



# Property Tax Assistance Program

For Low Income: Seniors (65+), Non-Seniors (55 to 64) or Persons with Disabilities

Instructions:

- Review Part D (reverse side) for program eligibility details and complete Parts A, B and C
- Submit application by February 9, 2024**
- Mail, email or deliver this form to: **City of Peterborough, Tax Office**

**500 George Street North, Peterborough ON K9H 3R9**  
 Phone Inquiries: 705-742-7777 Extension 1865  
 Email: tax@peterborough.ca

Assessment Roll Number				-										-	0	0	0	0
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<b>Part A – Applicant Information</b>																		
Property Owner																		
Spouse (if applicable)																		
Property Address:																		
Phone Number:				-				-										
Email:																		

**Part B – Proof of Eligibility (complete applicable option and provide proof as requested)**

<b>Option 1: Seniors Age 65 or older – one or both owners are over 65</b>																			
I qualify as a Low Income Senior under the Federal Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) Program.																			
I include a copy of my 2022 T4A (OAS) Statement of Old Age Security form from Canada Revenue Agency.																			
Owner's Date of Birth:										Spouse's Date of Birth: (if applicable)									

<b>Option 2: Non-Seniors Age 55 to 64 – one or both owners are between 55 &amp; 64</b>																			
I qualify as a Low Income Non-Senior.																			
I include supporting documentation to show a combined taxable income of less than \$30,000 as reported on Line 260 of the year 2022 Income Tax Notice of Assessment.																			
Owner's Date of Birth:										Spouse's Date of Birth: (if applicable)									

<b>Option 3: People with Disabilities – one or both owners receive ODSP</b>																		
<input type="checkbox"/> I qualify as a Low Income Person with a Disability under the Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP).																		
<input type="checkbox"/> I include confirmation from the Ministry of Community and Social Services to indicate I receive the maximum shelter allowance.																		
<b>Note:</b> A business card from your Client Services Representative with a note to indicate you receive the maximum shelter allowance is acceptable.																		

**Part C - Declaration**

I certify the information on this form and all attachments is true, correct and complete. I have read and agree to the Program Details as outlined in Part D of this form. I authorize the City of Peterborough to take any means required to verify all information included on this application.

Name:												Date:					-					-		
Signature:	<b>X</b>											<small>Y Y Y Y M M D D</small>												

Personal information on this form is collected under the authority of the **Municipal Act** and will be used for the purpose of Section 319 of the Municipal Act.

## Part D – Program Details

1. Tax Relief granted under this program shall be a credit on the tax account, provided that the Property Owner, spouse of the Property Owner, or both:
  - a) solely own(s) and solely occupy(ies) and is(are) named as an owner of the property applied for and that the property taxes imposed are for the principal residence only; and
  - b) was assessed as the owner of residential real property in the City of Peterborough as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 through to December 31, 2023; and
  - c) is a person who is:
    - 65 years of age or older, as of December 31, 2023 and is in receipt of benefits paid under the **Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS)**, as established under **The Old Age Security Act** (Canada), or under **Guaranteed Annual Income System (GAINS)** as established under the **Ontario Guaranteed Annual Income Act**; or
    - 55-64 years of age, as of December 31, 2023 and whose combined taxable income as reported on Line 260 of 2022's Income Tax Notice of Assessment is less than \$30,000; or
    - in receipt of benefits paid under the **Ontario Disability Support Program Act, 1997**.
2. The eligibility criteria apply to the oldest person in the household when applying for the Senior or Pre-Senior tax relief.
3. The tax relief is a flat amount of \$400 with the exception of those previously receiving a credit greater than \$400 for which the higher amount is grandfathered in until the owner no longer owns the property in the City or they no longer fit the eligibility criteria for one of the above categories.
4. Tax relief shall be granted to only one eligible owner per eligible property per year. Owners may not own more than one property in the City of Peterborough. This property must be solely classified in the Residential tax classification.
5. If the applicant purchases the property after January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, tax relief shall not be granted for 2023. Eligible owners in this situation can reapply for tax relief for the 2024 taxation year.
6. The tax relief amount will be applied against the 2024 Interim Tax bill as a credit on the tax account thereby reducing the March instalment payable. For those taxpayers on the City's monthly pre-authorized payment plan, the monthly amount will be adjusted to include the tax relief for the final six monthly payments in 2024.
7. No tax relief shall be granted to those owners who may be in receipt of tax relief under the Heritage Tax Credit program or Community Improvement Plans.
8. Applications must include supporting documentation establishing that the applicant is receiving funds under one of the prescribed programs or that their combined taxable income is less than \$30,000 annually.
9. If taxes and penalties are not paid up-to-date, the tax relief amount will be applied to the outstanding tax account.