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Dear Property Owner,

Thank you for your inquiry into the Disabled Veteran Property Tax Credit. In order to be eligible for this credit, the veteran must have a permanent service-connected disability rating of 50% or higher. Additionally, the property which you are applying for must be your principal residence, eligible for a homestead credit and have an assessed value of \$600,000 or less. We have enclosed the form required for the application of this credit.

To apply, the Disabled Veteran or their surviving spouse must provide the following prior to April 1st:

- Completed APPLICATION FOR PROPERTY TAX CREDIT FOR DWELLING OWNED BY DISABLED VETERANS OR THEIR SURVIVING SPOUSE.
- Please attach to the application **COPIES** of the following acceptable proof of applicable disability:
 - **REQUIRED:**
 - Applicants Valid Maryland Driver's License or Maryland State Issued ID
 - Honorable Discharge Certificate
 - Veteran Administration Rating Letter dated within 6 months of application – Used to apply for benefits such as state or local property tax relief
 - Marriage Certificate (SURVIVING SPOUSE ONLY)
 - Death Certificate of Disabled Veteran (SURVIVING SPOUSE ONLY)

AND

- **ONE** OF THE FOLLOWING:
 - DD Form 214 (or DD Form 215 Correction)
 - WD Form 53-55
 - DD Form 256 (Reservists)
 - NGB Form 22 or NGB Form 22-a (National Guard or Air National Guard)
 - DD Form 2 or Next Generation US ID Card

Return the completed forms to Harford County Treasury, PO Box 609, Bel Air, Maryland 21014. Forms can also be dropped off at 220 S. Main Street, Bel Air, Maryland 21014 during regular office hours or in one of the two after hour drop boxes located outside of the building. Once the approval has been granted, the 20% credit will be applied to your July 1, 2026, tax bill. The Treasury Department will advise you if the application is approved/rejected or if further information is required. If you do not receive any correspondence from us within 4-6 weeks, please call our office.

Sincerely,

Robert S. Sandlass, Jr.
Treasurer

Initial eligibility for credit will be verified when the required documentation is received.

Additional information can be viewed on the County website:

<http://www.harfordcountymd.gov/3466/Real-Property-Tax-Credit-Information>

Should you have further questions, please contact us at 410-638-3450

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**Harford County
Department of Treasury
220 S. Main Street
Bel Air, Maryland 21014
Telephone: 410-638-3450
www.harfordcountymd.gov**

**APPLICATION FOR PROPERTY TAX CREDIT
FOR DWELLING OWNED BY DISABLED VETERANS OR THEIR SURVIVING SPOUSE**

The Harford County Government Code, Section 123-46.5, permits a property tax credit to be granted, upon application, on the principal dwelling owned by a Disabled Veteran or their surviving spouse with an assessed value of \$600,000 or less. Following approval of an application, the amount of the credit is 20% of the County Property Tax after all other credits have been applied and is renewable for a period of twenty (20) years. The credit cannot be greater than the tax bill. **To be applied to the upcoming tax year, applications must be received by April 1st.**

Property Number (located on tax bill) A - _____

Property Address _____

Name _____ Date of Birth _____
(As it appears on your tax bill)

Daytime Telephone Number _____ E-mail address _____

Mailing Address, if different from above (attach explanation) _____

Check One Box - I am a:

- Disabled Veteran with a permanent service-connected disability rating of 50% or higher.
- Surviving Spouse of a Disabled Veteran with a permanent service-connected disability rating of 50% or higher and **not remarried**.
- Surviving Spouse of a Uniformed Service Member who was killed in action and **not remarried**.

I understand that I will be required to provide the Harford County Department of Treasury the following proof of eligibility for this tax credit.

Please attach to this application a copy of (required):

- Applicants Valid Maryland Driver's License or Maryland State-Issued ID
- Honorable Discharge Certificate
- Veteran Administration Rating Letter dated within 6 months of application – Used to apply for benefits such as state or local property tax relief (A copy of this letter can be obtained through <https://www.va.gov/records/download-va-letters/>).
- Marriage Certificate (SURVIVING SPOUSE ONLY)
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AND please attach to this application a copy of ONE of the following:

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I, _____, the undersign, hereby declare, and affirm, under penalty of perjury that the information stated above, including all associated documents provided in support of this application for a tax credit are true, accurate, complete, and correct, to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Signature: _____

Initial eligibility for credit will be verified when the required documentation is received. Final approval of credit will be completed in June with the receipt and review of the July billing assessment amount.