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**CECIL COUNTY SENIOR & MILITARY TAX CREDIT**

**PLEASE READ PRIOR TO COMPLETING THE APPLICATION**

An eligible individual may receive a 20% Credit on County Real Property tax for no more than **five** years in total.

A new application must be submitted by September 1 for each year for which the Credit is being sought.

The amount of the Senior Credit shall be calculated after all other credits granted for the property have been applied.

**APPLICATION PERIOD – MAY 1 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 1**

Initial eligibility for the credit will be verified when the required documentation is received. Final approval of the credit will be confirmed in June with the receipt and review of the State tax assessment file. All applicants will receive an approval or denial letter. If your application is received by June 1, you should expect to receive the senior tax credit on your July 1 bill. For application received between June 2and September 1, a revised bill will be issued and mailed upon approval of the credit.

**REQUIREMENTS**

To qualify for this credit, you must be a senior citizen who has owned and resided in the same house in Cecil County, Maryland for 40 years or longer **or** be a retired member of the Armed Forces of the United States.

A Senior Citizen is a person sixty-five (65) years old or older as of July 1 of the tax year in which application for the credit submitted.

Your property tax assessment must be equal to or less than $400,000.

You must have a household taxable net income (**Adjusted** gross income – 2019 Federal Tax Return) equal to or less than $84,000. (Not Gross Income, all your deductions and exemptions are calculated prior to your eligibility of this credit being determined.)

Additional information is available on the County website: <http://www.ccgov.org/government/finance/property-tax/tax-credits-exemptions>

For questions relating to this application, please contact the Cecil County Finance Department via email at taxcredit@ccgov.org or by phone at 410-996-8059.