

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PROPERTY OWNERS

This property tax information covers areas such as rendering taxable property and applying for exemptions. All forms and applications can be obtained at the Tom Green County Appraisal District.

## HOMEOWNERS

### HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION

A homestead exemption lowers the amount of taxes due on a property owner's primary residence.

#### REQUIREMENTS:

- Own and live in the home as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020.
- Not claiming a homestead on any other property.
- A copy of the applicant's driver's license or state-issued ID with the current home address.
- Application deadline is **April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020**.
- Applied for each year? NO

### OVER 65 OR DISABLED

An additional exemption and a ceiling can be applied for when a homeowner turns 65 years of age or becomes disabled.

#### REQUIREMENTS:

- Can be applied for as soon as the owner turns 65 years of age or becomes disabled by law.
- If disabled, a copy of the letter from the social security office stating the date the disability started.
- A copy of the applicant's driver's license or state-issued ID.
- Application deadline is **April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020**
- Applied for each year? NO

### DISABLED VETERANS

An exemption is available for disabled veterans, the surviving spouse or the surviving children of a disabled veteran. The exemption amount is determined according to the percentage of service-connected disability.

#### REQUIREMENTS:

- A copy of the applicant's driver's license or state-issued identification card.
- A copy of the letter from the Veterans' Administration stating the starting date and disability rating.
- Application deadline is **April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020**.
- Applied for each year? Only if the disability rating changes.

## AGRICULTURE:

Farmers and ranchers can apply for an agricultural productivity appraisal and lower property taxes based upon the productivity value of their land rather than the market value.

#### REQUIREMENTS:

- New owner – application deadline is **April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020**
- To qualify, the land must be in agricultural production 5 out of 7 years.
- Owners of land qualified as 1-d-1 need not file again in later years unless the chief appraiser requests a new application.
- If a new application is required, the appraisal district will notify you by mail.

## BUSINESSES:

If you own tangible personal property that is used to produce income, you must file a rendition with the Tom Green County Appraisal District. The deadline by state law for filing a business personal property rendition or an extension is **April 15<sup>th</sup>**,

**2020.** A rendition is a report to your county appraisal district that lists the taxable property that you owned or controlled on Jan. 1 of this year. This often applies to furniture, fixtures, equipment or inventory owned by a business. A 10% penalty will be imposed if a rendition is filed late, incomplete or not at all.

For more information or applications, contact the Tom Green County Appraisal District at 2302 Pulliam Street, San Angelo, Texas 76905 or phone (325) 658-5575. Information and Applications are also available on the Comptroller's Property Tax Assistance Division's website at [comptroller.texas.gov/taxes/property-tax/](http://comptroller.texas.gov/taxes/property-tax/).