

Notice is hereby given: that I, Donna Akerley, Town of Fallsburg Tax Collector have received the Tax Roll and Warrant for Collection of taxes in the Town of Fallsburg, Sullivan County, New York for the year 2012 and have fixed the following schedule for receiving taxes:

If paying by mail send payments to:
**Town of Fallsburg Land Tax Collector
% CATSKILL HUDSON BANK
PO Box 626 South Fallsburg, New York 12779**

If paying in person please feel free to pay at the:
**Town of Fallsburg Town Hall,
19 Railroad Plaza, South Fallsburg, New York 12779
(845) 434-8810 ext. 1 (phone)
(845) 434-8809 (fax)
Monday - Friday
9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
During collection period of
January 3rd, 2012 - March 31st, 2012
(Except weekends & holidays)**

Or in person at
**Catskill Hudson Bank
6 Railroad Plaza, South Fallsburg, NY 12779
Lobby Hours:
Mon - Thurs 8:30AM - 4:00PM
Fri 8:30AM - 6:00PM
Sat 9:00AM - 12:00PM**

Please bring / send your **entire** tax bill or photocopy of bill when making payments. **We will mail you a receipt after payment has cleared.** Please write your **Tax Map Number** on your check located next to your name & address on your bill. Without proper bill / owner identification, we might not be able to process your payment.
NO CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED - U.S. POST MARK IS ACCEPTED not postage meter stamps.

SOLID WASTE/RECYCLING FEE

Sullivan County has imposed an annual fee to pay for solid waste/recycling disposal. This fee appears as a separate line item on your tax bill and is payable along with the tax. Please direct all questions to the County Treasurer's office at 845-807-0200.

Taxes may be paid as follows:

January - 50% due by - 1/31/12 - 0% interest
February - 25% due by - 2/29/12 - 1% interest - on remaining amount
March - 25% due by - 3/31/12 - 2% interest - on remaining amount + \$2.00 unpaid notice fee.
The additional fee of \$2.00 is included in March payments as required by NYS Law.
FULL Payment may be made at any time during collection. Please include your bill with payment.

LAST PAYMENT DATE MUST BE POSTMARKED or RECEIVED IN PERSON BY 3/31/12.

You must make 1st installment by January 31st in order to be entered into the payment plan option.
Please DO NOT mix and match payment amounts, please follow the payment schedule as indicated.

**PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL BE A \$25.00 SURCHARGE FEE
FOR ALL RETURNED CHECKS**

Payments made between March 15th & March 31st must be certified funds, cash or money order.
When paying in cash please bring exact amount due.

****FURTHER NOTE: If your taxes are in escrow, your bill information has been forwarded to the bank. This bill is for your records only. You or your bank may also at any time obtain a copy of your current tax bill by calling this office or visiting the tax web site at www.taxlookup.net/fallsburg during the tax collection period. We do not maintain this web site after March 31st.****

If you no longer own this property or have an address change, please inform the assessor with the new owner's name and address or forward the bill to the rightful owner.

You may be eligible for **Senior Citizens Tax Exemption** on your **PRIMARY RESIDENCE ONLY**. Senior Citizens have until **March 1, 2012** to apply for such exemptions. For information, please write or call your Town Assessor. **Address Changes, Veterans Exemptions, Firefighter Exemptions, and the STAR Program** may also be applied for by contacting:

**Town of Fallsburg Assessor Michael Pilmenstein
5250 Main Street
South Fallsburg, NY 12779
(845) 434-8814**

Tax Collector's Warrant expires **March 31, 2012**. If you wish to make a payment after this date, please contact the **Sullivan County Treasurer's Office** at (845) 807-0200 - 100 North Street, Government Center, Monticello, New York 12701



YOUR COUNTY PROPERTY TAXES...

The Sullivan County Legislature is providing this information to all property taxpayers in Sullivan County to inform them about how State and federal mandates affect their annual property tax bills.

*** The 2012 County Tax Levy totals \$49,877,857. Of that amount, 93.2 % is mandated. County government has little or no control over these costs.**

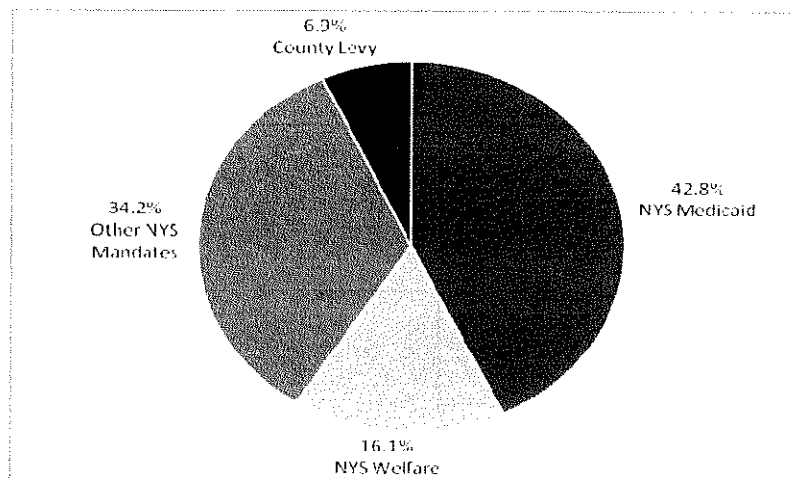
"Mandates" are federal or State created programs that are required to be operated by lower level governments. In New York State, most of these mandates are not accompanied by State money to pay for them or are only partially paid for. Because County government relies primarily upon property taxes to operate, expensive State mandates become expensive property taxes on local taxpayers.

NYS Medicaid Mandate: New York State has the most expensive Medicaid program in the nation. State legislators have authorized optional services for recipients that exceed what is required by federal regulations. New York's spending per recipient is the highest in the country. New York is one of only two states that mandate county governments to pay a portion of the State's cost. Sullivan County's Medicaid bill will be \$21,358,117 in 2012 and will increase by 3% every year, as mandated by the State. In 2012, about 42.8% of the property tax you pay will pay just one bill – Medicaid.

NYS Welfare Mandate: The State has established an extensive system of welfare benefits to assist needy individuals and families. Three central program groups: Public Assistance, Safety Net and Child Welfare cost the County \$8,033,338, which is 16.1 % of this year's tax levy.

NYS Mandates (other): State legislators mandate numerous other expenses including Early Intervention services, probation, indigent defense, jail staffing levels, and youth detention. These mandates are projected to cost the County \$17,058,763 in 2012, which is 34.2 % of the tax levy.

2012 Sullivan County Tax Levy (\$49,877,857)



State and Federal Representatives

Hon. Senator Charles E. Schumer, 757 Third Avenue, Suite 1702, New York, NY 10017
 Hon. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, 478 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510
 Hon. Congressman Maurice D. Hinchey, 18 Anawana Lake Road, Monticello, NY 12701
 Hon. Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, State Capitol, Albany, NY 12224
 Hon. Senator John J. Bonacic, 201 Dolson Avenue, Ste F, Middletown, NY 10940
 Hon. Assemblywoman Aileen M. Gunther, 18 Anawana Lake Road, Monticello, NY 12701

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