CLAIMS PROCESS – FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the 2026 Auction Proceeds Claims Process?

If your property was foreclosed in March 2026, you may be owed money from the auction sale. This is called remaining proceeds—the extra money left after your taxes and fees were paid. Under Michigan Compiled Laws (MCL) 211.78t, this money is not sent automatically—you have to apply to get it.

Who is eligible to file a claim for remaining proceeds?

You may be entitled to any remaining proceeds from a foreclosure sale if you owned or had an ownership interest in a property in Wayne County, Michigan, that was foreclosed in 2026 and may be sold at auction. "Remaining proceeds" are proceeds from the auction sale left over, if any, after the total amount due to the foreclosing governmental unit (including all costs and expenses incurred in connection with the sale) is paid.

How do I Participate?

To be eligible to receive any remaining sale proceeds, you must submit a Notice of Intent to Claim Interest in Foreclosure Sales Proceeds (Form 5743) no later than July 1, 2026. Scan the QR code to access the form.

How do I Submit the Notice of Intent form?

The Completed and **NOTARIZED** forms must be sent by certified United States Postal Service mail, return receipt requested or hand delivered no later than July 1, 2026 to:
Wayne County Treasurer: 400 Monroe, 5th Floor, Detroit, MI 48226

Where Can I Learn More About the Process?

To learn more about the claims process, please visit the Wayne County Treasurer's Office website and click on the "Claims & Auction page". The full claims process is also outlined in Michigan Compiled Laws (MCL) 211.78t. Scan to view the law:

What are next steps after filing the Notice of the Intent form?

You will receive a Notice to Claimant to File Motion by January 30, 2027. This notice will include:

- Whether there are funds available (remaining proceeds)
- Whether other parties have filed claims
- Instructions to file a motion with the Wayne County 3rd Circuit Court
- Your case number, assigned judge, and court contact information

You will then need to file a motion with the court to complete your claim.
Motion form: https://shorturl.at/99N4z or scan the qr code:

Questions? Visit **WayneCountyMI.gov/Treasurer** or email: **taxinfo@waynecountymi.gov**