

Treasurer

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

Q: Why did the Treasurer raise my taxes?

A: The Treasurer does not determine property tax amounts. The amount of tax money needed is decided by each of the area's taxing authorities. The Assessor's Office determines appraisal values for real property while the Auditor calculates the tax.

Q: Why did the Treasurer send my bill to the wrong address?

A: The Treasurer does not maintain property or owner records. The Assessor and Auditor maintain these records and are dependent on taxpayers to notify their offices of changes in address.

Q: Where does the Treasurer invest funds, and what are the constraints on investment of County monies?

A: Sections 12-45-220 and 6-5-10 of the SC Code of Laws limit the Treasurer as to where public funds may be invested. These code sections allow investment: a) in obligations of the United States and its agencies within the United States that are fully guaranteed by the federal government; b) in bonds or certificates of indebtedness of the State of South Carolina and its agencies; c) in shares of any building and loan association insured by an agency of the United States; and do with banking institutions of South Carolina.