

Jackson County Senior Property Tax Credit Program Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Senior Property Tax Credit Program?

This is a Jackson County program, authorized by state law, that freezes an eligible senior's real property tax bill.

When will the tax credit take effect?

Your tax amount will freeze at the 2024 amount, so the change will first be reflected on your 2025 tax bill.

Who is eligible?

A Jackson County resident who:

1. Is 62 years of age or older.
2. Is the property owner, or has a legal or equitable interest in the home
3. Is liable for the payment of real property taxes on the home
4. Occupies the property as their only primary residence

What documents are required to prove eligibility?

1. Proof of Jackson County Primary Residency. Examples: Driver's license, voter registration card, utility bill, etc.
2. Proof of age 62 or older. Examples: any government issued I.D. with date of birth including driver's license, military I.D., birth certificate, etc.
3. Proof of Interest. If the applicant is not on the deed, documentation proving legal interest in the property is required. Examples: Trust or operation agreement

How do I obtain and submit the application?

Applications are available online, by emailing a request to SeniorApplication@jacksongov.org, or obtained in person at either Collection Department office location:

Jackson County Courthouse: 415 E. 12th St. Suite #100, Kansas City, MO 64106
Historic Truman Courthouse: 112 W. Lexington Ave. Suite #114, Independence, MO 64050.

Once complete, the application form and supporting documentation may be emailed to SeniorApplication@jacksongov.org. Application materials can also be mailed, submitted in person, or placed in exterior drop boxes at either Collection Department office location:

Jackson County Courthouse: 415 E. 12th St. Suite #100, Kansas City, MO 64106
Historic Truman Courthouse: 112 W. Lexington Ave. Suite #114, Independence, MO 64050.

When is the deadline for the initial application?

December 31, 2024

Do I have to renew my application to continue participation in the program?

No, but the Department of Collection does reserve the right to do periodic audits and reviews of continued eligibility. Failure to provide the requested documentation will remove the taxpayer from the program.

How do I know if my application has been approved?

Applicants will be notified of approval by email or by mail.

How can I pay my tax bill while participating in this program?

Program participants can pay their tax bill [online, by phone, by mail, or in person](#).

What if I sell my property and buy a new home?

A change in ownership or property would require a new application to qualify for the program and set a new freeze on the tax bill.

Can I still participate in the Senior Quad Payment Program if I participate in the Senior Property Tax Credit Program?

Yes. If eligible for both programs, an individual may participate in both programs.

Do I need my Parcel Number to apply?

No, it is not mandatory, but it will be helpful for processing and will expedite the approval process.

Further questions may be directed to: SeniorApplication@jacksongov.org

Go to:

<https://www.jacksongov.org/Government/Departments/Collection/Senior-Property-Tax-Credit-Program>

