Enclosed is your Real Estate Tax Statement for 2019. The Village of Pleasant Prairie mails your tax statement to you and collects your payment on behalf of Kenosha Unified School District, Kenosha County, the Village, Gateway Technical College, and the public library system.

# **General Information About Your Property Tax**



## **Making Your Payment**

Village Hall office hours are 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Village offices will be closed on December 24, 25 and 31, 2019 and January 1, 2020.

Your entire real estate tax bill, or your first installment, is due by January 31, 2020. Failure to meet this deadline will result in the entire tax bill becoming due and payable. Additionally, interest and penalties at the rate of 1.5% per month will begin to accumulate as of February 1, 2020. Payments not receipted at Village Hall by February 7, 2020 or postmarked on or before January 31, 2020 are delinquent. There are several ways for you to make your real estate tax payment.

#### Installment Plan Option

The Village offers a three installment payment plan for your real estate taxes only. Please refer to your enclosed statement for the respective due dates and amounts for each of the installments. If an installment is delinquent, the total remaining unpaid tax becomes delinquent and interest and penalties are calculated back to February 1, 2020.

### **Pay From Home**

The Village has added checking or savings account payments in addition to credit cards to pay your real estate and personal property taxes. Payments can be made either online or by telephone through *Payment Service Network*. Payment convenience fees will apply: \$1 fee for check and savings payments; 2.5% plus \$0.50 for payments under \$100, for credit and debit card payments. While the credit card fee may seem high, it may be less than the delinquency interest and penalties of 1.5%.

To pay by eCheck, savings, or credit card Call 1-866-917-7368 or visit:

www.PleasantPrairieWi.gov
(bottom page "Online Payments" icon)

eCheck

VISA

MasterCard

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A fee will be charged for this service.

## Save Time - Pay By Mail

Make your check payable to the Village of Pleasant Prairie, write your tax parcel number on the check and enclose the payment stub only (top portion of your Real Property Tax Statement).

### **Village Hall Drop Box**

For your convenience, a 24-hour drop box is available for payment of your tax bills. It is located on the north wall of Village Hall to the right (west) of the main entrance at 9915 39<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Please enclose your payment stub along with a check in an envelope before depositing. No

cash please. Village Hall will be closed on December 31, 2019 and January 1, 2020. Payments deposited in the drop box on these days will be receipted in 2019.

## Tax Receipts

If you would like a tax receipt, you will need to enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope when making your payment, or come to Village Hall located at 9915 39th Avenue to make a payment. This change was made as a cost savings measure.

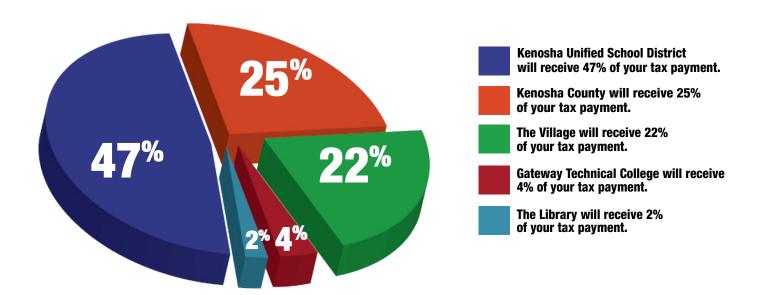
### **Lottery Credit**

The maximum 2018 lottery credit was \$159.80. As of the printing of this notice, the maximum 2019 lottery credit was not yet available. Only owners of a home in Wisconsin who used the home as their primary residence on January 1, 2019 qualify for the credit. An owner who qualifies for the credit but whose tax bill does not reflect the credit, may claim the credit until January 31 with the Village of Pleasant Prairie Treasurer.

### Online Tax and Payment Information

Property information is now available at *kenoshacounty.org/831/Property-Taxes* or at *pleasantprairiewi.gov/departments/finance/property\_tax\_faq*. Inquiries can be made by property address or parcel identification number. The site contains a considerable amount of information about your property, including taxes due and taxes paid. Tax payment information is updated daily.

## **Where Does Your Property Tax Payment Go**



## **What Happens to the 22%**

The majority of 2020 budget dollars (approximately 74%) will be used to provide public safety services, such as police, fire and rescue, and public works services, such as snow plowing, road maintenance, and similar work. The remaining amount (roughly 26%) will be used to: pay down existing debt, finance General Government's day-to-day operations, operate a Community Development Department, and maintain the Village parks. Percentages\* for each area are shown below.



**50%** will be invested in public safety services, including police, fire and rescue





24% will be invested in public works services, such as snow plowing, road maintenance and similar work



7% will be used to pay down existing debt, and another 14% will be used for general government operations





5% will be used for the Community Development Department and the Village parks system

<sup>\*</sup>Percentages are rounded.