# PROPERTY TAX 101

WHO DOES WHAT, AND HOW WE CAN HELP YOU

HORRY COUNTY, SC

# WHAT PROPERTY TAXIOI IS

- Who does what
- How we do what we do
  - Critical deadlines
- Taxpayer responsibilities
  - Cause and Effect

#### WHAT PROPERTY TAXIOI IS (CONT.)

- Typical Mailings
  - Typical Dates
- Our responsibility to you
  - What we do with data
    - GENERAL

#### WHAT PROPERTY TAX 101 IS **NOT**:

# Tax Advice

Able to describe every situation

Specific to any one individual case

• A place to air grievances

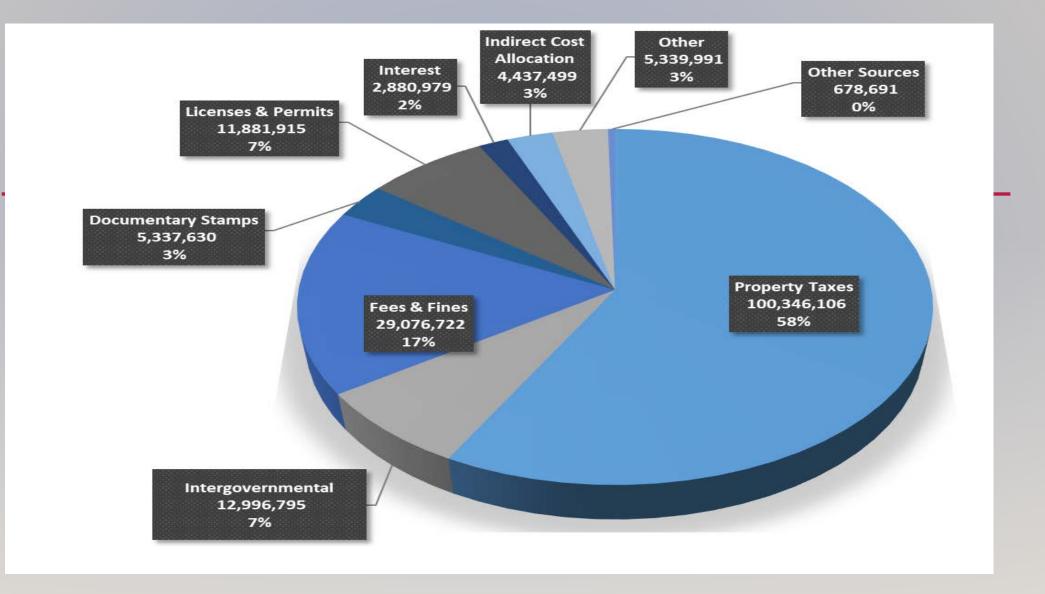
• All of those issues can be handled on a one on one basis in our Conway office

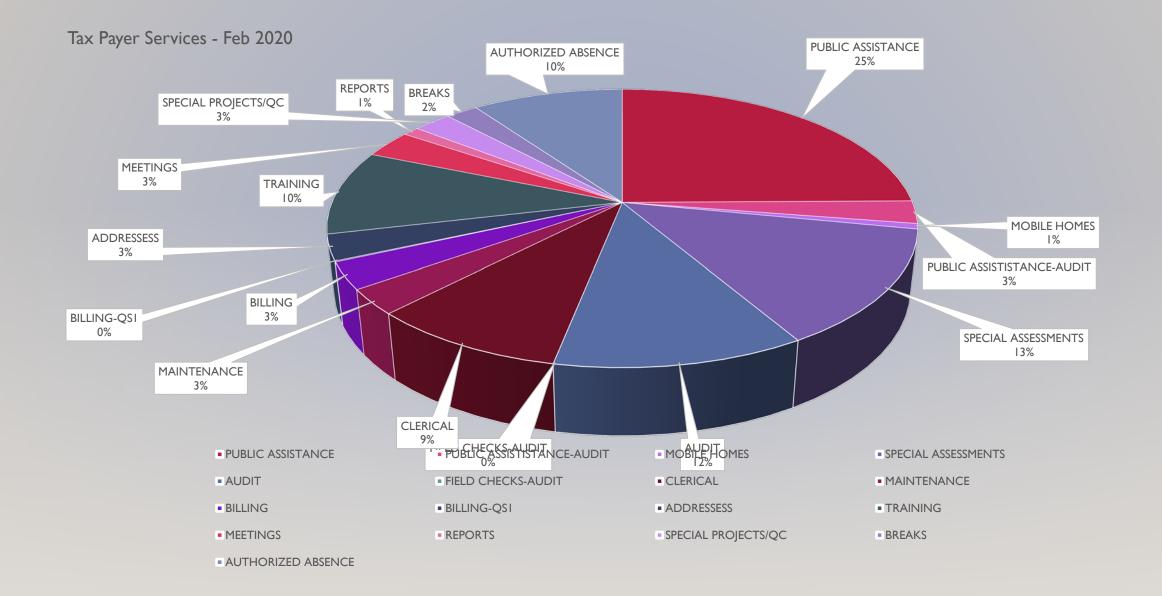
#### WHO DOES WHAT?

