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Who is Taxing Your Property at a Glance: Providing Accountability

As your Treasurer and a fellow homeowner, I believe that property owners are entitled to complete transparency of those responsible for setting tax rates. The Treasurer's job is to collect taxes; the Office has no role in assessing taxes. Even so, I feel it is my duty to better inform taxpayers. To make things easier to understand, we've created a newly enhanced tax bill. The tax bill now has an emphasis on providing clarity and transparency. At a glance, we've included a pie chart that concisely explains the breakdown of your property taxes. The bill also includes the website and contact information of each taxing jurisdiction, making it easier for taxpayers to be better informed about their tax rates and hold local authorities accountable. We have produced a comparison report titled "Who's Taxing My Property" (see at **treasurer.maricopa.gov**) that allows property owners to compare their relative tax rates across cities and school districts within Maricopa County.

Investing in the Future of Education Without a Tax Increase

The Treasurer's Office won a National Achievement Award for negotiating a grace period with our servicing bank for penalty interest charges saving Maricopa County schools \$174,000 annually. In addition to that savings, the Treasurer's Office has returned interest on invested earnings of over \$12 Million to school districts in just this past fiscal year.

Get Updates on Line, Pay Online: Go Paperless

Wouldn't it be nice to receive your tax bill statement notice electronically by email? **eNoticesOnline.com** takes the hassle out of remembering when your taxes are due. Our Office has partnered with the Assessor's Office to provide a one-stop solution to view all your tax bills, information, and notices. Please see the enclosed **eNotices** flyer for instructions.

If You Prefer to Pay in Person, Pay Your Property Tax at any Arizona Chase Bank

The Maricopa County Treasurer has partnered with Chase Bank to make paying your taxes more convenient. Bring your payment coupon to any Arizona Chase Bank, even if you don't bank with Chase, and pay your property taxes there.

Elderly Assistance

I am asking the legislature to work with me to keep low income seniors from being taxed out of their homes. My goal is to move low income seniors from a class 3 to a class 6. This would lower their taxes and provide a Constitutional solution for this qualified group of seniors. This will benefit the state general fund by \$2.7 Million each year, according to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee. WHAT A WIN, WIN DEAL.

Sincerely,

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