



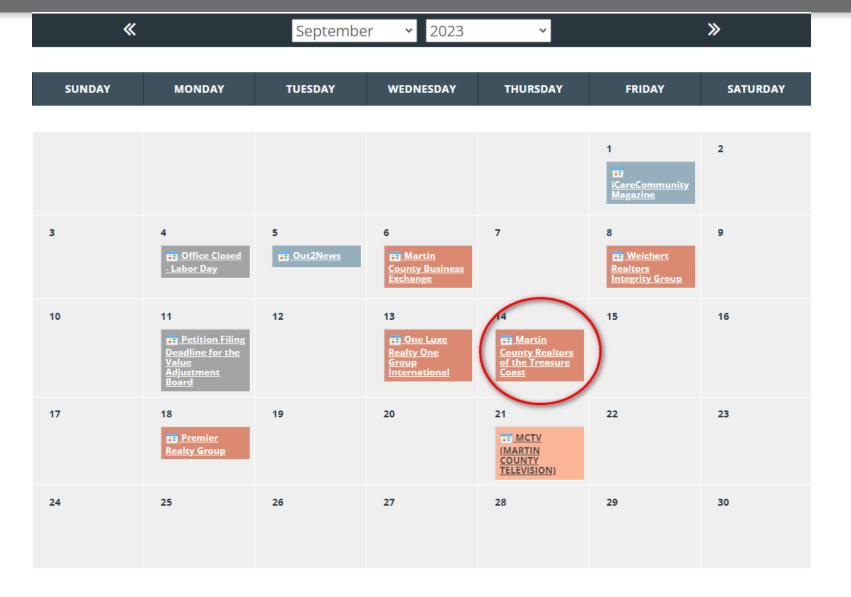
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INTERACTIVE CALENDAR

Martin County Realtors of the Treasure Coast



Property Appraiser Jenny Fields will be presenting to the members of the Martin County Realtors of the Treasure Coast on September 14th at 12pm.

Event Information

Event Date	September 14, 2023
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New Homebuyer

Post It Notes



MARTIN COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER Jenny Fields, CFA

CONGRATULATIONS!



✓ YOUR NEXT STEPS

Scan the QR Codes with your mobile device for quick access.



File for Homestead **Exemption & Portability**





Review New Homebuyer Timeline Handout





Estimate Your Property Taxes





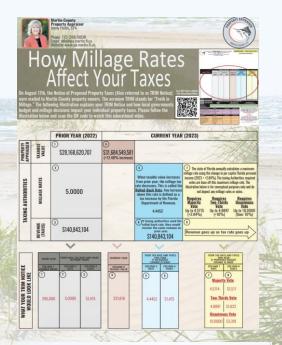
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BILL OF RIGHTS

the Florida Legislature in the year 2000 to guarantee rights to taxpayers with regard to property taxes and assessments.



in 2013 to identify certain existing rights afforded to the owners of real property in the State of Florida.

Bill of

The Taxpoyer's Bill of Rights for property owners safeguards your rights, privacy, and property during the assessment, ley, collection, and enforcement of property axes. Some of the most common rights are explained in this handout and include property tax rights and the obligations of property appraisers, tax collectors, local governing boards, and the Florids Department of Revenue (EODR in property tax matters. The FDOR is responsible for general supervision of property tax laws and reviewing the tax rolls the property appraiser submits. FDOR works with property appraisers, tax collectors, and other local officials to assure fair assessment and collection of property taxes. For a complete list of all the rights in the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights, see section 192.0105, Florida Statutes.

Ad Valorem Property Tax

Taxes based on value are called "ad valorem" taxes. Most city and county property taxes fall into this category. Your ad valorem, or property, tax bill is the result of the coordinated efforts of your elected county officials and Taxing Authorities.





GR Code and visit us on:

PROPERTY DAMAGE INFORMATION

How Does a Calamity Affect My Property Value?

When a calamity occurs, is the responsibility of the property owner to notify the Office of the Property Appraiser as soon as possible. Any change in value as a result of the calamity will be reflected in the following tax roll year.

The Property Appraiser will consider the condition of the property as of January 1 after the event and any remaining damage will be taken into account for the next years value.

