

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.088800 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of Galveston County Emergency Services District No 1.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.088800 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.082223 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.086098 per \$100
DE MINIMIS RATE	\$0.098582 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2026 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Galveston County Emergency Services District No 1 from the same properties in both the 2025 tax year and the 2026 tax year. The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that Galveston County Emergency Services District No 1 may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate, unless the de minimis rate for Galveston County Emergency Services District No 1 exceeds the voter-approval rate for Galveston County Emergency Services District No 1. The de minimis rate is the rate equal to the sum of the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate for Galveston County Emergency Services District No 1, the rate that will raise \$500,000, and the current debt rate for Galveston County Emergency Services District No 1. The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that Galveston County Emergency Services District No 1 is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2026 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON August 24, 2026 AT 6:00 PM AT 13112 Highway 6, Santa Fe, TX 77510.

The proposed tax rate is greater than the voter-approval tax rate but not greater than the de minimis rate and does not exceed the rate that allows voters to petition for an election under Section 26.075, Tax Code. If Galveston County Emergency Services District No 1 adopts the proposed tax rate, the Galveston County Emergency Services District No 1 is not required to hold an election so that voters may accept or reject the proposed tax rate and the qualified voters of the Galveston County Emergency Services District No 1 may not petition the Galveston County Emergency Services District No 1 to require an election to be held to determine whether to reduce the proposed tax rate.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE RATES MENTIONED ABOVE CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

Property tax amount= (tax rate) x (taxable value of your property)/100

FOR the proposal:	Greg Gardner, President	Tommy Gass, Vice President
	Kevin O'Brien, Secretary	Sharon Free, Treasurer
	Jack Helton, Asst. Treasurer/Secretary	

Visit [Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes](https://www.texas.gov/PropertyTaxes) to find a link to your local property tax database on which you can easily access information regarding your property taxes, including information about proposed tax rates and scheduled public hearings of each entity that taxes your property. The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

The following table compares the taxes imposed on the average residence homestead by Galveston County Emergency Services District No 1 last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by Galveston County Emergency Services District No 1 this year.

	2025	2026	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.085476	\$0.088800	increase of 0.003324 per \$100, or 3.89%
Average homestead taxable value	\$329,085	\$340,727	increase of 3.54%
Tax on average homestead	\$281.29	\$302.57	increase of \$21.28, or 7.57%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$2,655,712	\$2,883,869	increase of \$228,157, or 8.59%

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for Galveston County Emergency Services District No 1 at 409-766-2260 or galcotax@galvestoncountytexas.gov, or visit www.galcotax.com for more information.