



# VILLAGE OF TWIN LAKES

## 2012 TAX COLLECTION

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

#### When Are My Taxes Due?

All taxes, real or personal, must be paid either in full or the first installment before January 31, 2013. If your taxes are paid by a loan company, it is your responsibility, not the Village's, to get a copy of your tax bill to your loan company and ensure payment is made. The full amount of the escrow check must be applied to the tax bill, no exceptions. If there is an overpayment of your real estate taxes, it will take up to 10 days to receive your refund in the mail.

#### Where Do I Pay My Taxes?

Taxes may be paid at the following locations:

- 1) In person at Village Hall (108 E Main Street). If after hours, payments may be dropped in the secure drop box outside the main entrance.
- 2) Pay online or by phone at Official Payments Corporation. Visit the Village website ([www.villageoftwinlakes.net](http://www.villageoftwinlakes.net)) for details and links. To pay by phone, call 1-800-272-9829 and use Jurisdiction Code 6722. Major credit cards may be used for these transactions and a service fee applies.
- 3) By mail to Village of Twin Lakes (PO Box 1024, Twin Lakes, WI 53181) If you would like a receipt, be sure to include a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Make checks payable to Treasurer-Village of Twin Lakes.

No Cash Refunds will be given. All refunds will be mailed to you in check form within 14 days.

#### When Can I Make My Payment?

Tax payments are accepted at Village Hall Monday through Friday from 9am to 5pm. The Village is closed on the weekends, as well as holidays including December 24, 25, 31 and January 1. Village Hall is located at 108 E Main Street.

#### Who Do I Make My Check Payable To?

All checks should be made payable to *Treasurer-Village of Twin Lakes*.

#### Where Do My Taxes Go?

Your tax payment is distributed to eight taxing jurisdictions. Your tax payment breakdown depends on what K-8 school district you reside in. See the chart below to see where your tax dollars go:

Jurisdiction	Randall School District	Twin Lakes School District	Trevor/Wilmot School District
State of WI	0.9%	0.8%	1.0%
Kenosha County	25.6%	22.2%	28.3%
Village of Twin Lakes	21.7%	18.9%	24.1%
K-8 School	9.7%	21.6%	0.1%
Wilmot UHS	31.4%	27.2%	34.7%
Gateway Tech. College	8.2%	7.1%	9.0%
Community Library	1.7%	1.4%	1.8%
Twin Lakes Lake District	0.9%	0.8%	1.0%

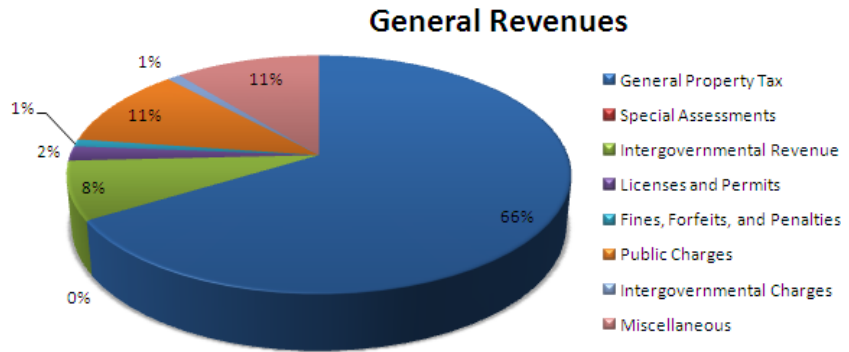


# VILLAGE OF TWIN LAKES VILLAGE TAX INFO

What does the Village portion of my taxes pay for?

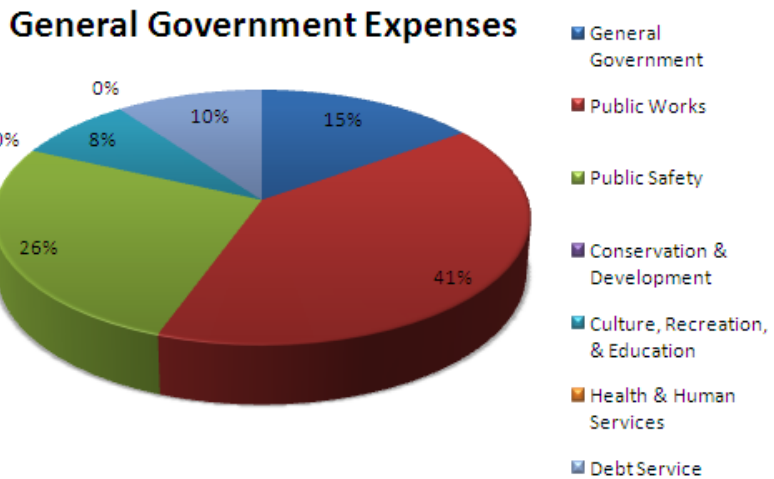
## How much of my taxes goes towards Village operations?

Depending on your school district, between 18% and 21% of your tax payment goes to fund Village operations. Taxes only make up 66% of Village revenues. The Village borrowed funds in 2012 to pay for road improvements in 2013 and 2014, which affects the expenses pie chart shown below.



## What services does the Village spend my tax dollars on?

The Village of Twin Lakes has budgeted \$4,936,425 to fund all Village programs and functions. The average homeowner will pay the Village \$969 for Village operations as shown to the right. The 2013 levy remains consistent from 2012, meaning for the average homeowner, there will be no increase in taxes owed to the Village. Because homes were reassessed in 2012, residents may see an increase or decrease in their taxes depending on their individual home value. The average property in Twin Lakes decreased in value by 19%. Those whose properties decreased more will see a lower tax bill. Those whose property decreased less than the average will see a higher tax bill. However, the funds received by the Village have not changed from 2012 to 2013.



## Dog & Cat Licenses

*Don't Forget!* State and municipal law dictates that all dogs and cats 5 months old and older be licensed by March 31st of each year. Licenses can be purchased at Village Hall.