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Paying taxes online is more convenient, saves time

Many more Wayne County residents are choosing Treasurer website as best way to make payments

Five years ago, the Office of the Wayne County Treasurer first went online. Since that time the Treasurer's Office has collected more than \$70 million in online payments of delinquent property taxes. In 2008 alone, our office accepted over 12,000 online payments representing approximately \$23 million.

The message? More and more Wayne County residents are learning that paying their delinquent property taxes online is safe, secure, and convenient. It's just that simple.

There is no need for taxpayers to come downtown to pay their delinquent property taxes and struggle with the combined hassles and inconvenience of traffic, parking, long lines and crowds because they can now pay from their home or office. Wayne County Treasurer Raymond J. Wojtowicz is encouraging taxpayers to save themselves a trip and pay online. Thousands are already doing so, and more are making the switch every day.

Taxpayers who prefer to save time can easily pay their delinquent property taxes from home online at the website for the Office of the Wayne County Treasurer, located at www.treasurer.waynecounty.com. Paying delinquent property taxes online is a safe and secure method of payment. Taxpayers also have several choices of how to make their payment:

- 1) You can pay by debiting your personal checking or savings account. This transaction is free of charge.
- 2) You can pay using your Visa or MasterCard. All charge card transactions will be charged a fee of 2.49 % of the payment amount, which goes to the credit card company. **The Treasurer does not receive any portion of this fee.**
- 3) You can now set up a payment plan and/or make partial payments online, which is a brand new option just made available this year.

Other acceptable methods of payment still include paying in-person at our office which is located in downtown Detroit at 400 Monroe Street on the 5th Floor, or sending payment by mail to:



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Taxpayers who have delinquent 2007 property taxes due are strongly advised to set up a payment plan that will enable them to pay off that balance before March 31, 2010.

Anyone having difficulty paying delinquent 2006 property taxes should call our Taxpayer Assistance Department at 313-224-6105 or visit our website at www.treasurer.waynecounty.com