• What is the "Tax office"? Does it really even exist?

• What are the duties of the Auditor, Treasurer and Assessor?

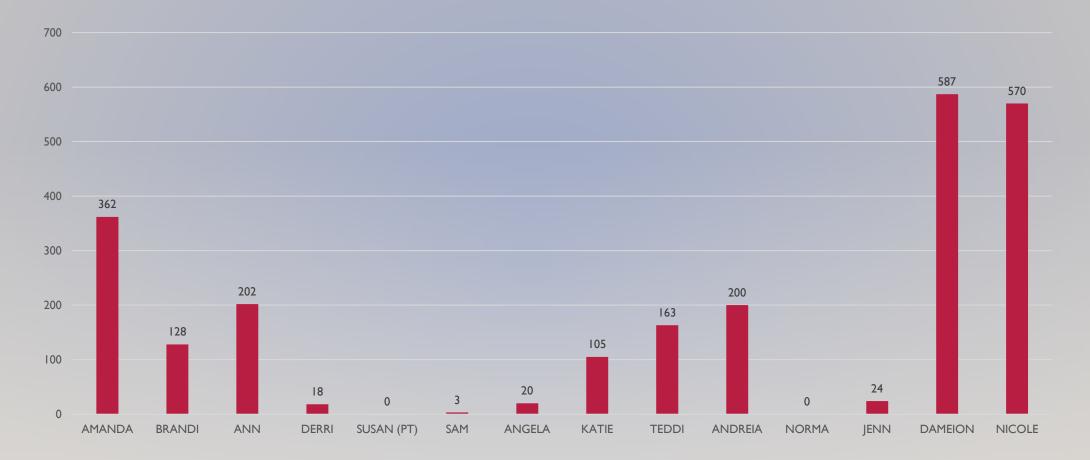
• Who do I call for what?



