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## This is a Loan

The funds provided through Pasco County will be in the form of a zero interest loan. These funds must be repaid to the County. The repayment of funds will help other families in the future. Loan payments depend on your income level and ability to pay.

### A Note About Assessments

If you are applying for assessment assistance, please note that based on funding availability, only one year may be paid at a time, and you may have to apply each year for funding. Assessments cannot be paid when the initial homeowner notice is generated; they can only be paid once the final roll has been completed and the one-year portion of the assessment appears on your property tax bill.

These programs are provided by the Pasco County Board of County Commissioners:

Ron Oakley, District 1  
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Questions about your property tax payments should be directed to the office of the Mike Fasano, Tax Collector at :

Dade City                      (352) 521-4338  
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# Tax Payment Program

## A Program to Assist in the Payment of Property Taxes and Other Assessments



# Tax Payment Program

The Tax Payment Program has been created by the Board of County Commissioners to assist homeowners who are very low income and persons who are seniors and/or disabled pay for their property taxes. The goal for this program is to keep homeowners in their homes.



All eligible homeowners must have household incomes under 50% of the median income for the Tampa Bay area. Currently, that is as follows (as of April 2018):

1 Person	\$22,400
2 Persons	\$25,600
3 Persons	\$28,800
4 Persons	\$31,950
5 persons	\$34,550

However, If the household has a senior (62 or over) or a family member that is disabled, there is a higher income level:

1 Person	\$35,800
2 Persons	\$40,900
3 Persons	\$46,000
4 Persons	\$51,100
5 persons	\$55,200

All persons in the household must be included, not just family members who are on the deed. Your home must be your primary, homesteaded residence.

In order to qualify for assistance under this program, excluding your home and personal furnishings, you may not have assets valued over \$25,000. Homeowner's insurance is not required for this program.

### **Eligible Homes**

Any type of home is eligible for this program, including condominiums and town houses. For mobile and manufactured homes, only the tax on the property is eligible. Mobile homes are only eligible if the land is owned, and was built after 1994. Your home cannot have a value that exceeds \$160,000 according to the Pasco County Property Appraiser. Additionally, there can be no outstanding judgments or liens placed on the property by the County, excluding paving liens and utility assessments. Your property must not have more than 75% of its value in debt.

### **Applications**

In order to apply for assistance, you must apply through the Pasco County Community Development Department. All information regarding your household income must be collected, including Social Security, employment, child support, bank accounts, pensions and other income and assets.

### **Amount of Funds Available**

The amount of County funds that are available depends on how much it is anticipated that you will need to pay for your taxes. The most that is available to you is \$15,000. Once you are approved, present your tax bills for the next year to the County may be able to pay the taxes directly to the Tax Collector. Tax Certificates are also eligible to be paid-off under this program. No past payments may be reimbursed. Payment of current and delinquent taxes are eligible.

