

# 2018-19 Lane County Property Tax statements available online

Lane County taxpayers began receiving their 2018-2019 property tax statements last week. Statements are available online now, as well as information about the county value trends, levy changes, and individual property tax account information, at [www.lanecounty.org/AT](http://www.lanecounty.org/AT).

The first payment is due on Nov. 15.

Lane County Assessment and Taxation collects property tax on behalf of 85 separate taxing districts including cities, schools, education service districts, water districts, rural fire districts, urban renewal districts and other taxing districts such as park and recreation, library and ambulance districts.

The total property tax certified for all tax levies combined in 2018-19 is \$548.5 million. This is approximately 6.3 percent more than in 2017.

The total amount of taxes billed changes each year as a result of the addition of new or renewed local option and bond levies, the expiration of local option and bond

levies, the 3 percent statutory increase in Maximum Assessed Values (MAV), the addition of new properties to the tax roll, the number of exemptions granted, and the number of properties being taxed on their lower market values instead of their Measure 50 MAV.

Lane County's January 1, 2018 Real Market Value (RMV) increased to \$62 billion from \$57.6 billion, an overall increase of approximately 7.6 percent from Jan. 1, 2017.

The total taxable value for all properties combined in Lane County increased by 4.3 percent over last year, from \$32.8 billion in 2017 to \$34.2 billion in 2018. Additionally, 5 percent of residential properties in Lane County now have a market value below their Measure 50 MAV which is down from 6 percent in 2017.

Most properties will continue to see the 3 percent statutory increase in their MAV. On average, residential property owners will pay tax on 70 percent of their RMV in 2018.

Oregon's constitution limits the increase in MAV of each property to 3 percent per year, unless there have been changes made to the property, such as new construction or additions, new partitions or subdivisions, removal from special assessment or exemption programs, or changes in zoning and use of the property.

There are over 179,000 property tax accounts in Lane County consisting of: 54.4 percent Residential/Tract; 16.6 percent Exempt; 9.8 percent Commercial; 5.9 percent Industrial; 4.2 percent Farm/ Forest; 4.6 percent Multi-Family; and 4.5 percent Business Personal Property, Utilities and Other.

Property values for tax purposes are set only once a year at the time of certification. Certification occurred for the 2018-2019 tax roll on October 5, 2018. Oregon does not reset property values at the time of sale as in California, nor does it reset property values for tax purposes at the time of a financed loan.

The 2018-19 tax statement reflects a property's RMV as of January 1, 2018. This is based on the Jan. 1, 2017 RMV compared to 2017 sale prices which showed an overall median RMV increase of 9.7 percent for a typical house value.

Market value changes for individual properties will vary each year due to many factors including the general real estate market, property location and changes made to the property such as new additions, remodels, or demolition.

Voters in the past year have approved changes to the tax levies and bond rates which are then applied to a property's Assessed Value (AV). However, Oregon's constitution limits the total tax rate that can be billed to an individual property to no more than \$10 per \$1,000 of market value for government and \$5 per \$1,000 of market value for schools. These limits do not apply to bonds.

If a taxpayer believes his or her property's market value is incorrect, the tax-

payer should first contact Lane County Assessment and Taxation.

Taxpayers have the right to appeal to the Board of Property Tax Appeals through the Deeds and Records Division of the County Clerk's Office. The Board of Property Tax Appeals has the authority to reduce market value when sufficient evidence is provided to demonstrate the RMV of a property was different on January 1, 2018 than what is on the tax state-

ment. If RMV is still higher than AV, the tax payment will likely remain the same. A reduction to the value does not always result in a refund. The Board cannot grant reductions to a tax amount; it can only review a property's value.

All appeals must be filed with the Lane County Deeds and Records office by Dec. 31.

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its infrastructure.

The city council was then presented with three options to replace or repair the bridge with the board opting to try and main-

tain the bridge's swinging movement at the urging of community members. The cost of repairing the bridge was set at approximately \$1 million with half of that amount designated in engineering fees. However, the city has said it could ab-

sorb that cost by utilizing in-house engineering, placing the actual cost of repair closer to \$500,000.

The trail grant committee will be meeting in November and is expected to award grant funds to successful applicants.





