

STATE PROGRAM INFORMATION

Connecticut law provides for annual tax relief payments for certain homeowners. The following information applies to applications filed in 2013. A person or spouse making an application must:

1. Be at least 65 years of age as of December 31, 2013 or you must be over 18 and permanently and totally disabled. Proof of 100% disability from Social Security (form TPQY) required.
2. Own the property or hold a tenancy for life or for a term of years, which makes the applicant liable for payment of taxes (CGS Sec. 12-48). The property must be the applicant's primary residence as of October 1st.
2. Be a permanent resident of the State of Connecticut as of October 1, 2013.
4. Meet income limits determined by the State. The 2013 income limits are \$41,600 for married persons, \$34,100 for single.
5. Include a copy of your 2013 Federal Income Tax Return if you have filed one, and Social Security 1099 forms.

If no income tax return was filed, please submit these proofs of income with your application:

- * Total Income from 2013 (all sources)
- * Social Security Income for 2013 (form SSA 1099)
- * Pension Benefits for 2013
- * Interest Statements, dividends from stocks & bonds for 2013
- * Railroad Retirement for 2013

TOWN LOCAL OPTION INFORMATION

If you are not presently on the State Program, you may be eligible for the Town Local Option. A person making an application must:

1. Meet State requirements **except for income limits.**
2. Meet income limits determined by the Town. The 2013 income limits are \$52,600 for married couples, \$45,100 for single persons and \$62,600 for married couples with dependent children in which one spouse is disabled and receiving Social Security Disability Benefits (form TPQY).
3. Your assets, excluding the value of your primary residence and any tax deferred retirement investments, can not exceed \$100,000.
4. Residents whose property tax does not exceed 7% of income will not be eligible for this program.
5. When state and local assistance combined exceed 75% of your property tax, eligibility for this program stops.
6. The maximum credit is \$700 and the minimum is \$100.

FILING DATES FOR STATE & LOCAL TAX CREDIT

File an application between February 1st and May 15th at least every two years. First time filers should contact the Social Services Department at (860) 291-7248 for an appointment. **If you are presently on the Elderly Program**, you will receive the application in the mail, if this is your year to renew.

For additional explanation and/or information please call:

Assessor's Office
(860) 291-7260

TAX RELIEF PROGRAM APPOINTMENT

Name: _____ Program(s): _____

Appointment Date: _____ Time: _____

At the time of your scheduled appointment, please bring the following documentation:

- Proof of all income for applicants & spouses for 2013, social security, pensions, wages, dividends, interest, IRA's, etc.
- Copies of your SSA 1099 forms ARE MANDATORY. (This is your year end Social Security Benefit Statement).
- Copy of your completed Income Tax Return for 2013, if filed.
- Disabled applicants, who did not receive an SSA 1099 form for 2013, must provide a TPQY, current award letter from Social Security, or other proof of a permanent and total disability from a government related program.

The income levels for this years' Local Programs are **\$52,600** for married couples, **\$45,100** for single persons and **\$62,600** for married couples with dependent children in which one spouse is disabled and receiving Social Security Disability Benefits (form TPQY). Income limits for the State's Programs are **\$41,600** for a couple and **\$34,100** for a single person.

Please wait until you have received all of your 2013 income documentation, and completed your Income Tax Return (if filing), before contacting the Social Service Department to schedule an appointment.

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO KEEP THIS APPOINTMENT, PLEASE CONTACT THE HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT AT (860) 291-7248 AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Thank you.

PROPERTY TAX PROGRAM INFORMATION FOR ELDERLY AND TOTALLY DISABLED HOMEOWNERS STATE & LOCAL TAX CREDIT

