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What is the Senior Property Tax Credit Program?

The Senior Property Tax Credit Program, created by state law (RsMo 137.1050), helps eligible seniors by reducing their property tax bill. The amount of the credit is the difference between the property taxes you owe on your home for the current year and the amount you paid when you first became eligible for the program.

When would I receive my tax credit?

If you apply for the program in 2025, your credit will be applied to your 2025 Saline County Real Estate tax bill. Keep in mind that these are credits on your tax bill, not refunds of taxes you've already paid. The credit isn't retroactive, and the year you apply will determine when you receive the credit.

Who is eligible?

- a) A resident of Saline County, Missouri who is sixty-two (62) years of age or older before January first (1) of the Initial Credit Year;
- b) An owner of record of a Homestead or had legal or equitable interest in such property as evidenced by a written instrument; and
- c) Liable for payment of real property taxes on said Homestead.

What documents are required to prove eligibility?

- **Proof of Saline County Residency**: Utility bill, Voter Registration, Driver's License, Real Estate Tax Receipt.
- **Proof of Age (62 years or older)**: Any government-issued document with your Date of Birth will be accepted.
- Proof of Ownership: A copy of the deed showing you own the property. If the
 property is in a trust, LLC, or corporation, you must provide documents showing you
 have legal or equitable interest in the property, such as a trust or operating
 agreement.

How do I obtain an application?

- Visit <u>www.salinecountymo.gov</u>
- Request one by email at <u>seniortaxcredit@salinecountymo.gov</u>,
- Pick one up in person at the Saline County Collector's office 19 E. Arrow Room 201, Marshall, MO 65340.

How do I submit an application?

You can submit your completed application and documents by:

- Emailing them to seniortaxcredit@salinecountymo.gov.
- Dropping them off in the Dropbox on the east side of the Saline County Courthouse (circle drive).
- Mailing them to:
 Saline County Collector
 Saline County Courthouse
 19 E. Arrow Room 201
 Marshall, MO 65340

When is the application period?

Applications will be accepted from March 1, 2025 to August 31, 2025.

Do I need to renew my application to keep participating in the Senior Tax Credit? Yes, you'll need to submit a renewal application to confirm you're still eligible for the program.

How do I know if my application has been approved?

Applicants will be notified of approval by e-mail or by mail.