

Exemption Amount Increase for Widows, Widowers, Blind Persons and Persons Totally and Permanently Disabled

Thousands of Broward County property owners qualify for these exemptions. Under previous law, these exemptions deducted only \$500 from the property's assessed value which equates to an annual savings of only \$10 in property taxes. Representative Michael Gottlieb and Senator Ana Maria Rodriguez secured language in the 2022 legislative session which increased this exemption amount to \$5,000 for an increased tax savings of approximately \$100 beginning in 2023.

Automatic Senior Exemption Renewals for 2023

After the initial application approval, the Low-Income Senior Exemption automatically renews each year unless the senior notifies our office that they no longer meet the income requirement for this exemption. People who received the Senior Exemption in 2022 and are still living at the same address do <u>not</u> need to send in a signed renewal card to continue receiving this exemption.

Our office will mail the Senior Exemption renewal information this month with the annual income limitation set by the state of Florida.

- If your 2022 adjusted household gross income <u>does not</u> exceed the income limitation, you <u>DO NOT need</u> to do anything to continue receiving this valuable exemption for 2023. Your exemption will automatically be renewed provided you are still living at the same address and receiving Homestead Exemption.
- If your 2022 adjusted household gross income <u>did</u> exceed the income limitation, you must notify our office that you no longer qualify for this tax year when you receive the annual income notification from our office. We understand the adjusted household gross income for some individuals may change from year to year so an applicant may qualify one year and then not the next.

If you did not receive the Senior Exemption for 2022 and you believe you may qualify, please visit our website at web.bcpa.net and click on the "Senior Exemption" icon to view this exemption. You can also apply online at https://web.bcpa.net/bcpaclient/#/SeniorsAppForm. The absolute deadline to apply for any 2023 exemption is September 18, 2023.

If my office can ever be of assistance to you, please call us at 954-357-6830 or email me directly at martykiar@bcpa.net

Take care.

Marty Kiar,

Broward County Property Appraiser

