

King County Assessor's Office Senior Property Tax Reduction Program



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Overview

REQUIREMENTS	EXEMPTION
AGE/DISABILITY	61 years old by Dec. 31 of assessment year OR disabled by SSA definition OR a Veteran with disabilities with service- connected disability-80% evaluation or 100% compensated
OCCUPANCY/ OWNERSHIP	Must occupy property as principal residence. Must own or be purchasing.
INCOME LIMITS	70% county median household income (2024 taxes and forward)





Annual house – Combined disposable Income Limits:

- 2024 \$84,000 or less
- 2023 to 2021 \$ 58,423 or less



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- This property tax reduction is a **gift** to the qualifying taxpayer it never has to be repaid
- The **tax burden shifts** to regular taxpayers and the jurisdictions still get their necessary funds



How to Apply:

- Online portal: <u>https://senior-exemption.kingcounty.gov/intro</u>
- Download application : <u>https://kingcounty.gov/en/legacy/depts/assessor/Forms.aspx</u>
- Request application by phone at (206) 296-3920
- In person at King County King Street Center 2nd floor (Hours: Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.)

Note: Applications are typically available beginning in February of the year the taxes will be due.



Additional Information:

- The taxpayer can apply for up to three prior years, but they must meet each year's qualification to be approved
- Property values freeze at the market value of the first year approved the lower of the frozen or market value will be used for taxation.
- An applicant is responsible to notify our office if their income changes and it affects their benefit level.
- Other changes that would affect the program, such as selling the home or the applicant is deceased, etc.
- Every six years the applicant will be notified by the DOA with the Mandatory Renewal application as required by law.





General Customer Service Line: 206-296-3920 General Email: Exemptions.assessments@kingcounty.gov Outreach requests: eduenasdahlgren@kingcounty.gov

