



## **Notice of Proposed Property Taxes**

This is your 2023 TRIM notice (TRuth In Millage notice) that informs you of Wakulla County's proposed 2023 taxes.

Taxing authorities can lower the final tax rate in scheduled public meetings in September. If you think proposed taxes are too high, you need to immediately contact your County Commissioners, School Board Members, and, if you live in St Marks, City Commissioners to let them know your thoughts and concerns about proposed spending. I encourage you to call, email, and attend scheduled public meetings to influence final tax rate decisions.

The property values shown on your TRIM notice are based on your property's market value as of January 1, 2023. Please visit www.MyWakullaPA.com and look up your property to confirm your record is correct. If you find a mistake, please contact us to get it corrected; it will impact your assessment. If you disagree with the assessed value of your property, please let me or my staff know. Corrections can still be made but time is running out! We have 25 days from when we mailed this TRIM to correct errors you point out in our assessments.

Make sure you have asked for every exemption that applies to you (homestead, senior, veteran, widow/widower, deployed military, etc.). Correct data is essential for us to meet our goal of Honest and Impartial Property Assessments.

Strict separation of duties is mandated by Florida's Constitution and wisely limits the power of each area of government. My role, as your Property Appraiser, is to report property values and administer property tax exemptions. I have no role in establishing tax rates and cannot collect any taxes. Commissioners and School Board Members approve budgets and oversee operations of government offices. They have no role in assessing property or collecting taxes. Similarly, the Tax Collector is limited to sending tax bills and collecting taxes. Each "leg" of government is essential and can't work without the others, much like a 3-legged stool.

**OFFICE HOURS**: We are available to assist you in person from 8:30am through 5:00pm, Monday – Friday. If you have a question about your property assessments, personal exemptions, or classifications, please contact our office at 850-926-0500.

Please visit our website at www.MyWakullaPA.com or follow us on Facebook for updates and information.

We are here to serve you and consider it a privilege to do so.

Sincerely,

Edward EA