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PRESS RELEASE

OKALOOSA COUNTY PROPERTY OWNERS SAVE MILLIONS

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Shalimar, FL – Over **\$9.1 million** was saved by Okaloosa County Property owners who took advantage of the 4% early payment discount last month. "Our office collected \$228.5 million during November, with over 66% of that total collected using our convenient and secure online services," shared Tax Collector Ben Anderson. "The best part is that the millions of dollars saved by property owners stayed in the hands of citizens, rather than in the hands of government!" added Anderson.

The Tax Collector reported an all-time high for property taxes collected in November, reaching 83.5% of the 2021 tax roll, beating out last year's record of 82%. "We are extremely pleased by the record collection numbers accomplished in only 24 working days from the opening of the tax roll," states Justin Gordon, Director of Tax Services. "We owe this success to both our team and to the over 12,000 property owners who took advantage of our secure online payment option." Gordon adds, "We recorded a 27% increase in property taxes paid online this year versus last year, a huge success!"

Several payment options are available to property owners needing to pay property taxes. The most convenient is by using your Bank Account (*E-check*) at OkaloosaTax.com. Chief of Financial Operations, Keri Holguin explains, "Paying online with your Bank Account (*E-check*) is a smart and easy way to make your payment. It's as if you were writing us a check, but only electronically using your routing and account number. **It's convenient, secure, and FREE!**" Those who paid online with E-Check saved precious time and over \$1.1 Million in convenience fees this November.

All Tax Collector Offices will be **CLOSED** on **December 23rd and 24th** in observance of Christmas. Offices will again be **CLOSED** on **December 31st** for the New Year's.

Citizens with questions concerning Tax Collector Services should visit OkaloosaTax.com or call from their mobile device by dialing #TAX (#829).

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