Any changes, additions or improvements, commenced within 3 years that replace all or a portion of the property, that was damaged or destroye

How Does a Calamity Affect My Property Taxes?

improvements that are rendered uninhabitable or at least 30 days, the property owner may request a refund of taxes for the portion of the year in which the home was deemed uninhabitable. This does not include structures

> of the residential dwelling, such as detached An application needs to be filed with the Property Appraiser by March 1 of the year









MARRIED? DIVORCED? WIDOWED?

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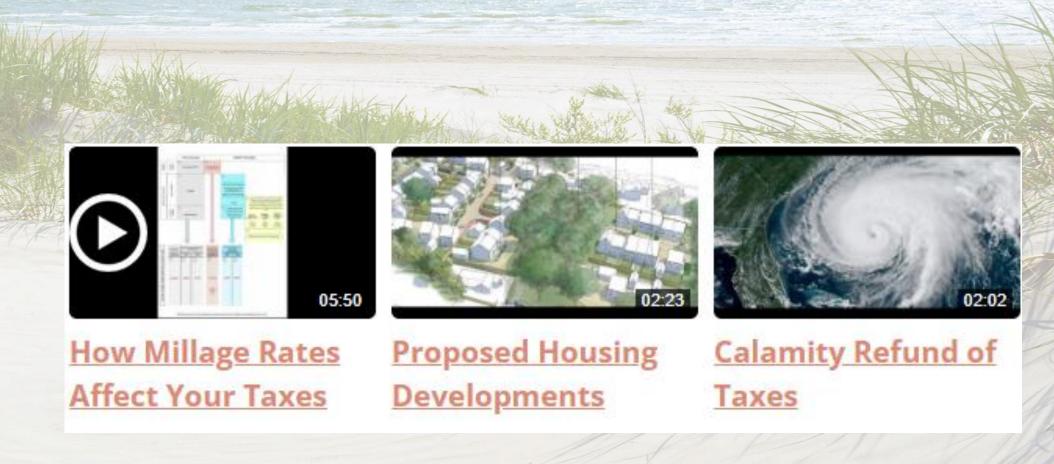
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- widowed, you may qualify for an additional \$5,000 exemption off your property's assessed value. This equates to approximately \$100 in annual tax
- . To apply for this exemption, please visit our Stuart or Hobe Sound office and provide your Florida driver's license, social security number, and a copy of the death certificate.
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New Educational Videos





Homestead Exemption & Benefits

HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION

How to Qualify

Own & reside in the home on or before January 1st

Claim the home as your primary residence

There is NO maximum required days to live in your home – It could be one day

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

All Owners Who Reside in the Home:

Florida Driver's License

Florida Vehicle Registration

Florida Voter's Card

Social Security
Number

HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION

Benefits

Saves hundreds of tax dollars\$\$

SAVE ANNUAL TAX DOLLARS

EXAMPLE: REDUCTION ON YOUR ANNUAL PROPERTY TAXES

Property Taxes	WITH Homestead Exemption	WITHOUT Homestead Exemption	
Assessed Value	\$400,000	\$400,000	
Less Homestead Exemption	- \$50,000	- \$0	
Taxable Value	\$350,000	\$400,000	
Millage Rate	x 17% (.017)	x 17% (.017)	
Taxes Due	\$5,950	\$6,800	
T EXAMPLE: \$850 SAVINGS			

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Eligible for other Exemptions

OTHER COMMON EXEMPTIONS

ELIGIBILITY FOR OTHER PROPERTY EXEMPTIONS

INDIVIDUAL AND FAMILY EXEMPTIONS

- Limited Income Senior Exemption for Persons 65 and Older
- Widow / Widower
- Disability

