

TOTALLY DISABLED TAX RELIEF PROGRAMS

STATE TAX EXEMPTION FOR THE DISABLED

The State of Connecticut requires municipalities to provide qualifying property (real or motor vehicle) owners who are totally disabled a 1,000 property tax exemption (an amount off the property assessment).

To apply for this benefit, **file with the Assessment Office by January 31st** the following:

- 1) Social Security Disability Award Letter*; and
- 2) Totally Disabled Tax Exemption application (see webpage link).

If received by January 31st, this exemption will be applied to the current grand list assessment.

LOCAL OPTION TOTALLY DISABLED/LEGALLY BLIND ADDITIONAL EXEMPTION

West Hartford provides for an additional local option, income based property (real or motor vehicle) tax exemption of 1,000. The same income limits apply as for the state income based homeowners program (see below).

The application period is February 1st through October 1st annually. Complete the Totally Disabled/Legally Blind Local Income Based Program Application (see webpage link) and bring to the Assessment Department.

ELDERLY OR 100% DISABLED HOMEOWNERS PROGRAM

This is a State Program and income based. The town administers the paperwork and applies the tax credit (reduction off the tax amount), if approved. Please see FAQ's about Real Estate Tax Reduction (webpage link) for more information.

The application period for this benefit is February 1st through May 15th annually. See the webpage link Elderly Income Requirements for more information.

*Effective date of disability or certification of blindness must be by October 1st of the applicable assessment year (i.e., by 10/01/2021 for the 2021 Grand List).