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## PROPERTY TAXES COLLECTED and POSTED FOR April 10<sup>th</sup> 2019

**Madera, CA.**— “Over eighty million dollars in property tax payments were collected and posted from the April 10<sup>th</sup> property tax deadline”, reported Tracy Kennedy Madera County Treasurer-Tax Collector.

All payments were posted and balanced by Friday April 12, 2019, “That’s incredible” said Kennedy, “we’ve never been completely balanced and settled this early for the 2<sup>nd</sup> installment! The best thing about being balanced early, is that the tax apportionments to all of the schools, cities and special districts can now be distributed. I attribute this early closing to a well trained staff, an additional remittance processor, and the addition of new staff to provide the support needed. Staff did excellent, I’m very proud of them!” The property tax payments, once apportioned, in part, support the functions of your school districts, your cities (Madera and Chowchilla) and your special districts and only about 15% goes to the County of Madera for their operations.

During this time, staff also attended to taxpayers that call in. Between April 1<sup>st</sup> and April 10<sup>th</sup>, staff received and answered approximately 745 calls!! “Yes, we still answer our own phones!! I’m really humbled at how well this April collection came together, “said Kennedy.

As is typical, most of our payments, around 32% of over 60,000 parcels, are made by mailing, another 41% are paid thru their mortgage company, and the balance paid with credit cards, E checks, online bank checks, or in office counter transactions.

This collection period we received over \$3 million in E check payments, which we are really promoting. “Easy to use, they post in real time, and it’s FREE to the taxpayer!”



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We will be sending out reminder notices soon to those taxpayers that may have overlooked their tax payments.

Taxpayers can verify and/or view that their payments were posted to their account on the treasurer's website: [www.madera-county.com/treasurer](http://www.madera-county.com/treasurer). Just log in and follow the prompts for "Paying your taxes" and your entire tax bill will be revealed together with your payment information.

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