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## **Greene County Collector announces tax statement timeline change for 2020**

Greene County Collector Leah Betts is advising residents the County tax statements will be mailed out later than normal this year. Citizens are encouraged to continue to plan for their end of the year tax payments.

The Greene County Collector's Office makes it their goal each year to send personal and real property tax notices in early November. However, this year will be different. Although the Assessor's office has completed their assessment work, the process for finalizing and delivering that data to the County Clerk is still in progress. This is expected to cause a delay in the delivery of the tax book to the Collector, which will delay tax statements. Betts is not yet able to determine a mailing date, but will keep the public posted.

"Anyone who has worked with my office knows we put a premium on customer service, so we want to be as proactive as possible so that residents can plan accordingly," Betts said. "We are working diligently with all the other county offices and vendors involved in the process to serve the public to the best of our ability within the given circumstances."

How the process works: The Assessor's Office assesses both real and personal property. The County Clerk uses those assessed values and the taxing district levies to calculate the taxes in order to deliver the tax book to the Collector. The Collector's Office then sends out the statements, collects and distributes your tax dollars to taxing districts such as schools, municipalities and libraries.

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*Greene County is the State of Missouri's fourth most populous county, serving more than 275,000 people (2010 census). Its mission is to provide all citizens of Greene County, including those in its cities, a safe and thriving community through excellent customer service, unparalleled dedication, and the efficient use of taxpayer dollars. The Greene County Commission is the executive body of Greene County operating under guidelines established in the Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri. Within that authority the Commission enacts ordinances, resolutions and policies, supervises the activities of county departments, fixes salaries, adopts the annual budget, provides for construction and other services, and conducts hearings on planning and zoning matters.*

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