

NEWS RELEASE

2013 PAYABLE 2014 SPRING TAXES DUE MAY 12, 2014 & FALL TAXES DUE NOVEMBER 10, 2014

If you have purchased a new real estate property, please make sure to check into any deductions you may be entitled to for 2014 PAY 2015.

While Indiana real property owners have until the end of the year to file for property tax deductions, Cass County Auditor is urging individuals to file as soon as possible.

"Property owners should file deduction applications as soon as they are able", said Auditor Ide. "We don't want anyone to miss out on a deduction because they missed the application deadline."

Deduction applications must be completed and dated or post marked by December 31, 2014 and filed with County Auditor office for the tax payer to receive the eligible deductions on 2015 property tax bills.

Deduction applications are available at the county auditor's office or may be downloaded from the Department of Local Government Finance web site, <http://www.in.gov/dlgf/2344.htm>

In addition to meeting **all other eligibility requirements** for the desired deduction(s), the applicant for the deduction must own or be buying the property under a recorded contract on the date the application is filed in order to receive the deduction.

If you turned 65 in 2013 and have owned property for over a year. You may be entitled to an over 65 real estate deduction. However, there are qualifications for this deduction.

Persons filing for deductions on annually assessed mobile homes still are required to apply for the deduction during the 12 months before March 31 of each year.

Property Deductions Available

- Homestead
- Mortgage
- Over 65
- Blind or Disabled
- Disabled Veteran
- Geothermal

If you believe you are eligible for any property deductions, please call or visit the Auditor's office. For 2015 taxes, deductions must be filed by December 31, 2014.

For more information, please visit the Department of Local Government Finance's Property Tax Deductions web site <http://www.in.gov/dlgf/2344.htm>

You CANNOT compare your bill to your neighbor's, there are too many variables. To calculate your taxes, you may be able to use the State's website. Be aware you have to know all the variables. Click here to use the [Tax Calculator](#).

Specific questions about property tax deduction eligibility should be directed to County Auditor office. Cass County Government Building, 200 Court Park. Phone (574) 753-7720. Office hours are Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.