

# Ashburnham Senior Citizen Property Tax Work-off Program for Current Fiscal Year

## PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

This is an excellent program for both eligible seniors and the town. Town Departments may be able to get work done that they do not have staffing to accomplish right now and the seniors will get *up to* \$750 off their final tax bill. Senior participants' work is credited 100 hours at \$7.50 per hour.

### Participant Eligibility Requirements

The program is open to resident property owners who:

- Are sixty (60) years of age or over,
- Have this home as their primary residence for at least one year, or has lived in Massachusetts for
- Are legally responsible for paying the property tax (if house is in trust, the trust instrument is required to determine ownership), and
- Fall within the income guidelines for the preceding year.

Number in family	One person	Two persons
Income	\$35,000	\$42,500

Participants receive this credit in addition to any other abatement, not to exceed the annual amount of tax bill.

Applicants are required to fill out a federal IRS W-9 form at the time of application. Credit earned under this program is subject to federal tax.

### Additional Information

The Assessors Office and the Council on Aging will coordinate the program. It is limited to 10 seniors.

Applications will be evaluated using the following selection criteria:

- Income
- Ability to perform the work
- Availability of a position suitable for the skills of the applicant

. The Board of Assessors will set up an interview for the participant to meet with the department contact person for a position opening. Departments that "hire" volunteers will report hours worked to the Board of Assessors.

For more information call:  
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