



TAX RELIEF FOR LOW-INCOME SENIORS AND LOW-INCOME DISABLED PERSONS TAXPAYER INFORMATION

PROPERTY TAX INCREASE RELIEF FOR LOW INCOME SENIORS AND DISABLED PERSONS

Low-income homeowners in the County of Simcoe who meet certain criteria, and whose property taxes have increased over the previous year, may apply for a tax reduction of up to \$250 against an eligible increase.

This program has been established under Section 319 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* and is open to residential property owners who are, or whose spouse is:

- 65 years of age or older and eligible for support under the Federal Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) program or Ontario Works; or
- A disabled person of any age who is eligible for benefits under the Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP).

The subject property must be the primary residence of the applicant. No relief can be granted for properties used on a seasonal or occasional basis, that are tenanted or are otherwise used for a purpose other than the owner's primary residence.

Eligible Relief

Relief under this program can only be granted against a year-over-year increase in calculated property taxes. If the total property taxes as shown on your final property tax bill are greater than the final taxes for the previous year, you may be eligible to have the increase amount cancelled up to a maximum of \$250. If the total property taxes are less than or equal to the prior year's taxes, no relief can be granted.

Example Circumstances	Increase Under \$250	Increase Over \$250	Decrease
Application Year Taxes	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500
Prior Year Taxes	\$2,300	\$1,900	\$2,700
Difference	\$200	\$600	-\$200
Eligible Amount	\$200	\$250	\$0

Application for Relief

Applications are available at Town of Midland Municipal office

If you require assistance completing your application, please contact the Town office at 705-526-4275 ext. 2226 and staff will be happy help you through the application process.

Application Deadline

Applications may be made once final tax bills have been issued and **must be received by December 31st** of the year for which relief is being requested.



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**Application for Property Tax Relief
Low Income Seniors / Low Income Disabled Persons**

PART 1: APPLICANT INFORMATION

Taxation Year:

Applicant Name: _____

Applicant Status: **A.** Low-Income Senior [☐] **B.** Low-Income Disabled Person [☐] **C.** Spouse of **A**[☐] or **B**[☐]

Mailing Address: _____

Phone No: _____ E-Mail: _____

Preferred Contact: Email [☐] Letter Mail [☐] Phone [☐] Other: _____

PART 2: PROPERTY INFORMATION

Roll Number: _____

Property Address: _____

Assessed Owner(s): _____

PART 3: PROPERTY AND PROPERTY TAX ELIGIBILITY

The following questions will assist in determining whether your property, property assessment and property tax circumstances meet the minimum eligibility requirements to be considered for relief under this program.

3.1 This program applies to the principal residence that is owned by an eligible applicant.

- a. Are you the/a registered owner of the Subject Property? **Yes** [☐] **No** [☐]
- b. Is this property your officialy listed principal residence? **Yes** [☐] **No** [☐]

3.2 This program applies to property tax increase from one year to the next, up to a maximum of \$250.

- a. Have your property taxes increased this year in comparison to last year? **Yes** [☐] **No** [☐] **Unsure** [☐]
- b. If known, please enter **Last Year's Taxes** \$ _____ **Current Year Taxes** \$ _____

If the answer is "No" to any of the above questions, your property and/or property tax circumstances do not qualify for consideration under this program.

If you answered "Yes" to all of the above questions, please proceed with the remainder of this application.

Require Assistance or Property Information? If you do not have some of this information and/or would like to confirm the information that you do have is accurate, please contact the municipality's tax office and we will be pleased to assist you. Tax and Revenue Clerk: 705-526-4275 ext. 2226



PART 4: APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY

The following questions will assist in determining whether you (the applicant) may qualify as an “eligible person” under this program. Please make a mark beside all of the statements that apply to you and/or your spouse.

Status / Circumstance	Applies to Myself	Applies to my Spouse	Does Not Apply
4.1 I am or will be 65 years of age or older this year.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.2 I receive payments under, or have been qualified for the Government of Canada’s Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.3 I receive payments under, or have been qualified for financial assistance under the <i>Ontario Works Act</i> .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.4 I receive payments under, or have been qualified for financial assistance under the <i>Ontario Disability Support Program Act</i> (ODSP).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Important Notes Regarding Eligibility and Documentation:

Completion of an application does not establish eligibility to any form or amount of relief. In order to be deemed eligible for relief under this provision, the municipality must determine that the applicant’s circumstances meet the criteria for this program and that there has been an eligible increase in taxes in the current year.

Applicants are asked to submit documentation with this application; however, you should be aware that the municipality will review the contents of this application and support documentation and verify eligibility before any relief can be provided.

Documentation requested to support this application includes, but may not be limited to:

- Revenue Canada Notice(s) of Assessment to confirm principal residence and receipt of means tested assistance including the Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS);
- Documentation to confirm eligibility for payments under the *Ontario Works Act* and/or the *Ontario Disability Support Program Act* (ODSP); and/or
- Other documentation that may assist the municipality in confirming anything attested to in this application.

Certification

I, _____ certify that the information contained on this form is true, accurate and complete and that I agree to provide any and all documentation requested by the municipality in support of this application.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Municipal Use Only

Received On:	Via:	Received/Processed by:	
Subject Year:	Property CVA:	RTC/Q:	Eligible Property: Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>
Base Year Taxes: \$	Subject Year Taxes: \$	Tax Change: \$	Eligible Increase: Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>
Documents Received: Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>	Documents: Return <input type="checkbox"/> Shred <input type="checkbox"/>		