

NEW YORK STATE SENATOR Charles J. Fuschillo Jr.

Senator Fuschillo Informs Nassau Residents That Property Tax Exemption Application Deadline Extended Until April 1st

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Senator Charles J. Fuschillo, Jr. (R-Merrick) is informing Nassau residents that Nassau County has extended the deadline to apply for New York State's School Tax Relief (STAR) program and other property tax exemptions in Nassau County. According to Nassau County, residents now have until April 1st to apply for the property tax exemptions.

The STAR program works in two parts:

• Basic STAR is available to all New Yorkers who own and live in their own home, condominium, or cooperative apartment whose adjusted gross income does not exceed \$500,000, regardless of age.

• Enhanced STAR is available to senior citizen property owners whose adjusted gross income is under \$79,050 (less any taxable IRA distributions) and who will be age 65 or older by December 31, 2013. If the property is owned by a husband and wife, or by siblings, only one of them must be at least 65 years old to qualify for this exemption.

Residents who already receive the Basic STAR exemption or who participate in the Enhanced STAR Income Verification Program do not need to re-file. Residents who moved to a new house and had the STAR exemption at their previous address need to file a new application. The STAR exemption is not automatically transferred to a new address.

In addition, Nassau County also offers other property tax exemptions, including:

- Senior citizens
- Veterans
- Cold War veterans
- Volunteer firefighters or ambulance service workers
- Persons with disabilities & limited incomes
- First-time homebuyers of newly constructed homes

Residents who would like more information or applications for any of these property tax exemptions can visit the Department of Assessment's website by clicking here.