

...REAL ESTATE TAX RELIEF

Applications are now being taken for the relief for the Elderly and Handicapped Tax Relief Program. You can access the [Application for Tax Relief for Elderly or Disabled \(PDF\)](#); however, you are required to apply in person.

Time Frame for Applying

You must sign up **in person** for this program between January 1st and March 1st each year to qualify for the reduction on your real estate tax bill.

Qualifications

- The owner must be age 65 by December 31 of the previous year **or** handicapped.
- Household gross income from the taxpayer, spouse, and all relatives living in the home must total less than \$50,000.
- Total net worth, excluding home and 1 acre, must be less than \$200,000.
- Veterans that are not 100% service connected or 100% disabled must provide income statements.

Verification Requirements

Income verification is required. If verification statements are not brought in, this office will not be able to complete the application process. A handwritten summary will **not** be accepted as verification.

Required Statements

- 401 plan statements
- Annuities
- Bonds
- Certificates of deposit (CD)
- Checking and saving statements
- IRA
- Money market
- Mutual funds
- Other income resources, including all interest income from these statements
- Social security benefit statements
- Stocks
- W2 forms

Additional Requirement for Handicapped Applicants

Handicapped applicants must supply this office with a letter from a doctor or the certification letter from social security the first year he/she applies for this tax reduction.

Tax Payments

Taxes must be paid by the June 5th and November 5th deadlines to avoid penalty and interest charges.

More Information

If you have any questions, please contact the Commissioner of the Revenue Office.