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## PRESS RELEASE

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### Secured Property Tax Second Installment Deadline Friday, April 10th Use Free eCheck: Fast. Safe. Secure.

SANTA ANA, Calif. – Orange County Treasurer Shari L. Freidenrich reminds property owners that the last timely payment date to avoid the 10 percent late penalty is Friday, April 10 for their Fiscal Year 2025-26 secured property tax second installment.

“Our goal is to make paying property taxes at [taxbill.octreasurer.gov](https://taxbill.octreasurer.gov) as safe, secure and convenient as possible. Our free eCheck option provides immediate confirmation and timely credit with zero service fees,” says Treasurer Shari L. Freidenrich. Taxpayers can pay online by eCheck or credit/debit card until midnight on April 10th, and receive same day credit, along with an emailed date-stamped confirmation for their records. eCheck funds are deducted from bank accounts in 2-3 days, and property tax accounts are updated online as paid in one to two business days, but credited the day actually paid online. While there is no charge for eCheck, taxpayers who pay with a credit or debit card are assessed a recently reduced service rate of 2.25 percent. This lowered service fee is expected to collectively save Orange County taxpayers thousands of dollars.

As a reminder, mailed payments received after April 10th without a U.S. Postal Service (USPS) postmark April 10th or earlier, will be charged a 10 percent delinquent penalty, plus a \$23 fee. Taxpayers who mail their payments are encouraged to get a hand-stamped postmark by the post office, as USPS reports that postmarking is applied only at regional processing and distribution centers — this means mail deposited in a collection box or local post office may not be postmarked on the day it’s dropped.

In need of a copy of current or prior years’ property tax bills for Federal or State tax returns? View/print property tax bills dating back 16 years; with two years of payment history and an online parcel statement by entering the property address or parcel number at [taxbill.octreasurer.gov](https://taxbill.octreasurer.gov). The site also lists the status of current and delinquent property tax bills to help taxpayers avoid the 18 percent annual delinquent charge. Quickly view and pay taxes electronically by scanning the QR code on the secured property tax bill which links to the specific parcel information page on our website.



#### Four Easy Payment Options:

1. **Pay online** at [taxbill.octreasurer.gov](https://taxbill.octreasurer.gov) 24/7 up to midnight on April 10th. There is no service fee for eCheck.
2. **Pay in person** at the County Service Center at 601 N. Ross Street (9 a.m. to 5 p.m. with free 30-minute onsite parking in lot P4), enter going south on Broadway. View map at [octreasurer.gov/octaxparking](https://octreasurer.gov/octaxparking)). For security and reporting, we urge taxpayers to avoid cash; a cashier’s check is alternatively recommended. Payments may also be dropped any time in our payment depository box, County Administration South Building, 601 N. Ross Street. (Parking lot available along with metered parking). Never deposit cash.
3. **Pay by phone** using our automated telephone system by debit/credit card 24/7 up to midnight on April 10th at 714-834-3411. (Recently reduced: 2.25 percent service charge assessed).
4. **Pay by mail** using the USPS is not preferred due to increased incidences of mail and check fraud. For those taxpayers that prefer to mail a check, be sure to get a hand-stamped postmark on or before April 10<sup>th</sup>.

#### NEW! Links To Help Protect Your Property & Money:

For convenience, every parcel page at [taxbill.octreasurer.gov](https://taxbill.octreasurer.gov) now contains helpful recently added State and County tools and resources:

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- ✓ Order a Free Annual Credit Report
- ✓ Check for Unclaimed Funds by Property Address
- ✓ View Comprehensive Property Details

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