# HOLIDAY BAZAAR

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<p><b>DRAIN:</b> <b>HOPE U.M.C.</b> 131 W "A" St. Drain, OR 541-315-1617 Pastor: Lura Kidner-Miesen Fellowship &amp; Song: 11:30am Potluck Lunch: 12:00pm Worship: 12:30pm</p>	<p><b>Delight Valley</b> Church of Christ 33087 Saginaw Rd. East 541-942-7711 Pastor: Bob Friend Two Services: 9am - Classic in the Chapel 10:30am - Contemporary in the Auditorium</p>	<p><b>Our Lady of Perpetual Help and St. Philip Benizi</b> Catholic Churches 1025 N. 19th St. 541-942-3420 Father: Joseph Hung Nguyen Holy Mass: Tue-Thu: 8:30am; Sat: 5:30pm Sun: 10:30am Confession: After daily mass, Sat. 4-5pm or by appointment St. Philip Benizi, Creswell 552 Holbrook Lane 541-895-8686, Sunday: 8:30am</p>
<p><b>COTTAGE GROVE:</b> <b>6th &amp; Gibbs Church of Christ</b> 195 N. 6th St. • 541-942-3822 Pastor: Aaron Earlywine 9:00am &amp; 10:30am Christian Education: Pre-K through 5th <a href="http://www.6thandgibbs.com">www.6thandgibbs.com</a></p>	<p><b>First Baptist Church</b> 301 S. 6th st • 541-942-8242 Interim Pastor: Reed Webster Sunday School 9:30am Worship Service 11:00am Youth Wednesday 6:30pm <a href="http://cgfirstbaptist.com">cgfirstbaptist.com</a></p>	<p><b>St. Andrews Episcopal Church</b> 1301 W. Main • 541-767-9050 Rev. Lawrence Crumb "Church with the flags." Worship: Sunday 10:30am All Welcome</p>
<p><b>Calvary Baptist Church</b> 77873 S 6th St • 541-942-4290 Pastor: Riley Hendricks Sunday School: 9:45am Worship: 11:00am The Journey: Sunday 5:00pm Praying Thru Life: Wednesday 6:00pm</p>	<p><b>First Presbyterian Church</b> 3rd and Adams St 541-942-4479 Rev.: Karen Hill Worship: 10:00am Sunday School: 10:00am <a href="http://fpcgrove.com">fpcgrove.com</a></p>	<p><b>Seventh-day Adventist Church</b> 820 South 10th Street 541-942-5213 Pastor: Kevin Miller Bible Study: Saturday, 9:15 am Worship Service: Saturday, 10:40 Mid-week Service: Wednesday, 1:00</p>
<p><b>Calvary Chapel Cottage Grove</b> 1447 Hwy 99 (Village Plaza) 541-942-6842 Pastor: Jeff Smith Two Services on Sun: 9am &amp; 10:45am Youth Group Bible Study Child Care 10:45am Service Only <a href="http://www.cgcalvary.org">www.cgcalvary.org</a></p>	<p><b>Hope In The Grove</b> 700 E. Gibbs • 401-855-5668 Pastor: Wayne Husk Sunday services: Worship: 9am Coffee Fellowship: 10:15am Bible Study: 10:30am</p>	<p><b>Trinity Lutheran Church</b> 6th &amp; Quincy • 541-942-2373 Pastor: James L. Markus Sunday School &amp; Adult Education 9:15am Sunday Worship 10:30 am Comm. Kitchen Free Meal Tue &amp; Thur 5:00pm TLC Groups <a href="http://tlccg.com">tlccg.com</a></p>
<p><b>Center for Spiritual Living</b> 700 Gibbs Ave. (Community Center) Rev. Bobby Lee Meets Sunday 3:00 p.m. <a href="mailto:cslcottagegrove@gmail.com">cslcottagegrove@gmail.com</a></p>	<p><b>Hope Fellowship</b> United Pentecostal Church 100 S. Gateway Blvd. 541-942-2061 Pastor: Dave Bragg Worship: 11:00am Sunday Bible Study: 7:00pm Wednesday <a href="http://www.hopefellowshipupc.com">www.hopefellowshipupc.com</a> "FINDING HOPE IN YOUR LIFE"</p>	<p><b>United Methodist Church</b> 334 Washington • 541-942-3033 Pastor: Lura Kidner-Miesen Worship: 10:30am Comm. Dinner (Adults \$5, Kids Free) 1st &amp; 3rd Monday 5-6:00pm <a href="http://umcgrove.org">umcgrove.org</a></p>
<p><b>Church of Christ</b> 420 Monroe St • 541-942-8565 Sunday Service: 10:30am</p>	<p><b>Non-Denominational Church of Christ</b> 1041 Pennoyer Ave 541-942-8928 Preacher: Tony Martin Sunday Bible Study: 10:00am Sunday Worship: 10:50am &amp; 5:30pm <a href="http://www.pennoyeravecc.com">www.pennoyeravecc.com</a></p>	<p><b>"VICTORY" Country Church</b> 913 S. 6th Street • 541-942-5913 Pastor: Barbara Dockery Worship Service: 10:00am Message: "WE BELIEVE IN MIRACLES"</p>
<p><b>Cottage Grove Bible Church</b> 1200 East Quincy Avenue 541-942-4771 Pastor: Bob Singer Worship 11am Sunday School: 9:45am AWANA age 3-8th Grade, Wednesdays Sept-May, 6:30pm <a href="http://www.cgbible.org">www.cgbible.org</a></p>	<p><b>Old Time Gospel Fellowship</b> 103 S. 5th St. • 541-942-4999 Pastor: Jim Edwards Sunday Service: 10:00am Join in Traditional Christian Worship</p>	<p><b>CRESWELL:</b> Creswell Presbyterian Church 75 S 4th S • 541-895-3419 Rev. Seth Wheeler Adult Sunday School 9:15am Sunday Worship Service 10:30 am website <a href="http://www.creswellpres.org">www.creswellpres.org</a></p>
<p><b>Cottage Grove Faith Center</b> 33761 Row River Rd. 541-942-4851 Lead Pastor: Kevin Pruettt <a href="http://www.cg4.tv">www.cg4.tv</a> Full Children's Ministry available Service: 10:00am</p>	<p style="font-size: 1.2em;">Worship With Us!</p>	

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