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## A Message for SF Homeowners

The Office of the Assessor-Recorder is committed to help San Franciscans navigate through the COVID-19 crisis. That's why this quick resource guide was created to share community resources and information relevant to you.

### Families



- Financial planning is more important than ever, our 2020 Family Wealth Forum is now moving online! Register for this event, named "Build Your Financial Resilience" on July 18, 2020 at [www.sfassessor.org/familywealthforum](http://www.sfassessor.org/familywealthforum) today and learn how to prepare for future financial challenges.
- Children who are eligible for free or reduced-price meals can continue to get free grab & go meals from San Francisco Unified School District (visit [www.sfusd.edu](http://www.sfusd.edu) for more information). Families can also apply for additional CalFresh food assistance with the Human Services Agency at [www.sfhsa.org/services/health-food](http://www.sfhsa.org/services/health-food) or call (415) 558-4700.
- Sign up for the Department of Children, Youth and Families' summer notification list at [www.dcyf.org/care](http://www.dcyf.org/care) to stay informed on citywide summer camps and youth jobs programs.



### Seniors and Vulnerable Populations

- Call the Department of Disability and Aging Services' hotline (415) 355-6700 (7 days a week) to access latest information on food, home care, social engagement, and other essential support.
- Seniors and adults with disabilities can access reduced-cost taxi trips for essential rides through the Essential Trip Card (ETC) program. For more information, visit [www.sfmta.com](http://www.sfmta.com) or call 3-1-1 today to learn more.
- Homeowners and tenants experiencing financial hardships can visit the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development at [www.sfmohcd.org](http://www.sfmohcd.org) to learn more about their Give2SF Housing Stabilization Program and Homeowner Emergency Loan Program.

### Additional Resources




- Find new job opportunities on the Office of Economic and Workforce Development's website. Visit [www.oewd.org/covid19](http://www.oewd.org/covid19) and sign up to receive email updates.
- The San Francisco Public Library's robust digital services give card holders 24/7 free access to ebooks, audiobooks, magazines, movies, classes and more. Visit [www.sfpl.org](http://www.sfpl.org).
- There are over 30 sites collecting samples for COVID-19 testing throughout the city. Call 311 or visit [www.SF.gov/GetTestedSF](http://www.SF.gov/GetTestedSF) for more information.

## Public Health Reminder

As the City reopens, let's continue to take individual action to slow the spread of COVID-19. Protect ourselves, our families, and others by following the best health practices below:

Cover your face 

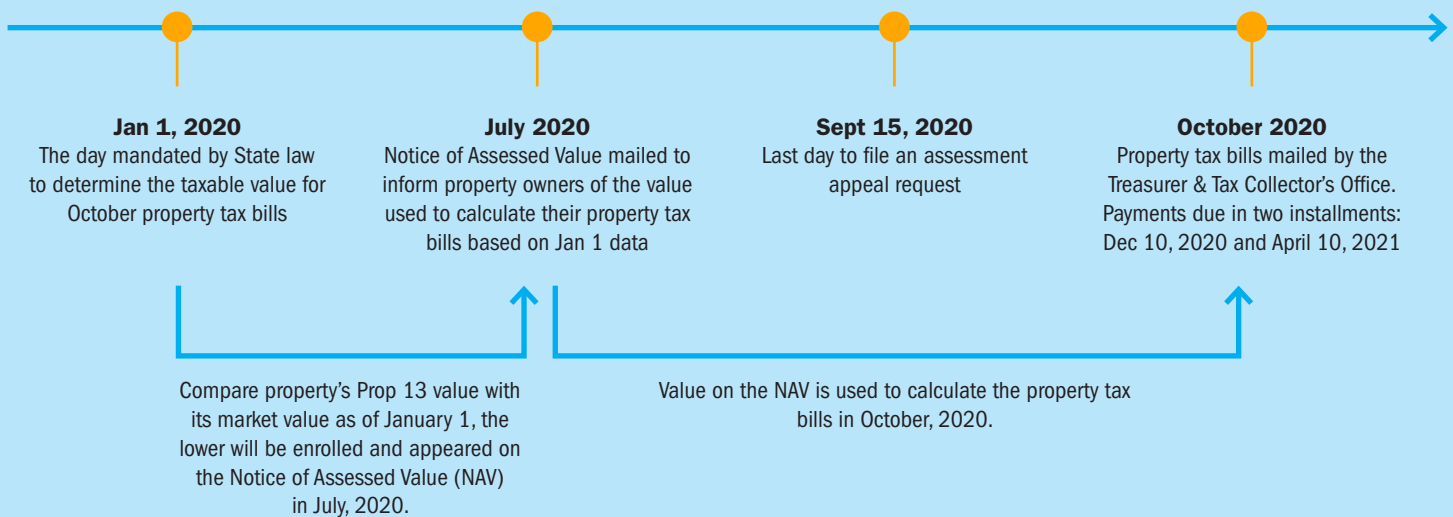
Stay 6 feet apart 

Wash your hands frequently 

## Should I Expect An Assessment Reduction As a Result of COVID-19?

Under State law, Assessors are required to consider the market value of a taxable property as of January 1 (lien date) each year and compare it to the property's Proposition 13 (1978) protected value. The lower value of the two is used to calculate the property tax bill due December of that year and April the following year.

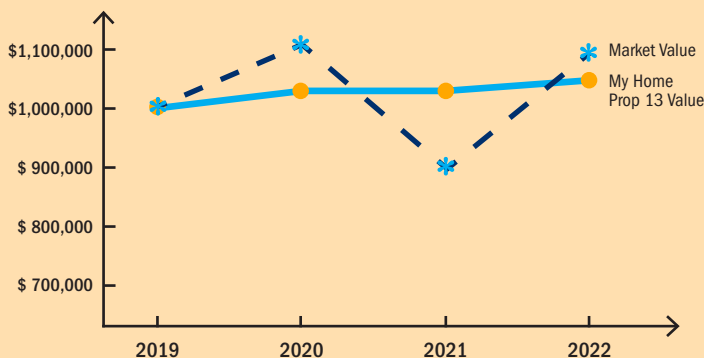
With the local declared emergency and shelter-in-place public health order happening after the lien date, we do not see an impact on property market values on January 1, 2020. However, if the economic recovery is slow and a downturn is extended through the next year we may see impact to market values for January 1, 2021.



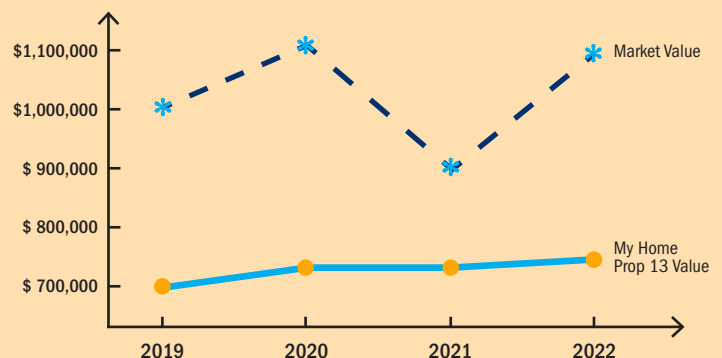
In addition, whether a reduction is granted depends on each property's individual Prop 13 value because a temporary reduction would be granted only if the market value is lower than the Prop 13 value.

Please see the examples below for further explanation.

### Reduction Granted Only in 2021



### No Reduction Granted in Any of These Years



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