



# VILLAGE OF WHITEFISH BAY

## PROPERTY TAX INFORMATION AND FAQ'S

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### WHEN IS MY TAX BILL DUE?

Due date is January 31, 2015. An installment option is available. There is no need to sign up, but payments must be made timely. Installment payments of taxes and special assessments are due as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Installment due by January 31<sup>st</sup> (all delinquent accounts due)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Installment due by March 31<sup>st</sup>
- Final Installment due by May 31<sup>st</sup>

### HOW DO I MAKE A PAYMENT?

- By Mail (Preferred)
  - Make check payable to the Village of Whitefish Bay
  - Send check to Village of Whitefish Bay, 5300 N. Marlborough Drive, Whitefish Bay, 53217
- On the Village Website, [www.wfbvillage.org](http://www.wfbvillage.org)
  - From main page, click "Online Property Tax Payments" button on right hand side of page
  - Select "Make Online Property Tax Payments Here" option
  - Enter payment type (real or personal property), Name and Address, and Card information
  - User Fees Do Apply:
    - Credit Cards – 2.39% per Transaction, \$1.50 minimum
    - Electronic Check - \$1.50 for payments up to \$10,000, \$5.00 over \$10,000
- 24-Hour Night Depository
  - Located in entrance of Village Hall
  - Deposits made prior to midnight will be processed using that day's date
- In Person
  - Office Hours are Monday through Friday, 8am to 4:30pm.
  - Closed on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and New Year's Day

### HOW DO I OBTAIN A RECEIPT?

Receipts can be obtained in one of three ways:

1. Use the Village website, [www.wfbvillage.org](http://www.wfbvillage.org)
  - Tax payments are processed daily, and receipts may be printed at your convenience
2. Include a self-addressed stamped envelope with payment sent via mail or night deposit box
  - Receipts will not be sent if self-addressed stamped envelope is not included
3. Receive receipt at time of payment in person

### WHAT HAPPENS IF I DO NOT PAY ON TIME?

For any property tax bill where payment is not made timely, the bill is considered delinquent and the remaining balance is subject to interest and penalty. Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes and Village of Whitefish Bay Municipal Code, delinquent property tax bills are charged 1.5% interest and penalty per month (in the calculation of interest and penalty, a partial month is considered a full month). Interest and penalty are charged retroactive to February 1, 2015.



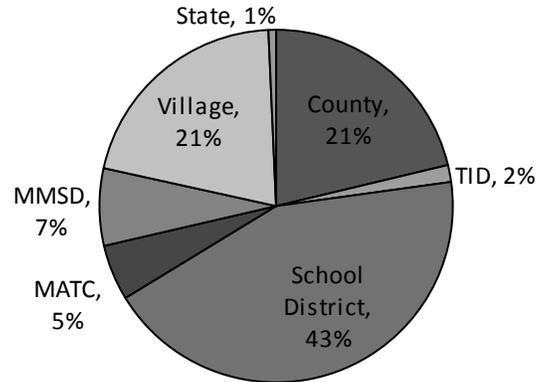
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### WHERE DO MY PROPERTY TAXES GO?

The Village collects taxes for five other taxing jurisdictions that establish their own budgets and levies, as well as the Silver Spring Tax Increment Financing Districts. Below is an example of the allocation of property taxes to each taxing jurisdiction for a home with an assessed value of \$400,000.

Taxing Jurisdiction	2015 Taxes
Village of Whitefish Bay	\$ 2,148
Silver Spring Tax Increment Districts	\$ 157
Whitefish Bay School District	\$ 4,391
Milwaukee Area Technical College	\$ 516
Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District	\$ 716
Milwaukee County	\$ 2,106
State of Wisconsin	\$ 71
School Property Tax Credit	\$ (765)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 9,340</b>



### WHAT DO I PAY FOR VILLAGE SERVICES?

Though the Village collects all the taxes, we only keep a small portion. The portion of property taxes the Village keeps are used to provide police and fire protection, refuse and recycling collection, snow and ice control, leaf and yard waste collection, routine street maintenance, sidewalk and alley maintenance, street and traffic lighting, library services, park facilities and maintenance, health services, building inspection, election administration, and other miscellaneous Village services. The Village tax rate is \$5.37, which means a homeowner of a home assessed at \$400,000 would pay approximately \$2,148 in property taxes for Village provided services. The total monthly cost for Village services on a \$400,000 home is approximately \$179.00, allocated to departments as follows:

Department	Annual	Monthly
General Government	\$ 274.34	\$ 22.86
Public Safety	\$ 829.00	\$ 69.08
Public Works	\$ 417.17	\$ 34.76
Health	\$ 27.30	\$ 2.28
Library	\$ 116.43	\$ 9.70
Debt Service	\$ 440.37	\$ 36.70
Capital	\$ 43.39	\$ 3.62
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 2,148.00</b>	<b>\$ 179.00</b>

