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|  | department of human services  Housing Assistance Bureau  2100 Washington Blvd., 3rd Floor, Arlington, VA 22204  tel 703-228-1350 fax 703-228-1169 TTY 703-228-1398 [*www.arlingtonva.us*](http://www.arlingtonva.us) |

**2024 ARLINGTONCOUNTYREAL ESTATE TAX RELIEF APPLICATION**

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| **FILING DEADLINE - See back page for instructions and more information** |
| **The 2024 filing deadline is November 15, 2024.** Please file by March 31, 2024 to receive a timely adjusted bill.  **It is best to file *as early in the year as possible,* even if you do not have all the required documentation.**  You will be contacted by mail regarding any additional documentation needed to process your application.  Late applications may be accepted in certain hardship situations. Call 703-228-1350 for more information, if needed. |

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| **MINIMUM AGE OR DISABILITY REQUIREMENT** |
| **I am the homeowner/applicant and I am 🞏 Age 65 or over and/or 🞏 Permanently and Totally Disabled\***  *Check all that apply. If neither, you are not eligible for real estate tax relief and should not complete this application.*  \*See the Real Estate Tax Relief pamphlet for more information regarding the definition of permanently and totally disabled |

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| **APPLICANT INFORMATION** | | | | | | | | | |
| **Include applicant, spouse, co-owner(s) and relatives (by blood, adoption, or marriage) who lived in the home as of 12/31/2023 (or as of date purchased if purchased this year)** | | | | | | | | | |
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|  | | Male  Female | *APPLICANT* | |  |  | White Asian American Indian/Alaska Native Black/African American Native Hawaiian/other Pacific Islander  Hispanic or Latino Not Hispanic or Latino | | |
|  | | Male  Female | *SPOUSE*  (if living in the home) | |  |  | White Asian American Indian/Alaska Native Black/African American Native Hawaiian/other Pacific Islander  Hispanic or Latino Not Hispanic or Latino | | |
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| **Applicant**  **Address** |  | | | |  | | |  |  |
| *Street Address Only (No P.O. Box)* | | | | *City / Town* | | | *State* | *Zip Code* |
| **Applicant Contact Information** |  | | |  |  | | |  | |
| *Home Phone* | | | *Work Phone* | *Mobile Phone* | | | *E-mail Address* | |

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| **Contact**  **Person, other than above (optional)** |  |  |  |
| I give my permission to release information to the above-named individual. | Relationship | Contact Person Phone Number |

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| If you are eligible for a full exemption, you will receive one. If you do **not** receive a full exemption, or if you are eligible for a deferral only, you will owe taxes unless you choose to **defer** (postpone) payment of some or all of the balance. The deferred taxes will become due when the property changes ownership.  If you do not receive a full exemption, do you wish to defer payment of your taxes? Yes 🞏 No 🞏  If yes, what percentage of your taxes do you wish to defer? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_% |
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| Have all owners lived in and continue to live in this home since 12/31/23? (unless purchased this year) Yes 🞏 No 🞏  If purchased this year, have all owners lived in the home since purchased? Yes 🞏 No 🞏 |

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| **GROSS COMBINED INCOME** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Please check “yes or “no” to each question for each household member. If you check “yes” enter the total amount of annual income received in 2023. Answer all questions. For all “yes” answers, send proof. Submit a Federal Tax Return (including all schedules) for each member who filed. All information provided will be kept strictly confidential.** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Are you filing a 2023 Federal Tax Return? 🞏 YES 🞏 NO If yes, enclose a copy of your entire return.** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Gross Income** *(Use*  *Actual Amounts from*  *Calendar Year 2023)* | **Documentation**  **Required** | | **Applicant**  **Income** | | | | **Spouse/Co-owner/ Relative Income**  Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | | | | **Relative Income**  Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | | | | **Relative Income**  Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | | | |
| Employment / Tips | W-2, 1099 | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
| Social Security/SSI Benefits | 1099-SSA | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
| Railroad Retirement  Benefits | 1099-RRB | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
| Veterans Benefits | Prior Year  Benefit Letter | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
| Pensions & Annuities | 1099-R | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
| IRA Distributions | 1099-R | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
| Interest Income | 1099-INT/OID | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
| Dividend Income | 1099-DIV | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
| Unemployment Compensation | 1099-G | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
| Business Income | Federal Returns  and Schedules | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
| Capital Gains | Schedule D | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
| Trust Income | Schedule E | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
| Rents Received | Schedule E | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
| Alimony / Child Support Received. | Form 1040/ Court Order | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
| Public Assistance | Award Letter, Notice of Adjustment | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
| Monetary Gifts & Other Income recv’d (specify) | Statement from income source | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
| Inheritance | Letter from attorney, 1099s | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | | |  | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
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| Do you have a mortgage on this home? Yes 🞏 No 🞏 If yes, what is your monthly payment? $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Do you have a reverse mortgage on this home? Yes 🞏 No 🞏 (*for research purposes only, will not impact eligibility)*  If your assets exceeded $486,098 or $656,232, did you incur out of pocket medical/dental, emergency home repairs, and/or special condo assessment expenses for last year that exceeded $1,000 (for each category). Yes 🞏 No 🞏 If yes, please send copies of bills and proof of payment. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **TOTAL ASSETS** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Please check “yes or “no” to each question for all owners and owners’ spouses. If you check “yes” enter the account balance as of 12/31/23. If it is a joint account, list the total under one person and list “joint” for the other person. Answer all questions. For all “yes” answers, send proof. Assets of relatives are excluded** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Assets** (*Use account balance/ Actual*  *Value as of 12/31/2023)* | | **Documentation**  **Required** | | **Applicant**  **Assets** | | | | **Spouse Assets**  Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | | | | **Co-owner Assets**  Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | | | | **Co-owner Assets**  Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | | | |
| Checking and Money  Market Account | | All Pages of  12/23 bank statements  (Indicate the amount on the 12/23 statement) | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
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| Savings Account | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
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| Certificates of Deposit | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
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| IRA(s) and 401K(s) | | All Pages of  for 12/23 Account  Statements  (Indicate the amount on the 12/23 statement) | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
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| Brokerage, Annuity, or  Mutual Fund Accounts | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
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| Stocks or Savings  Bonds (Attach List) | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
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| Cash Value of Life  Insurance | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
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| Other Retirement Accounts | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
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| Business Accounts | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
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| Cash on Hand | | None required | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
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| Trusts | | Copy of entire trust | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
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| Automobiles, Boats, Trailers, Campers | | Copy of registration | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
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| Real Property (other than the home you live in) | | Assessment/mortgage statement | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
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| Other Miscellaneous Assets (specify). Include any property/assets outside of U.S. (assessments, financial statements) | | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No |  | | | 🞏 🞏  Yes No | |  | |
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| I hereby request Real Estate Tax Relief and certify that all statements are true and correct for myself and all household members. I understand that if I give false information or withhold information, I may be prosecuted. My/our signature(s) below authorizes Staff to obtain verification or contact any individual/organization necessary to establish my/our eligibility for Real Estate Tax Relief. I/we also understand that failure to cooperate with any review of my/our eligibility may cause the application to be denied. All information is kept confidential.  Applicant Signature **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** Date **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** Spouse/Second Owner Signature **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  (if living in the home)  Completed on Behalf of Applicant by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

