South Bay


## HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION RECEIPT CARDS MAILED LATE DECEMBER

On the last business day in the month of December, the Property Appraiser's Office mails a pink and white homestead exemption receipt card to every property owner in Palm Beach County with a homestead exemption. If there are no changes to the use and/or

ownership of the property, simply keep the card as your receipt that you have been automatically renewed for another year. However, if there is a change to ownership due to a sale, marriage, divorce, death, or change in property use, call our office at 561.355.2866 or email us at [MyExemption@pbcgov.org](mailto:MyExemption@pbcgov.org).

If you've not yet filed for a homestead exemption, it's easy to E file online. You may also file by mail or in person at one of our five Service Centers. The deadline to file a homestead exemption application is March

1 of the year you're applying for and you may file any time after you take ownership of the property and become a permanent resident of Florida. To qualify, you and/or your spouse must not be receiving a residency-based exemption on any other property in Florida or in another state.

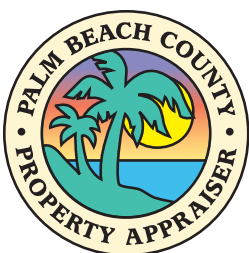
 <b>DOROTHY JACKS, CFA, AAS</b> <b>PALM BEACH COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER</b> 301 N. OLIVE AVENUE, 1 <sup>ST</sup> FLOOR WEST PALM BEACH FL 33401 (561) 355-2866		PRESORTED FIRST-CLASS MAIL AUTO U.S. POSTAGE PAID WEST PALM BCH. FL PERMIT NO. 214  <b>RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED</b>
<b>2022 HOMESTEAD RECEIPT</b> <b>KEEP THIS FOR YOUR RECORDS</b> <small>SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR IMPORTANT INFORMATION</small>		
<b>PROPERTY CONTROL NUMBER</b> 00 00 00 00 00 000 0000	<b>EXEMPTIONS RENEWED FOR THIS PROPERTY:</b> HOMESTEAD WIDOW/WIDOWER	
<b>Legal Description</b> PALM LAKE NO 5 COND UNIT 401-S		

## HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSURES

The Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's Office and all of our Service Centers will be closed the following days during the holiday season:

- Friday, Dec. 24, 2021
- Monday, Dec. 27, 2021
- Friday, Dec. 31, 2021

Happy Holidays!



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