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Oakland County Treasurer Andy Meisner Continues Property Tax Foreclosure Moratorium

- Oakland County Treasurer Andy Meisner continues the property tax foreclosure moratorium during 2021 to help residential and commercial property owners retain their properties in response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. In 2020, 2,494 properties were withheld from tax foreclosure.
- This year, 2,616 parcels are being withheld from tax foreclosure. Additionally, 800 parcels are being withheld without a payment plan. Due to public health and safety concerns, 13 properties — with a range of environmental issues — are being foreclosed.
- The Oakland County Treasurer's Office is diligently working with residents and property owners to create individualized payment plans with practicable payment terms to help property owners retain their properties.

PONTIAC, Mich., Feb. 11, 2021, — Oakland County Treasurer Andy Meisner announced the foreclosure moratorium will continue for the second consecutive year — with 2,616 parcels being withheld from tax foreclosure in 2021 — in response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. As introduced in 2020, Oakland County residential and commercial property owners will not lose their properties to tax foreclosure as our state and nation continues to grapple with the pandemic.

Recognizing the ongoing economic hardships being faced by many residents and business owners throughout the county, the Oakland County Treasurer's Office offers several payment options, including payment plans with practical terms that enable taxpayers to retain their property. Since Jan. 2, 2021, the Oakland County Treasurer's Office has diligently worked to assist property owners through individual taxpayer assistance meetings on nearly 500 parcels and approximately 1,400 automatic repayment schedules have been issued.

"As the economic, social and other challenges created by the prolonged COVID-19 pandemic, Oakland County property owners should not have the additional burden of losing a home or commercial property," said Oakland County Treasurer Andy Meisner. "We will continue working with our residents and property owners and encourage them to contact our office for online, drop box and in-person payment options as well as payment plan assistance."



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There are 800 parcels being held from tax foreclosure without a payment plan. Due to a range of environmental issues, 13 properties are being foreclosed for public health and safety concerns. Last year, 2,494 properties were withheld from tax foreclosure.

All Oakland County property owners are encouraged to contact the Oakland County Treasurer's office by phone at (248) 858-0611 or visit our website at oakgov.com/treasurer for assistance.

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