VETERAN AND ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY EXEMPTIONS

- Combat or Service-related Disability
- Deployed Military
- Surviving Spouse

PLUS 30+ OTHER EXEMPTIONS



Scan QR code for information about Other Property Exemptions

HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION

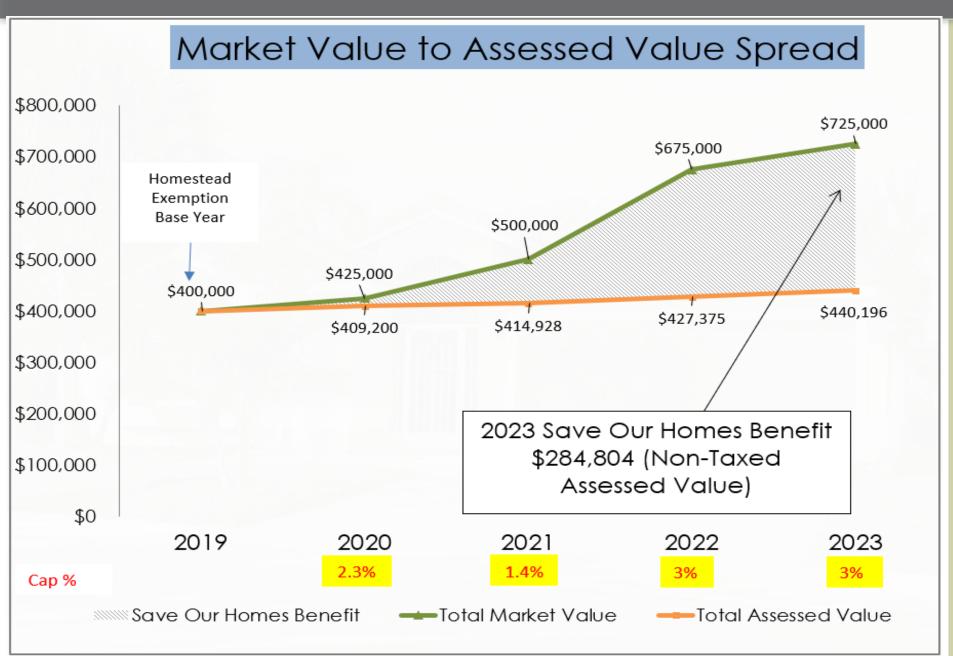
Benefits

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Save our Homes

Eligible for other Exemptions

SAVE OUR HOMES BENEFIT



- The Save Our Homes
 Benefit limits annual
 increases in assessed value
 of property with
 Homestead Exemption to
 three percent (3%) or the
 change in the Consumer
 Price Index (CPI),
 whichever is lower.
- This limitation applies only to property value, not property taxes.
- Does not include new construction such as a new swimming pool

SAVE OUR HOMES BENEFIT

Why are my taxes higher than my neighbors when we have the exact same house?

My Home



Market Value: Same Value

Year Built: Same Year Built

Purchased: Last Year

Taxes: \$3,910

My Neighbor's Home



Market Value: Same Value

Year Built: Same Year Built

Purchased: 10 Years Ago

Taxes: \$2,940

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Save our Homes

Portability

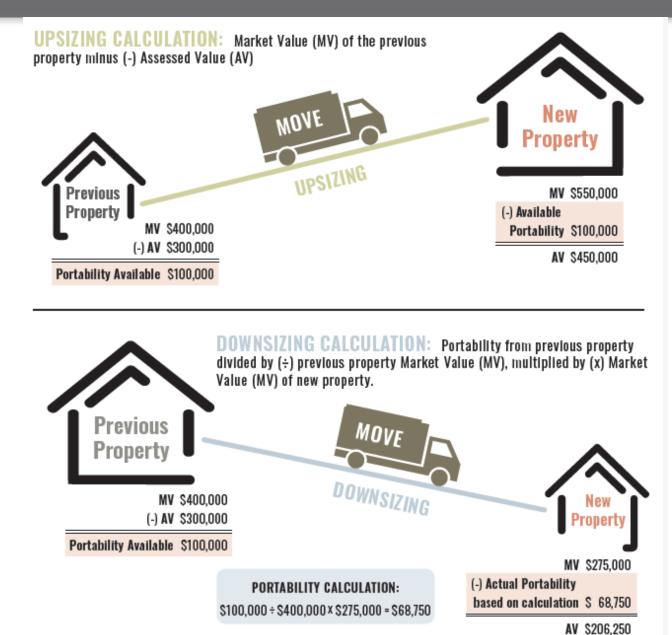
PORTABILITY OF SAVE OUR HOMES

- exemption is not transferable, you can "move" the accumulated SOH benefit from one homestead to another homestead, anywhere in Florida.
- You have from January 1st of the year you move, until January 1st three years later, to re-apply for homestead and retain the SOH benefit.



