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### Oakland County Treasurer's Office Foreclosure Prevention

The Oakland County Treasurer's Office is in the final stretch of our Foreclosure Prevention efforts. The tax foreclosure deadline for the 2020 or prior year taxes is on March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023. That means if these taxes aren't paid off by March 31<sup>st</sup> or any interested party hasn't entered into a repayment schedule with the Treasurer's office by then, the property will be foreclosed.

Since December of 2022, the Treasurer's office has conducted over a thousand Taxpayer Assistance Meetings to assist taxpayers with keeping their properties by working with them to get on a repayment schedule and/or by identifying resources that may be beneficial to them and their situation. We are here to help and strongly encourage taxpayers to contact us before the tax foreclosure deadline if they have delinquent taxes for 2020 or prior tax years. Taxpayers interested in scheduling a Taxpayer Assistance Meeting may call us at 248-858-0611 or they may visit [www.oakgov.com/treasurer](http://www.oakgov.com/treasurer)

Some of the resources available to assist taxpayers include:

- **Michigan Homeowners Assistance Fund (MIHAF)** which is a state grant that will cover up to \$25K for delinquent taxes (2019 and forward), mortgage payments, and utility bills. Must be a primary residence, make <150% AMI, and prove covid hardship in order to qualify. Apply at [mihaf.michigan.gov](http://mihaf.michigan.gov).
- **Financial Empowerment Center** in the Treasurer's Office which provides one-on-one financial coaching and services to help taxpayers achieve their financial goals. Contact Reda at [nafsor@oakgov.com](mailto:nafsor@oakgov.com) or 248-807-5287.
- **Lakeshore Legal Aid** provides free legal services to people who are low income and seniors. 1-888-783-8190 is the number for new clients.

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Thank you!

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Oakland County Treasurer