ERIE COUNTY TAX LIEN FORECLOSURE HAS BEEN COMMENCED

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING NOTICE CAREFULLY

As of May 7, 2024, there are unpaid Erie County property taxes due in connection to property identified on the List of Delinquent Taxes which was filed in the Erie County Clerk's Office on the 7th day of May, 2024.

The unpaid 2021 and prior (if applicable) Erie County taxes are being foreclosed.

To obtain the total amount due in unpaid Erie County taxes and the total needed to pay off the taxes subject to foreclosure, please contact the Erie County's Office of Real Property Tax Services directly at 716-858-8333 or by emailing Sara.Hart@erie.gov or ec-rpts@erie.gov.

Under New York State law, we are required to send this notice to inform you that you are at risk of losing your home.

Attached to this notice is a list of government approved housing counseling agencies which provide free counseling. You can also call the New York State Office of the Attorney General's Homeowner Protection Program (HOPP) toll-free consumer hotline to be connected to free housing counseling or legal services at 1-855-HOME-456 (1-855-466-3456), or visit their website at https://homeownerhelpny.org/. A statewide listing by county is also available at the website of the New York State Department of Financial Services:

https://www.dfs.ny.gov/consumers/help for homeowners/new york state non-profit housing counseling agencies.

Qualified free help is available; watch out for companies or people who charge a fee for these services.

Housing counselors from New York-based agencies listed on the website above are trained to help homeowners who are having problems making their tax payments and can help you find the best option for your situation.

If you wish, you may also contact Erie County's Office of Real Property Tax Services directly to discuss possible payment plans and other options: 716-858-8333 or Sara.Hart@erie.gov or ecrpts@erie.gov.

While we cannot assure that a mutually agreeable resolution is possible, we encourage you to take immediate steps to try to achieve a resolution.

The longer you wait, the fewer options you may have.

Under the Erie County Tax Act, you may be barred from entering into a payment plan or from being permitted to make any payment to save your home after the "Redemption Date". <u>In your case</u>, the "Redemption Date" is July 8, 2024.

<u>IMPORTANT</u>: You have the right to remain in your home until you receive a court order telling you to leave the property; however, you may lose the right to continue ownership of your home after the Redemption Date. Although a foreclosure has been commenced, you still have the right to remain in the home until a court orders you to leave.

This notice is not an eviction notice.

You should also be aware that if you are a senior citizen, a person with a physical disability and/or a veteran, you may be entitled to a partial exemption from property taxes. If you are not already receiving one or more of these exemptions and would like information about the eligibility and application requirements, please contact your local assessor's office.

If you need free interpretation services in your language, call 518-453-8137 or visit https://www.tax.ny.gov/language/#interpretation.

Llámenos al <u>518-453-8137</u> si necesita ayuda gratis en su idioma.

請給我們打電話號碼:518-453-8137,要求免費的語言協助服務。

Чтобы получить бесплатные переводческие услуги, позвоните, пожалуйста, по следующему номеру: <u>518-453-8137</u>.

বিনামূল্যে ভাষা সেবায় সহায়তা পেতে অনুগ্রহ করে আমাদেরকে <u>518-453-8137</u> নম্বরে কল করুন।

ביטע אָנקלינגט אוּנדז אין <u>518-453-8137</u> כּדי צוּ באַקוּמען פֿרײַ שפּראַך באַדינען.

Tanpri rele nou nao 518-453-8137 pou jwenn sèvis èd gratis nan lang.

전화 518-453-8137 로 무료 언어 지원 서비스를 요청하십시오.

Chiamare il <u>518-453-8137</u> per assistenza linguistica gratuita.

المحصول على مساعدة فيما يتعلق بالخدمات اللغوية المجانية 453-8137 على مساعدة فيما يتعلق بالخدمات اللغوية المجانية

Aby uzyskać pomoc w zakresie bezpłatnej obsługi językowej, prosimy o kontakt z nami dzwoniąc pod numer <u>518-453-8137</u>.

Si vous avez besoin d'un service d'interprétation gratuit dans votre langue, appeleznous au <u>518-453-8137</u>.

زبان سے متعلق معاونت کی مفت خدمات کے لیے براہ مہربانی ہمیں 8137-453-518 پر کال کریں

Housing Counseling Agencies Serving Erie County

Consumer Credit Counseling Services of Buffalo, Inc. 40 Gardenville Parkway, Suite 300, West Seneca, NY 14224 1-800-926-9685 OR 716-712-2060

Buffalo Urban League 15 Genesee Street, Buffalo, NY 14203 716-250-2400

Belmont Housing Resources 2393 Main Street Buffalo NY 14214 716-884-7791 ext. 330

Center for Elder Law & Justice 438 Main Street, Suite 1200, Buffalo, NY 14202 716-853-3087

The Legal Aid Bureau of Buffalo, Inc. 290 Main Street, Suite 400, Buffalo, NY 14202 716-853-9555

Western New York Law Center, Inc. 37 Franklin Street, Suite 210, Buffalo, NY 14202 716-855-0203 x124

Additional resources may be found by visiting the New York State Department of Financial Services Website:

https://www.dfs.ny.gov/consumers/help_for_homeowners/new_york_state_non-profit_housing_counseling_agencies