



# Hidalgo County Delinquent Tax Collection Report

**October 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015**



# The Linebarger Approach



## Mailings

3 Mailings

37,292 Statements

Over 6.5 Million per Mailing in Delinquency

## Contacts

10,878  
Phone Calls

1,874  
Walk-Ins

1,591  
Property Inspections

938  
Pay Off Requests

## Litigation

Lawsuit/Interventions

Tax Warrants

Lawsuits Disposed

Judgments

303

17

106

156

\$440,105\*

\$28,113

\$197,788

\$159,215

## Pending Litigation as of March 4, 2016

2,149 Cases

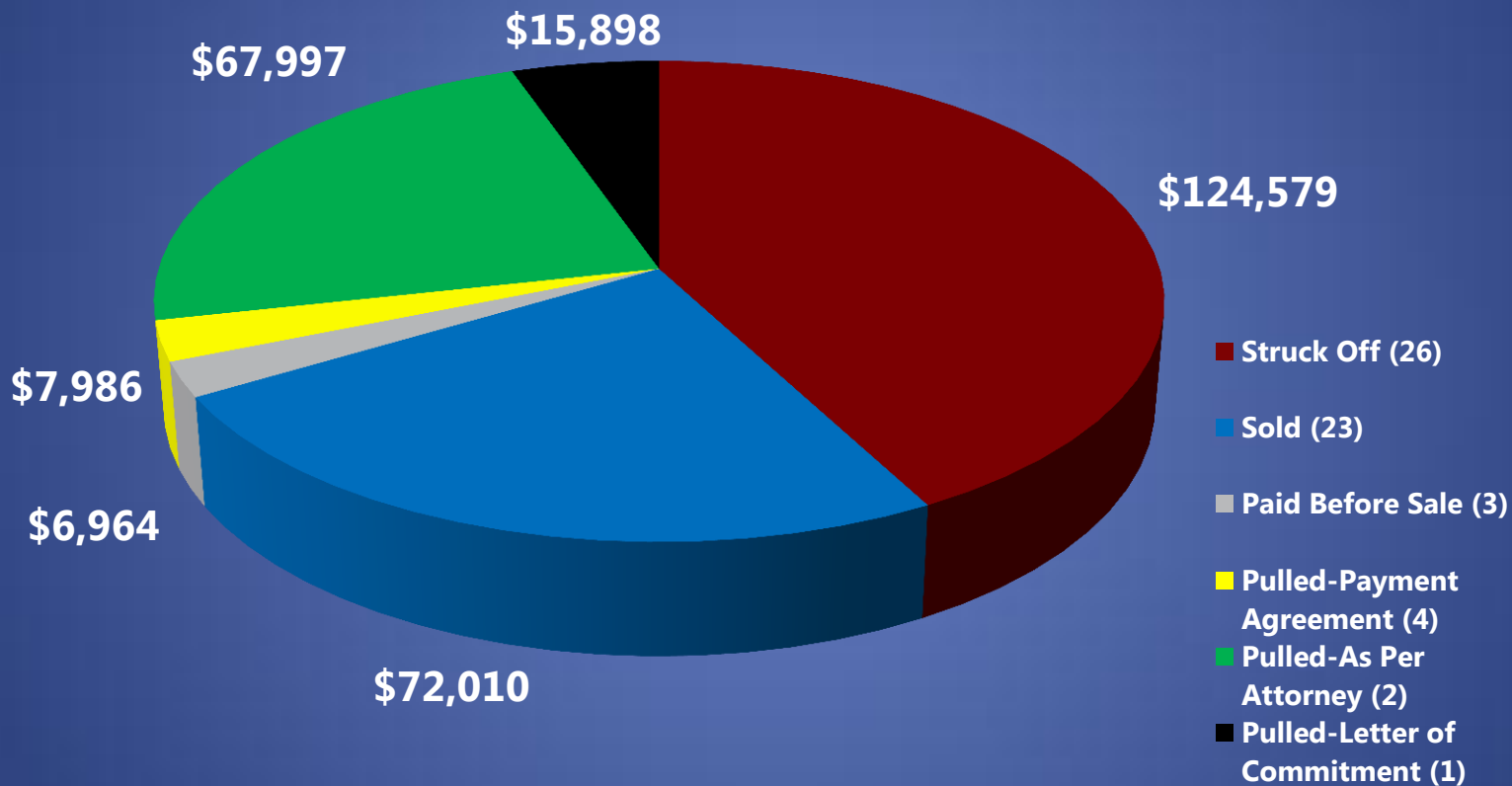
\$4,961,594 in Delinquency

\*Lawsuit/Intervention amounts reflect only those amounts initiated by LGB&S, LLP