UPSIZE VS DOWNSIZE

- Compare Value to Value NOT Sale Price
- Use the
 Property Tax
 Estimator tool
 available on
 our website.



This form must be submitted to the **Property Appraiser** before you apply for homestead on a new property



DESIGNATION OF OWNERSHIP SHARES OF ABANDONED HOMESTEAD

DR-501TS R. 12/20 Rule 12D-16.002, F.A.C. Fff 12/20

Section 193.155(8), Florida Statutes

File this form if you and your spouse (or former spouse) are current or former joint owners of qualifying property and want to designate shares of the homestead assessment difference. The designated shares can transfer to each of your new homesteads when you each apply for the homestead exemption on your properties.

Before either of you submits a Form DR-501T, Transfer of Homestead Assessment Difference, for a new homestead, submit this form to the property appraiser in the county where the abandoned homestead is located. If you apply for a new homestead exemption and want to transfer your designated share of the homestead assessment difference, attach a copy of this statement to your completed Form DR-501T in the county where the new homestead is located. Percentages must total 100 percent.

Abandoned Homestead					
County	Select County		Address		
Parcel ID					
Date abandoned					
	pouse 1 ears on the joint title	Designated % ownership	name as i	Spouse 2 it appears on the joint title	Designated % ownership
		0%			0%

At the time the homestead was abandoned, we were married and jointly owned this property.

We designate the percentages above to each owner for transferring the homestead assessment difference when that owner establishes a new homestead.

We understand that when we file this designation with the property appraiser, it is irrevocable.

	Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have read the foregoing Designation and that the facts stated in it are true.
Spouse 1 signature	Spouse 2 signature

New Homebuyer Timeline

NEW HOMEBUYER TIMELINE - PLAN AHEAD!!

When buying a home, you should not assume that the property taxes will remain the same. Whenever there is a change in ownership, the assessed value of the property may reset to full market value, which may result in higher property taxes. This flowchart illustrates the purchase cycle in relation to when a new buyer may first see a glimpse of their proposed taxes-- they are MONTHS apart! Please PLAN AHEAD for the financial impact.

FEBRUARY

2023



SALE OF PROPERTY

Current owner sells their home to a new buyer and pays prorated 2023 taxes at closing.

AUGUST



The Notice of Proposed Property Taxes is mailed to the **new** buyer, but displays the former owner's exemptions, value limitations and market values derived from 2022 home sale prices.

New buyer starts making mortgage payments based on the prior year (2022) tax bill which reflected the former owner's exemptions and value

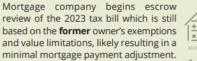


NOVEMBER



The 2023 tax bill is mailed to the new buyer. The taxes are based on the **former** owner's exemptions and value limitations. New buyer is responsible for 2023 taxes.

DECEMBER



MARCH



The Notice of Proposed Property Taxes is mailed to the new buyer. This is the FIRST glimpse of what the new buyer's estimate of taxes will be. This is based on their new exemptions, portability (if any) and new market value derived from 2023 home sale prices.

March 1, 2024: Deadline for new buyer to file for their own homestead exemption.

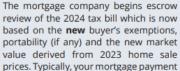
2024

NOVEMBER



The 2024 tax bill is mailed to the new buyer and mortgage company. The taxes are now based on **new** buyer's exemptions, portability (if any) and new market value derived from 2023 home sale prices.

DECEMBER



will increase due to:

pay the 2024 bill, and



1. having insufficient funds for the elapsed time since the sale that they were not collecting enough in escrow to

2. planning ahead for the next year's monthly payments to ensure they have sufficient funds collected to pay the 2025 bill.

HELPFUL TOOL!



Why wait until August in the year following your sale to see your estimated property taxes. Plan ahead and be prepared by using our Property Tax Estimator tool found on our website.

