

# Property Tax Relief

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## Description:

### *Elderly/Disabled Homeowners Circuit Breaker Tax Relief Program:*

Older adults and persons who are totally disabled in residence of real property may receive a property tax credit up to \$1,250 for married couples and up to \$1,000 for individuals. The credit amount is calculated by the local assessor and applied by the tax collector to the participant's real property tax bill. The amount of credit granted is based on a graduated income scale. Persons must meet income limit requirements.

### *Elderly/Disabled Renters Rebate Tax Relief Program:*

Older adults and persons who are totally disabled who rent an apartment or room or live in cooperative housing or a mobile home may receive a renters' rebate in the form of a direct grant on the assumption that part of the rent they pay covers their landlords' property taxes. Rebates may be up to \$900 for married couples and up to \$700 for individuals. The amount of rebate granted is based upon a graduated income scale and the amount of rent and utilities paid in the previous year, excluding telephone service. Persons must meet income requirements. Generally the lower a person's income, the larger the rebate he or she can receive. Certain government aid or subsidies can disqualify a person from this program.

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## Eligibility Requirements, Service Areas and Program Year:

### Eligibility Requirements for Homeowners:

- Must be age 65 or older or permanently and totally disabled.
- Homeowners must submit their applications between May 15 and September 15.

### Eligibility Requirements for Renters:

- Recipients or spouses must be age 65 or older, or be age 50 or older and the surviving spouse of a renter who at the time of death had qualified and was entitled to tax relief provided that such spouse was living with the renter at the time of death, or
- Must be age 18 or older with a permanent and total disability.
- Income cannot exceed \$30,500 for a single individual and \$37,300 for a couple.
- Must have resided in Connecticut for at least one year.
- Must provide proof of income, rent, and utilities.
- Must file applications between May 15 and September 15.

### Service Areas:

Statewide

Program Year:  
July – June

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### **Contact Information:**

Contact the Municipal Tax Assessor or the town's social service agency in the town in which the applicant resides. Telephone numbers can be found in the blue pages of the telephone directory.

For additional questions regarding the programs:

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### **Related Information:**

[Disabled Tax Relief Program, refer to page VI – 1.](#)  
[Veteran's Basic/Additional Exemption Tax Relief, refer to page VI – 24.](#)