## **Programs Currently Available in Vernon**

- 1. State program which provides a tax credit on your real estate property tax bill. Amount of credit based on the amount of your income and the amount of your property taxes.
- 2. Local program which provides a tax credit on your real estate property tax bill. Amount of credit based on the amount of your income and the length of time you have owned your property.
- 3. Local program which "freezes" your real estate tax bill. Homeowner, or spouse, has to have been age 70 or older as of December 31, 2022. A tax lien is placed on the property annually for the difference in tax savings. When the property is sold, taxes that are saved now have to be paid back to the town.



Tax Relief Programs for the Elderly/Disabled

## **TOWN OF VERNON**

## Elderly and Totally Disabled Homeowner Programs





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## Elderly and Totally Disabled Homeowner Program Guidelines

- Applications for these tax relief programs are taken in the Assessor's Office from February 1, 2023 to May 15, 2023.
- The homeowner, or their spouse, has to have been 65 years old as of December 31, 2022, and must have been the owner (or have had life use) of the property on October 1, 2022.



- If you are Social Security Totally Disabled there is no age requirement for these tax relief programs. Proof of Social Security total disability will need to be provided to our office.
- When coming into the office to apply, you must bring proof of income for the calendar year 2022. This includes a signed copy of your federal income tax return and the SSA-1099 Social Security form. If you do not have to file an income tax return, please bring all documents provided for 2022 income (interest, dividends, pensions, etc).
- The qualifying income limits set by the State of CT for 2021 were \$38,100

for unmarried individuals and \$46,400 for married couples (2022 limits yet TBD as the state sends us updated income limits each year in the fall). Income is your adjusted gross income PLUS untaxed social security benefits.

 Taxpayers will need to reapply for these programs every other year. A reminder letter will be sent with updated information before the refiling date.

