

Notices of 2019 Real Estate Assessed Value to be Mailed Jan. 23

Tomorrow, Jan. 23, the <u>Mecklenburg County Assessor's Office</u> will begin mailing Notices of 2019 Real Estate Assessed Value to nearly 400,000 property owners across the County. It is important to remember that this Notice is NOT a bill. It reflects the current market value of a given property as of Jan. 1, 2019. In addition, the new values will be available on <u>MeckReval.com</u>, the County's property assessment website, beginning Thursday.

Property owners who are satisfied with their new assessed value are not required to take any action. If a property owner has questions about their new value, they can follow the steps that are enclosed with their mailed Notice or visit <u>MeckReval.com</u>. The Assessor's Office will also hold six listening sessions in February throughout the County to allow property owners to ask questions. Dates and locations are still being finalized. Details will be provided soon.

For more information, contact County Assessor Ken Joyner at 980-314-4300 or Ken.Joyner@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov.

Mecklenburg County to Co-Host Early Childhood Education Event

Next Wednesday, Jan. 30, Mecklenburg County and the Foundation for The Carolinas will host an early childhood education event featuring author, former Charlotte Observer editor and child advocate David Lawrence Jr. The event will take place from 6 – 9 p.m. at the Foundation for the Carolinas, 220 N. Tryon St., Charlotte. Commissioners interested in attending are asked to RSVP to Earlychildhoodeducation@MeckNC.gov by Jan. 23.

The event will include a reception, interview, discussion and book signing opportunity for Lawrence's book "A Dedicated Life: Journalism, Justice, and a Chance for Every Child."

Local philanthropic and early childhood stakeholder sponsorships have been secured to cover the full cost of the event. Mecklenburg County's contribution for this event are in-kind only (staff time for event organization and planning).

The event sponsors are: Foundation For The Carolinas, Winer Family Foundation, Leading On Opportunity Council, TIAA, Smart Start of Mecklenburg County and CCRI.

For more information, contact Tameika Leslie at 980-314-6124 or

Tameika.Leslie@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov.

Finance Department Launches New Capital Improvement Plan Web Page

There's a new County <u>web page</u> on <u>MeckNC.gov</u> that allows residents the chance to learn more about the 74 capital projects Mecklenburg County is funding during fiscal years 2019-2023 to help accommodate our growing population.

The \$1.57 billion Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), which was approved by the <u>Board of County</u> <u>Commissioners</u> in June 2017 with adjustments adopted over the past year, is a 5-year plan for sustaining and improving the County's infrastructure. It includes the addition, renovation or replacement of County-owned facilities, infrastructure, equipment and land acquisition. Additionally, the County has the responsibility of funding capital projects for Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools, Central Piedmont Community College and the Charlotte Mecklenburg Library.

The plan is updated annually and provides a comprehensive approach to capital planning. The funds in the CIP are for construction and associated information technology only. Operating expenses after the completion of the project are reflected in the operating budget.

The funding for the CIP comes from two basic sources – borrowing through the issuance of General Obligation Bonds (59 percent) and direct funding (41 percent).

For more information, contact Finance Director Sarah Lyberg at 980-314-2979 or Sarah.Lyberg@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov.

Veterans Services Officer Honored by Department of Military and Veterans Affairs

Last month, <u>Community Support Services</u> (CSS) Veterans Service Officer Daren Graves was awarded the Certificate of Excellence from the NC Department of Military and Veterans Affairs during a staff training at the NC Veterans Services Officer Regional Training School. Every year, the state honors one officer from each of the three regions of North Carolina with this certificate.

Daren received this recognition for his exemplary dedication to the veterans of the state of North Carolina and for the passion with which he serves.

Mecklenburg County CSS Veterans Services officers act as local advocates for veterans and their families seeking assistance from the Department of Veterans Affairs, Department of Defense, local and state agencies.

For additional information about this recognition or the work CSS is doing to support veterans, contact Veterans Services Director Janene McGee at 980-314-1901 or Janene.McGee@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov.

CALENDAR REMINDERS

- Wednesday, Jan. 23, 9 a.m. County Assessor's Office staff will speak to the St. Paul's Adult Ministry group about the 2019 Revaluation.
- Wednesday Friday, Jan. 23-25: BOCC FY2020 Budget Retreat at the Grandover Hotel and Conference Center in Greensboro. The retreat is 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. on Wednesday, 9 a.m. – 4:45 p.m. on Thursday and 7:30 a.m. – 1:45 p.m. on Friday.
- Friday, Jan. 25, 9 a.m. County Assessor's Office staff will speak to the Greater Area Apartment
 Association about the 2019 Revaluation.
- Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2 p.m. BOCC Intergovernmental Relations Committee Meeting, CMGC 11th Floor Large Conference Room

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