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Treasure Coast Real Estate Date (2023 Certified Tax Rolls)



MARTIN

INDIAN RIVER

ST. LUCIE

162,006

Total Population

543.7

Sq. Miles

167,352

Total Population

502.8

Sq. Miles

358,704

Total Population

571.7

Sq. Miles

96,454

Real Property Parcels

11,111

Personal Property Records 93,799

Real Property Parcels

10,329

Personal Property
Records

183,465

Real Property Parcels

14,408

Personal Property Records

SOURCES: https://floridarevenue.com/property/pages/dataportal.aspx



Parcel Counts	MARTIN	INDIAN RIVER	ST. LUCIE
Total Real Property	96,454	93,799	183,465
Total Residential	74,641	85,335	165,391
Single Family	50,490	58,042	118,740
Condominiums	15,007	15,037	14,619
Mhome/Coop/Misc	4,763	2,661	7,317
Vacant	4,381	9,595	24,715
Multi Family	1,138	790	1,587
Commercial/Industrial	3,494	3,354	5,667
Agricultural	2,043	1,903	2,499
Inst./Gov't/Misc.	8,708	2,282	7,179
Vacant Acreage	6,416	139	1,124

SOURCES: HTTPS://DATA.CENSUS.GOV/ & HTTPS://FLORIDAREVENUE.COM/PROPERTY/PAGES/DATAPORTAL.ASPX



MARTIN

INDIAN RIVER

ST. LUCIE

53.4B

Total Market Value

19.35%

22-23 Percent Increase

31.6B

Total Taxable Value

12.48%

22-23 Percent Increase

45.7B

Total Market Value

21.84%

22-23 Percent Increase

26.5B

Total Taxable Value

13.51%

22-23 Percent Increase

66.2B

Total Market Value

18.58%

22-23 Percent Increase

35.4B

Total Taxable Value

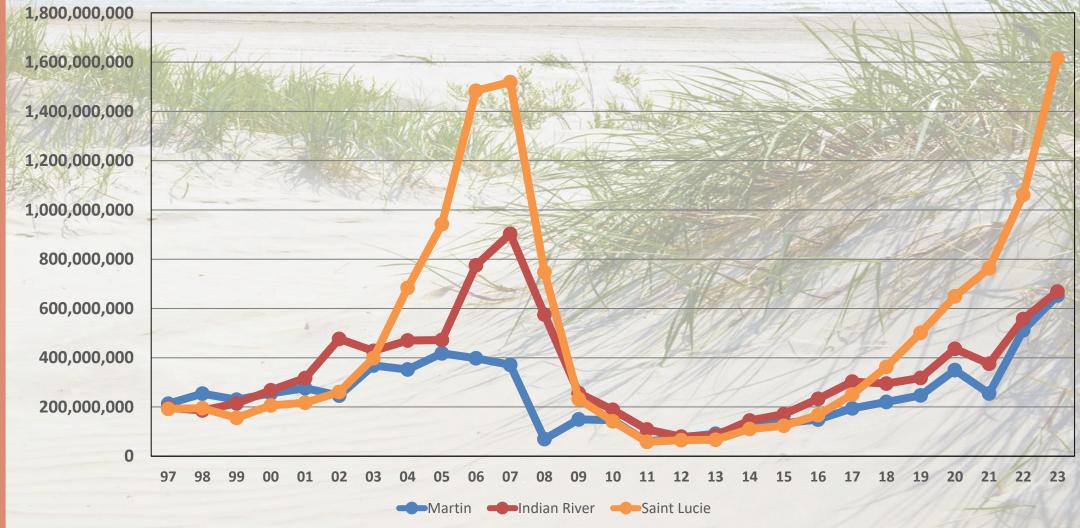
17.67%

22-23 Percent Increase

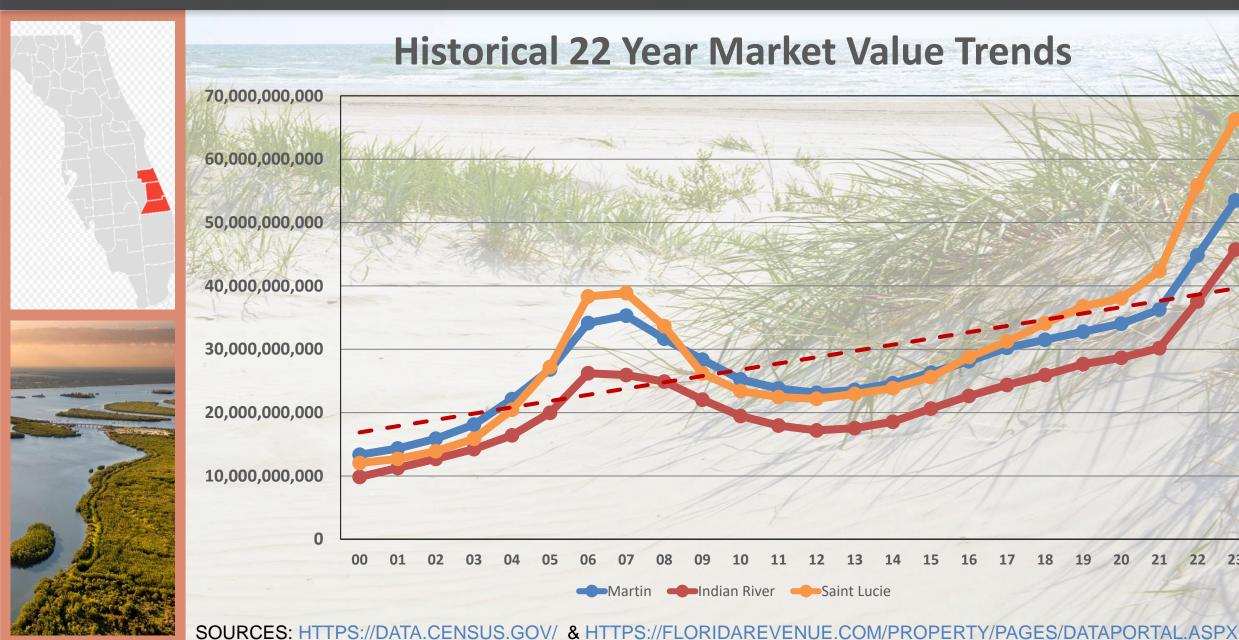
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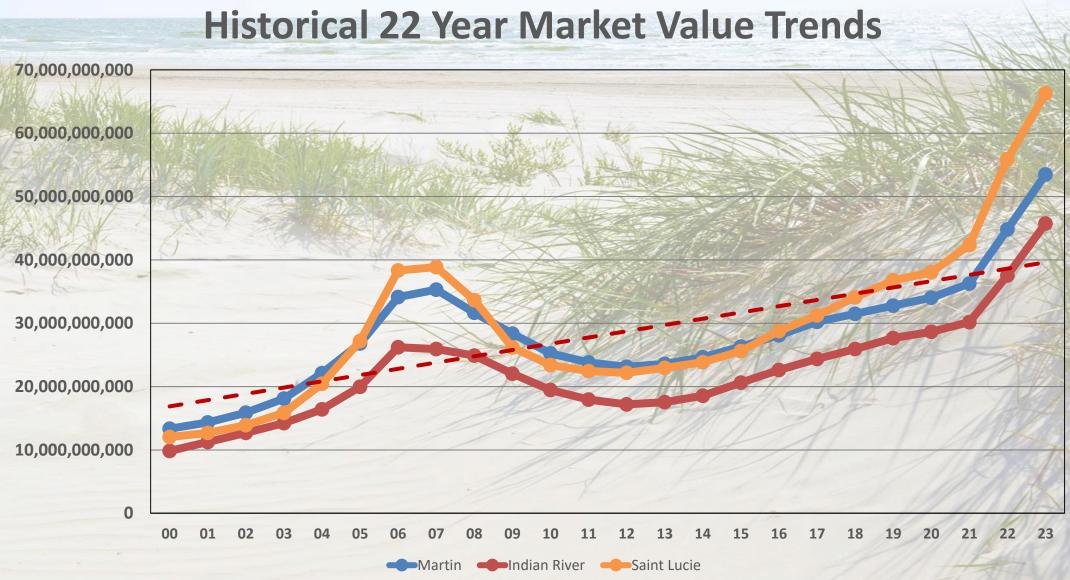


Historical 25 Year New Construction Trends



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Martin County Metropolitan
Planning Organization
(MPO)



Martin County BOCC
Proposed Development Map







New Website Features and Enhancements