



# CITY OF PITTSBURGH

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*Office of Mayor Luke Ravenstahl*

Dear Friends,

As we begin the New Year, I will focus on making sure that our seniors and families are not taxed out of their homes. Allegheny County's property reassessment is not something that I agree with, but we have no say in the matter. I will continue to work hard to educate residents on the appeal process available to everyone to ensure that you understand how to appeal an unfair or inaccurate assessment. In addition, I will work to limit the impact of the reassessment by cutting the tax millage rate and increasing the Homestead Tax Exemption.

At this point, all residents that own a home in the City of Pittsburgh should have received their 2012 assessed property value from Allegheny County's Office of Property Assessment. Allegheny County is the governing body responsible for determining the values of every property and structure located within the City.

If you believe that your new assessment is inaccurate, there will be a limited window of time for you to file an appeal with Allegheny County. It is my goal to make the County's appeal process as easy as possible for you. If you have any questions, call 311 (or 412-255-2621), or visit [AppealAssist.PittsburghPA.gov](http://AppealAssist.PittsburghPA.gov) to download a user-friendly appeal process brochure. Brochures are also available at our City's senior centers where residents can speak with staff members who are knowledgeable on the appeal process.

Once again, it is my hope that all residents receive a fair and accurate 2012 reassessment and I remain committed to educating and assisting Pittsburgh's residents through the appeal process.

Sincerely,

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Mayor, City of Pittsburgh

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