

# Senior Citizen Property Tax Work-Off Abatement Application M.G.L. Chapter 59 Section 5

Date:	Telephone:			
Name:				
Address:				
ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: PLE	ASE ANSWER	ALL OF THE FOLLOWING		
	Yes	No		
Over Age 60?				
Resident of Erving for at least 5 years?				
Owner of Residence?				
Primary Residence? Copy of Tax Return of Prior Year				
CORI (Criminal offender record information)?				
<b>**When submitting your application please in</b> information may be found at <u>http://www.mass</u> .				
Education:				
Name High School	Graduation Date			
College				
Other				
Volunteer Experience:				
Name of Organization Dates	Duties			
1				
2				
Other Interests, skills and/or hobbies:				

### Work Experience:

(Please include employment name & address/phone number/dates of employment)

## **Position/Duties:**

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## **Computer Skills:**

	None	Beginner	Intermediate	Advanced
E-Mail Microsoft Word				
Microsoft Excel				
Microsoft Access Joomla/Wordpress				
Other:				

In case of emergency, please notify:

What else would you like to tell us?

## ELIGIBILLITY GUIDELINES

- 1. Must be 60+ years of age as of the Fiscal Year applying (July 1).
- 2. Must have been the homeowner (or current spouse of the homeowner) for a minimum of five years and must currently occupy the dwelling as the principal (primary) residence.
- 3. The program runs October 1 September 1 and the abatement will be applied to the upcoming fiscal year tax bill. You must submit the application to the Town of Erving Board of Selectmen's Office on or before September of the calendar year in which you are working. The maximum abatement that can be earned is \$750. The hourly rate at which the volunteer services are to be credited shall be the minimum wage of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in effect at the time the services are provided. There is a limit of ten (10) participants per fiscal year.
- 4. Only one Senior Citizen Property Tax Work-Off Abatement per property per year shall be allowed. (This program cannot be in addition to any other personal exemption allowed under other statutes.)
- 5. There are annual gross income limits: \$35,000 if Single and \$55,000 if married. The Assessors will deduct a minimum social security allowance which is set by the DOR yearly from the gross receipts.
- 6. Must apply for the abatement yearly with no guarantee that you be selected the next year
- 7. No current town employees are eligible.
- 8. Applicant <u>must</u> notify the Town if there are any changes affecting eligibility or risk being denied.
- 9. The program is administered by the Board of Selectmen office with assistance from the Treasurer, Assessors and Tax Collector Offices.
- 10. Acceptance is subject to ability to place the applicant in an available position after meeting the eligibility requirements. Placement is determined by matching skills with available requests
- 11. If more applications are received than have been funded by the Town, the first timely, eligible persons will be selected and the remaining persons placed on a waiting list.
- 12. Applicants have the right to refuse placements but each applicant may only go on a maximum of two interviews.
- 13. Although this program is exempt from state income taxes, it is not exempt from Medicare taxes. Therefore, the Town will send the required income tax earnings report to program participants (i.e., W2).
- 14. Participants are not eligible for any Town Benefits.

The information that I have provided is true and complete. I understand that misrepresentation or omission of any fact in my application and any other materials provided can be justification for denial of application or can be justification for termination. In processing my application, the Town of Erving may verify all of the information provided by me.

I have read the eligibility requirements for participation in the Senior Citizen Property Tax Work-Off Abatement Program

Signature:

Date:

Accepted by BOS

October 5, 2015