**SEE BACK PAGE FOR INSTRUCTIONS AND MORE INFORMATION →**

**Qualifications for Real Estate Tax Relief**

To qualify for Real Estate Tax Relief ALL following qualifications must be met. If any qualification is not met, the applicant may be ineligible for Real Estate Tax Relief.

* All owners(s) of the home, excluding the spouse, must be at least age 65 and/or permanently and totally disabled, and All owners must live in the home – see next bullet
* The property must be occupied as the *Full Time Sole dwelling* except when the owner(s) resides in a hospital, assisted living facility, or nursing home. This owner would still be considered a household member however the home may not be rented. Owners cannot be away from the home for more than 90 days, unless they are in the hospital, assisted living facility, or a nursing home.
* Household members for Real Estate Tax Relief purposes include all owners residing in the home, (as well as owners who reside in hospitals, nursing homes, or assisted living facility) and individuals related to the owner(s) and their relatives. Non-relatives living in the home are not considered household members for real estate tax relief purposes.
* Gross combined income includes the gross income, both earned and unearned, from all sources for all related household members. Disability income for the disabled owner(s) and owner(s) disabled spouse is excluded from the income determination and up to $10,000 of income for each related household member is excluded (this exclusion does not apply to the owner or owner’s spouse).
* Maximum asset level as of December 31, 2023, cannot be more than $486,098 for an exemption and $656,232 for a deferral. Assets include the balance in all bank/financial accounts, stocks or bonds, other real property (assessed value minus loan balance to bank or mortgage company), cars/boats/trucks/campers (minus loan balance to bank or dealership), and any assets outside of the United States, for ALL owners and owners’ spouses. Related household members’ assets are excluded from the asset determination. The value of this home is excluded as an asset. See next bullet.
* The owner and owner’s spouse’s unreimbursed; medical/dental expenses, emergency home repairs for this home, and condo association individual special assessments for this home can be used to reduce your total asset value. The unreimbursed expenses must be verified, must be for the preceding calendar year, and must exceed $1,000 (for each category).
* Please review the **Real Estate Tax Relief pamphlet** for more information and requirements.

**Instructions**

* Please complete this application with the same accuracy as you would your income tax return.
* Include copies of supporting income and asset documentation as of December 31, 2023. Include all 1099s, W-2s, and a copy of a 2023 Federal Tax return and supporting schedules for all related household members who filed as well as accounts from all financial institutions for all owners and owners’ spouses.
* New applicants must include a copy of a driver’s license, birth certificate, or passport for proof of age
* Send proof, such as an award letter from Social Security, the Veteran’s Administration, or 1099’s with a distribution code of (3) if a disabled owner and/or owner’s disabled spouse receives disability income.
* Send proof if an owner is in a hospital, nursing home, or assisted living facility.
* If your home and/or assets are held in a Trust, please provide the most current copy of your entire Trust document and amendments, including the Schedule of Assets, if not previously provided.
* Be sure to sign and date your application. All owners/spouses should also sign it.
* Submit your application as early as possible, even if you do not have all the required documentation. You will be contacted by mail if additional documentation is needed.
* The 2024 application filing deadline is **November 15, 2024.** *It is best to apply* ***as early as possible***. Please submit your application by *March 31st to receive a timely adjusted bill*.
* If an application is denied, the applicant(s) may appeal the decision by contacting the Real Estate Tax Relief program supervisor in writing within 30 days of the date of the denial letter explaining the reason for the appeal. The supervisor will then contact the applicant(s) within ten business days of the receipt of the appeal.
* Please review the **Real Estate Tax Relief pamphlet** for more information and requirements.