# Tax Sale Results



## November and December Tax Sales



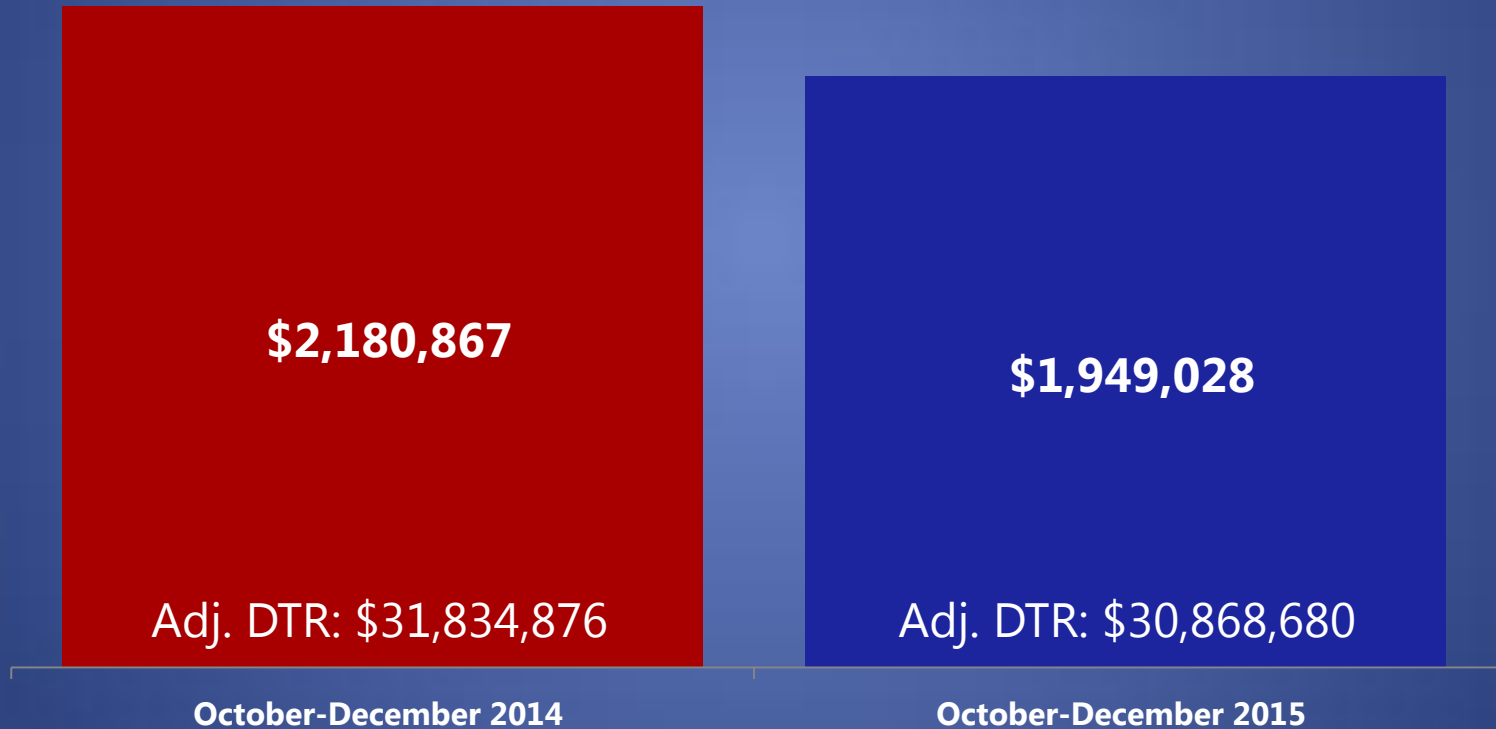
\* Source: Hidalgo County Tax Office Reports



