

## \*\*\*Press Release\*\*\*

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## **Property Tax Disaster Payment Plans Available**

The Dallas County Tax Office is working with homeowners affected by the recent tornadoes. Disaster Installment Payment Plans are available to property owners that meet all requirements of Texas Property Tax Code, Section 31.032. Among these requirements are these:

- 1. The property must be a residential homestead or used for residential purposes and have less than five living units,
- 2. The property must lie within the area declared a disaster area,
- 3. The property must have been damaged as s direct result of the disaster, and
- 4. The taxes for which the property owner seeks an installment agreement must not be delinquent.
- 5. The first payment must be made by the delinquency date, which is January 31, 2016, extended to February 1, 2016 this year.

Tax Assessor/Collector John R. Ames wants residents to know "Please contact our office if you believe you qualify for a 'Disaster Installment Payment Plan', and need additional time to pay your 2015 property taxes."

The Dallas Central Appraisal District is working diligently to identify all properties affected by the recent tornados. If your property is on the list of properties affected, and it meets all other criteria, the Tax Office will honor a request for a Disaster Installment Plan for Tax Year 2015. Please contact Dallas County Tax Office Customer Care Center at 214.653,7811.

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