

## **IMPORTANT NOTICE: As of Tuesday, March 17, 2020 the Assessor's Office is CLOSED to in-person services.**

In an abundance of caution regarding the COVID-19 virus, the Assessor's Office has moved to a virtual format, along with the Auditor's and Treasurer's Offices, effective Tuesday, 3/17/2020. This decision was made in consideration of the health of our customers, our employees, and our community. This closure will be re-evaluated weekly in conjunction with current CDC recommendations to determine when in-person services will resume.

For information or assistance, please contact us at:

Phone: (360) 577-3010

Email: [assessor@co.cowlitz.wa.us](mailto:assessor@co.cowlitz.wa.us)

Our appraisers will continue to work throughout the county, but they will be appraising from their vehicle or from the sidewalk. They have been instructed to stop knocking on doors and/or approaching property owners. They can be readily identified by their use of an official County vehicle, the County logo on their clothing, and their County photo ID.

### **SPECIAL NOTICE for SENIOR/DISABLED EXEMPTION HOLDERS:**

*If you received a renewal letter instructing you to update your exemption information by April 30th, please note: **THE DEADLINE HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO JUNE 30th. SEPTEMBER 30th.*** While it is important that we see updated information eventually, it is not critical at this time. **We will not be removing exemptions for failure to renew while the office remains closed.**

For property owners who would like to apply for the senior/disabled exemption program, we will attempt to work with you to accomplish this; please call the office for further instructions. The safety of our senior population and at-risk individuals is our top priority, and we will make every reasonable effort to work with you. It is important that we are able to continue to serve our taxpayers without unnecessary exposure.