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DATA COLLECTION BEGINS IN POMFRET

Data collection begins in Pomfret as part of the Northeastern Connecticut Council of Governments (NECCOG) Revaluation Project. This phase of the project is already complete in Ashford, Woodstock, Plainfield, Sterling, Eastford, and Killingly.

Throughout the course of the five-year project, data collectors will visit 20,000 properties in the participating towns, including approximately 750 in Pomfret. They will be going door to door, asking to conduct both an interior and exterior inspection. Occupants do not have to let data collectors in, but the overall accuracy of the information is enhanced when they can see a property inside and out. Data collectors will not attempt to enter a house if a responsible adult is not present.

Data collectors will verify information about the property, such as age, type of basement, number of rooms, baths, type of heat, interior finish components, and anything that is unique to the building. Owners will receive a written property report, called a data mailer, six to eight weeks after the information is gathered.

A group of residential data collectors assigned to the NECCOG revaluation will move from town to town as needed. Local and state background checks have been conducted on all project field personnel. Every data collector will wear a photo ID and their vehicles will be registered with both the local and state police.

Accurate property characteristics are a very important element of the revaluation. The market place will ultimately determine property values and new assessments, but it all begins with good data collection.

For more information, call Town of Pomfret Assessor's Office 860-974-1674.

Meet the Data Collectors

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Q: What is a revaluation?

A: A revaluation, or reassessment, means that Tyler CLT, along with the Assessor, will determine the current fair market value of every property in the Town. When the revaluation is complete, your new assessment will be equal to 70% of the fair market value of your property.

Q: Why is the Town reassessing all properties?

A: The State of CT mandates towns and cities to revalue all properties at least every 5 years and because property values change over time, inequities can occur. A revaluation addresses the inequities so that each property owner pays only his or her fair share of the tax burden.

Q: What will a data collector do when he/she comes to my door?

- They will ask you questions about the property, such as year built, number of rooms, etc.
- Ask permission to view the interior of the property.
- Measure the outside dimensions of the residence and any other structures.
- They will **NOT** be collecting any information on personal property, such as artwork, furniture or appliances.
- They will **NOT** be able to answer questions about the current value or assessment.

Q: How long will the inspection take?

A: Inspections typically take 10 to 15 minutes to complete. You are encouraged to accompany the data collector during the inspection as they verify the data currently listed for your property.

Q: Do I have to cooperate with Tyler CLT?

A: It is in every taxpayer's best interest to ensure the new assessments are based on accurate data. The best way to achieve this is to allow the data collector to inspect your property.

Q: What if I'm not home when the data collector visits and I haven't scheduled an appointment?

A: The data collector will verify the exterior measurements of all buildings on the property only and the interior information will be estimated based on the best information available.

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