

## The 2016 Mercer County Property Assessment Year

### “NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS”

I, Mary A. McClellan, The Supervisor of Assessments for the County of Mercer in the State of Illinois do hereby certify that the following is a complete and accurate list of properties in the townships of: Eliza, Duncan, Perryton, Preemption, Richland Grove, New Boston, Millersburg, Mercer, Greene, Rivoli, Keithsburg, Abington, Ohio Grove, Suez and North Henderson for the 2016 assessment year. These assessments reflect any changes made by the Township Assessor or the Mercer County Supervisor of Assessments and the equalization factors applied by the Mercer County Supervisor of Assessments for the 2016 assessment year. The median level of assessments is 33 1/3% after equalization.

Your property is to be assessed at the above listed median level of assessment for the assessment district. *Equalization factors* have been applied to *all* residential (non- farm assessments including the farm dwelling and home site), commercial, industrial and excluding property assessed under sections 10-110 through 10-140 and 10-170 through 10-200 of the *Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/10-110 through 10-140 and 10-170 through 10-200.)*

You may check the accuracy of your assessment by taking the total assessment listed below and dividing by the median level of assessment. The resulting value should equal the estimated fair cash value of your property. If the resulting value is greater than the estimated fair cash value of your property, you may be over-assessed. If the resulting value is less than your fair cash value of your property, you may be under-assessed. You may appeal your assessment to *The Mercer County Board of Review*.

If you believe the fair cash value of your property is incorrect, or if you believe the assessment is not uniform with the assessment of comparable properties in the same neighborhood, you are advised to ask for a review of your assessment. Contact your township assessor's office first to ask for a review of your assessment. If you are not satisfied with the assessor's review, you are advised to file an appeal with *The Mercer County Board of Review*. The Mercer County Board of Review complaint forms, rules and procedures can be viewed and obtained at The Supervisor of Assessments Office, Township Assessor's Office or visit the county website:

<http://www.mercercountyil.org> to download and print the official rules and forms. The Supervisor of Assessments and The Mercer County Board of Review Offices are located on the first floor of The Mercer County Courthouse, 100 SE 3<sup>rd</sup> St, Aledo IL 61231. Office hours for the assessment office is 8:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. Monday thru Friday, (contact number: 309-582-7814) exception to approved holidays for closing. The complaint form(s) is to be filled out in its entirety and postmarked by Friday September 30, 2016. The deadline date for filing an appeal with The Mercer County Board of Review is 30 calendar days following the publication date. The Board of Review hearings will be held in accordance with the rules governing such hearings.

Your assessment will have a direct relationship to your 2016 tax bill, which will be payable 2017. All exemptions for which you are eligible will be deducted from your equalized assessed value to arrive at your taxable value. Your taxable value will then be multiplied by the aggregated tax rate of all taxing districts your property is located in to arrive at your total tax amount.

This serves as a public notice to the taxpayers of Mercer County of the changed assessed values placed upon their real property in 2016. The year 2016 is a Quadrennial Assessment Year for the townships of: Perryton, Richland Grove, Ohio Grove and Suez. All parcels in the quadrennial assessment year must be published. Also, THE PUBLISHED ASSESSED VALUES DO REFLECT FACTORS APPLIED BY THE SUPERVISOR OF ASSESSMENTS TO EQUALIZE BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIPS. All other townships in this publication have only the parcels printed that were changed other than by equalization and 2016 certified farmland values; any change that was made by a township assessor will have the factored value published.

If you had an assessment change due only to equalization other than quadrennial assessment year townships, you will not receive an assessment notice for 2016. To determine your assessed value for 2016, you must multiply the residential assessed value of your non-farmland, non-mineral and non-farm building shown on your tax bill by the factor listed for your township. The resulting figure will be your 2016 equalized assessed value.

The mailed *notice* reflects the total amount of assessment change broken down by non-farm land/home site, non-farm buildings, farmland, farm buildings and where applicable for each parcel. The *publication* reflects only the total assessed value.

YOUR PROPERTY MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR VARIOUS HOMESTEAD EXEMPTIONS AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 35 ILCS 200/15-165 THROUGH SECTION 15-175 AND SECTION 15-180. The complete information on these exemptions is available at The Supervisor of Assessments Office at (309)-582-7814 or your township assessor. Also, you may obtain exemption forms and information off the county website.

All values set forth here are subject to The Mercer County Board of Review and Illinois Department of Revenue equalization as provided for in 35 ILCS 200/16-25 through 16-80 and 35 ILCS 200/17-5.

The Supervisor of Assessments has applied factors for the 2016 assessment year as listed below. The factors are applied to all residential (non-farm buildings, non-farmland and non-mineral), commercial and industrial assessments as provided for in 35 ILCS 200/9-210 for purposes of equalization. The assessments are either increased or decreased by the percentage listed in this publication for each individual township.

<u>Township</u>	<u>Factor</u>
Eliza	1.0057
Duncan	1.0057
Perryton	1.0057
Preemption	1.0057
Richland Grove	1.0057
New Boston	1.0057
Millersburg	1.0057
Mercer	0.9890
Greene	1.0057
Rivoli	1.0057
Keithsburg	1.0057
Abington	1.0057
Ohio Grove	1.0057
Suez	1.0057
North Henderson	1.0057