

POST OFFICE BOX 5125
125 EAST AVENUE, ROOM 106,
NORWALK CT 06856-5125
TELEPHONE (203) 854-7888
HTTP://WWW.NORWALKCT.ORG



DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
OFFICE OF THE ASSESSOR

STATE OF CONNECTICUT AND CITY OF NORWALK ELDERLY OR DISABLED HOMEOWNERS TAX RELIEF PROGRAMS FOR THE 2020 GRAND LIST

February 4, 2021

NOTICE REGARDING APPLICATION FOR TAX CREDITS

You are receiving this letter because you are due to reapply this year for tax credit benefits.

The Governor's Executive Order Number 10 issued 2/4/2021 suspended the reapplication filing requirement for the Homeowner's Elderly/Disabled Tax Relief Program. Taxpayers who applied 2 years ago, who were required to re-apply this year, their current re-application filings are suspended for the 2020 Grand List and such taxpayers ***shall automatically maintain their benefits at the same levels for the next two years using income previously given to us with your last application from fiscal year 2018.*** **You will not have to reapply until 2023.**

*If your income or marital status has changed since your previous application from two years ago, which was based on income from your 2018 Federal Tax return, OR if you were denied benefits from either the City or the State program two years ago, then **you should reapply.** If you last applied as **married**, and your spouse passed away in either the years 2018 or 2019, then you should fully reapply with new applications as widowed because you may be entitled to more tax credits. **DO NOT REAPPLY IF YOUR SPOUSE PASSED AWAY IN 2020 as this will not change your marital status by reapplying this year per State guidelines.** Your application will be due by **May 15, 2021**, otherwise we will use your application and income from two years ago and you may refile next year.*

If you believe you should reapply, please contact our office for the applications at 203-854-7888 or 203-854-7887 and we will mail them out to you or you can pick up blank applications from Customer Service window in the entrance of City Hall or visit our website at www.norwalkct.org/232/Tax-Credits for blank applications.

If you decide to refile because you believe you may receive more benefits and you will not have your tax return (**if you file one**) completed in time to file your application by May 15, 2021, or if you cannot get an application to us because of issues due to the Coronavirus, you may contact our office to receive an extension request. Any extension request will need to be filled out and sent to the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management. This extension must be applied for by **August 15, 2021**.

Please feel free to call our office at 203-854-7816 or 203-854-7729 with any concerns or questions about the credit filing process.

The Assessor's office of the City of Norwalk hopes that you are well and safe. If you need any assistance during this difficult time, we are providing you with some important phone numbers below that may help you.

Norwalk's Senior Services: Seniors experiencing hardship or who are in need of food. Call (203) 434-3085 or (203) 434-1876 for assistance. Their Staff monitor the phone lines, you are asked to leave a message and someone will call you back. You may also email them at seniorumbrella@sbcglobal.net

The Senior Center: Seniors can leave a message at 203-847-3115 (ENGLISH) or 203-299-1500 (ENESPAÑOL) and a staff member will return your call.