



# 2020 Assessor's Report

## COVID-19 AND YOUR ASSESSMENT

COVID-19 impacts are not reflected on your 2020 Notices of Value. Here's why:

- 1 2020 assessed values reflect your property value as of January 1, 2020.
- 2 The sales which determine your 2020 assessment are the sales that occurred in 2019.

Any potential impact from the COVID 19 virus would be reflected in market sales during 2020. The 2020 market sales are being analyzed and any impact will be reflected in your 2021 assessments.

It is important to remember that assessments don't determine level of taxation, but rather an equal distribution of taxes approved by your taxing district boards. We encourage individuals to reach out to their elected representatives should they have questions or concerns about local and state property taxes.

### ASSESSOR'S OFFICE RESPONSIBILITIES

If you'd like to learn more about my responsibilities as Assessor, please see my 2019 report <https://www.clark.wa.gov/assessor/assessors-report>



**Peter Van Nortwick**  
Assessor

*In 2019, we saw the fruition of many years of hard work as the state legislature passed legislation tying the income required to qualify for the Senior Exemption Program to the income level of each county. The result of this legislation increased the income level to qualify in Clark County from \$40,000 to \$50,348.*

*Another key component of the legislation was lowering the level of veteran disability from 100 percent to 80 percent, so more of our wounded veterans could qualify for the program.*

*The impact of this change will double the number of households with our most vulnerable tax payers that can qualify for property tax relief.*

