

UNDERSTANDING LOCAL TAXES

In Pennsylvania, in addition to the state personal income tax collected by the PA Department of Revenue, municipalities, school districts and the county may each levy several different types of taxes.

The Borough's elected tax collector is:

Brian Eastman

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The local elected tax collector bills and collects for the following:

Real Estate Tax – levied by the county, school district and municipality on real estate owned within their jurisdictions. Each taxing authority will levy a different millage rate, and bills are mailed in the spring for county and municipal tax and in the summer for school district tax. This tax may or may not be paid through a mortgage company. The current tax rate for the Borough is 3.7703 mills.

Other Taxes – Per Capita Tax is an annual head tax of \$5.00 and an Occupation Assessment Tax of 30 mills. The Borough has enacted a Fire Protection Services Tax of .25 mills.

The **York Adams Tax Bureau (YATB)** has been chosen by Adams County to collect both the earned income tax and local services tax from residents for both the Borough and the Gettysburg Area School District.

Earned Income Tax – levied by the municipality and school district where you reside. It is a tax on gross wages and net profits. The current tax rate for Borough residents is 1.7%. The tax is shared between the Borough (.5%) and school district (1.2%). If a person works within Pennsylvania the employer is required to withhold the tax and remit it to the collector where the employer is located. YATB collects the tax for Adams County. If a person is self-employed or works out-of-state, the tax must be estimated and paid quarterly. (Due dates: April 30, July 30, Oct 30 and Jan 30) An annual Individual Earned Income Tax Return must be filed with the YATB by April 15 following the end of the tax year. A return must be filed even if you had no earned income. Only permanently retired or disabled individuals are exempt from filing.

Local Services Tax (LST) – levied by the Borough and the school district on individuals who work in the Borough. It is an occupational privilege tax of \$52.00 per year (\$47 to the Borough and \$5 to the school district), withheld by the employer at no more than \$1.00 per week. YATB is the LST collector for Adams County. Low income exemptions may apply.

Individual Annual Earned Income Tax forms and payments may be filed online at www.palite.org. Additional forms and information may be found at www.yatb.com

Questions? by email at info@yatb.com or residents may call 717-334-4000. The YATB office is located at 240 West Street, Gettysburg.