# Results that Matter



## Second Quarter Collections



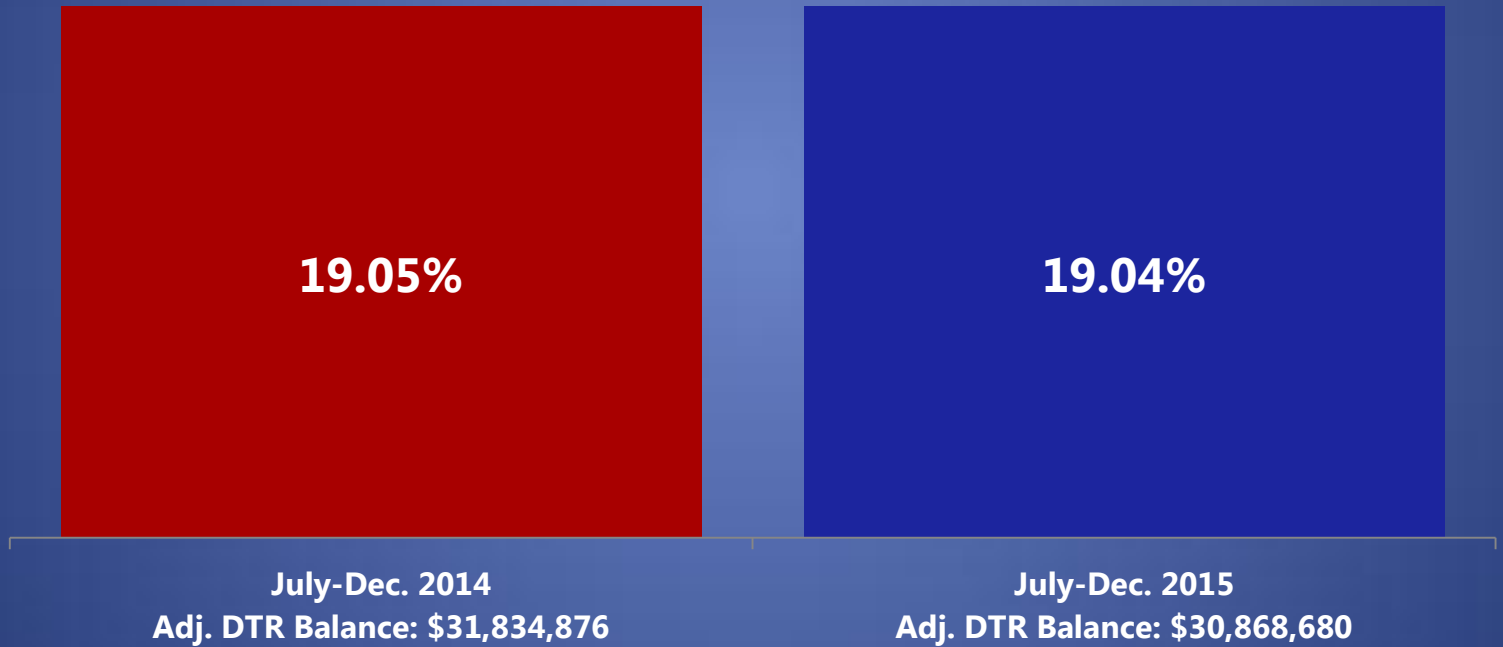
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## Year to Date Collections



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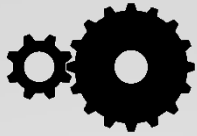
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## Work Plan

**Mailings:** Our office has executed three (3) mailings for the months of January, February and March 2016. In February our firm sent out notices as authorized under Section 33.11 of the Texas Property Tax Code specifically directed on the collection of delinquent taxes on the personal property accounts.

**Personal Contacts:** We will actively pursue phone collections and personal visits on targeted delinquent accounts, as we respond to taxpayer inquiries with full and complete answers, respectfully address outstanding taxpayer debt, and provide explanations of possible and available remedies. Our office will work with taxpayers who are willing to pay part of their tax debt on a structured and regular basis to avoid foreclosure (payment agreements, etc.).

**Litigation:** Our office will target the years with the highest dollar amounts in delinquency as reflected on the delinquent tax roll and accounts with several delinquent years through Special Mailings, Notices of Intent to Sue, and a fair but stern prosecution process.





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## Work Plan continued...

**Judgments:** We initiate properly advertised tax foreclosure sales every other month on delinquent tracts of property. A tax sale and resale were conducted on March 1, 2016. Preliminary numbers show at least \$1,215,838 of appraised value to be placed back on the assessed tax roll.

**Community Outreach:** For the second year, our firm, in partnership with the Hidalgo County Tax Office and the Hidalgo County Appraisal District is offering a series of educational presentations about property taxes to the public.

These presentations are taking place in each County Commissioner's precinct, once per quarter. In March, we will be holding our first presentation for the year in Precinct 1.



# Community Convenience



## *Payment Centers*

### *Precinct 4*

**205 S. Pin Oak  
Edinburg, Texas**

### *Precinct 3*

**1518 North Conway  
Mission, Texas**

### *Precinct 2*

**400 North McColl Road  
McAllen, Texas**

### *Precinct 1*

**708 E. Edinburg Ave  
Suite B  
Elsa, Texas**



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July 1, 2015-September 30, 2015