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**\*\*\* Press Release \*\*\***

## **2015 TAX STATEMENTS IN THE MAIL**

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Property tax statements for 2015 are in the mail! Approximately 291,500 statements have been mailed this week according to Montgomery County Tax Assessor-Collector, Tammy McRae. The statements reflect the \$10,000 increase in the homestead exemption for school taxes as provided by Texas Senate Bill 1. The homestead proposition must still be approved by voters on November 3, 2015.

The Montgomery County Tax Office is pleased to offer numerous new options this year to pay property taxes including:

- Online using Credit/Debit Card
- By Phone (1-866-549-1010) Use Bureau Code: 7898505
- e-Check
- Pay in Person Using Credit/Debit Card at any of the 5 tax office locations

Property owners choosing to pay with a credit/debit card will see lower service charges this year. “We are pleased to now offer free e-Check services and lower convenience fees to our taxpayers. The convenience fee charged by the vendor to pay by credit or debit card has been reduced to 2.15%,” said McRae. Taxpayers may pay online by going to <http://mctx.org/tax> and select Property Tax or access their individual account by scanning the QR code on the statement with a smart device.

Taxpayers are urged to contact the Tax Office if they have not received their tax statement by November 13<sup>th</sup>. “It is important that a property owner contact us if they do not receive their statement,” said McRae. All property taxes must be paid by January 31, 2016 to avoid incurring penalties and interest. Tax statements can also be downloaded from the website. Tax statements for properties paid through mortgage escrow accounts were sent to the requesting mortgage company.

“You will notice another change....We are going green! Paper receipts will now be issued upon request rather than automatically mailed. A printable version will be available online. This change will result in an estimated \$80,000 in annual savings to the taxpayers of Montgomery County,” declared McRae.

For additional information please visit the tax office website or call 936-539-7897. “We look forward to serving the needs of the taxpayers of Montgomery County” states Ms. McRae.