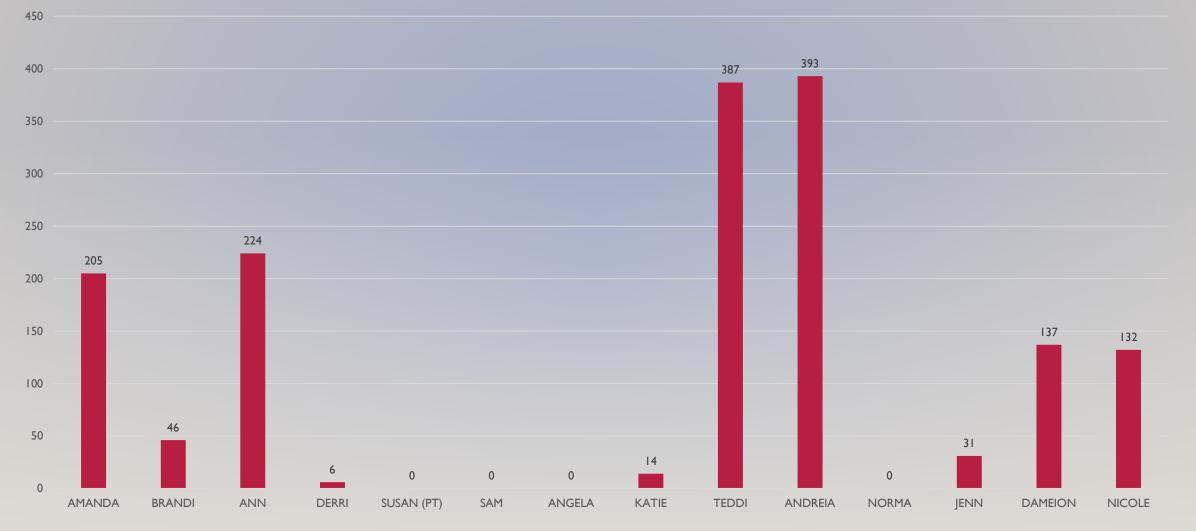


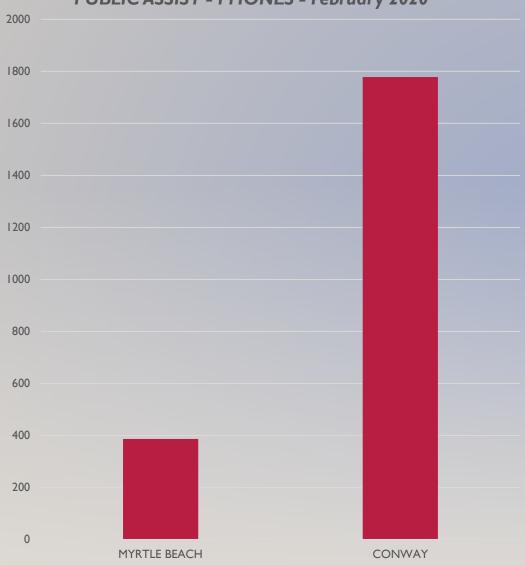
GENERAL FUND:	
	FY 2019
DESCRIPTION	ACTUAL
Property Taxes	\$ 100,346,106
Intergovernmental	12,996,795
Fees & Fines	29,076,722
Documentary Stamps	5,337,630
Licenses & Permits	11,881,915
Interest	2,880,979
Indirect Cost Allocation	4,437,499
Other	5,339,991
TOTAL REVENUES	172,297,637
Sale of Assets	87,902
Transfer In	678,691
Other Sources	766,593
TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES	\$ 173,064,230

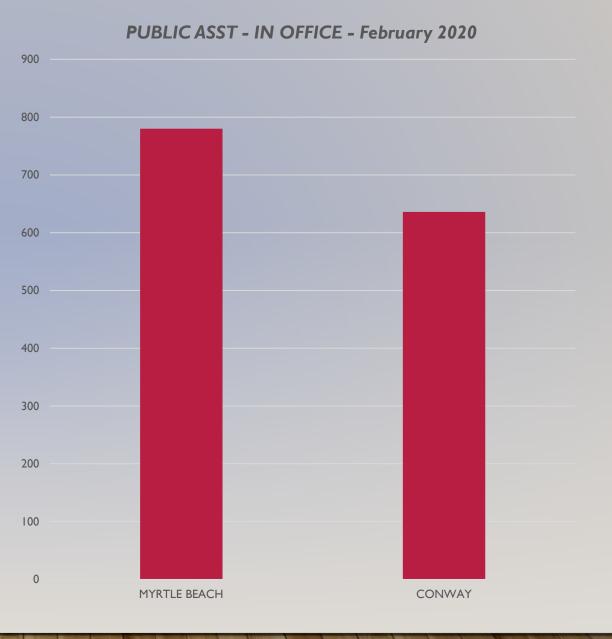
#### Phone Calls Reported by Employee February 2020



#### Customer Assistance Reported by Employee February 2020







#### PUBLIC ASSIST - PHONES - February 2020

#### **3 MAIN OFFICES**

• Treasurer 843-915-5470

Dr. Angie Jones (Elected)

• Auditor 843-915-5050 Lois Eargle (Elected)

• Assessor 843-915-5040

Larry Roscoe (Not Elected)

#### YOUR BIGGEST INVESTMENT

• How it is valued?

• Why it is valued?

• When it is valued?

• Who values it?

#### THINGS THAT HELP TAXES STAY LOWER

- Primary Legal Residence
  - Special Use Valuations
    - Valuation Caps
- Reassessment...wait, REASSESSMENT?

## **EXEMPTIONS ARE UP TO YOU**

- Applications
  - Deadlines
- Refund Provisions
  - SC state Law

#### THINGS THAT MAY CHANGE YOUR TAX PICTURE

- Sales
- Transfers
- Name Changes
- Corporate Restructuring

# TRANSFERS, TRUSTS, AND ATI'S

• There are some transfers of interest that will expose you to a reassessment outside of the reassessment year:

Sales

- Inheritance (Wills, Deeds of Distribution)
- Transfers to Children, Trusts, LLC's and LLP's
- Some exemptions apply to this rule, such as:
  - Spouse to Spouse
  - True Grantor Trusts
  - Single owner to single member LLC with same owner

#### THINGS THAT HAVE TAX IMPLICATIONS, CONT.

Deaths, Wills, Inheritance

- Zoning Changes
  - Use Changes
- Additions, Renovations, Remodeling

## **HOW THINGS CHANGE**

"Standard" or "default" ratio

- Loss of exemptions
  - Rollback Taxes

#### SO, YOU GOT AN ASSESSMENT NOTICE...

- What this says
- What it means
- What it means for YOU

#### **KEY TERMS**

## Assessment

## Ratio

- Fair Market Value
  - Taxable Value
- Millage: What's a "mil"?

## NOW THE BILL IS HERE

- What it says
- What it means
- What it means for YOU

#### YOU GUYS ARE CRAZY!

(ALSO ACCEPTABLE,:Y'ALL AND YOUS GUYS)

• Appeals, objections, etc.

# • Deadlines...I mean it...REAL deadlines

• The post office, legal requirements etc.