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City of Boston
Age Strong Commission
Mayor Martin J. Walsh

Dear Boston Homeowner,

At the City of Boston's Age Strong Commission, we know how important it is to find ways to lower your annual costs. In the past, you have expressed interest in ways to reduce your property tax bill. We partner with the City's Assessing Department to offer qualified senior homeowners the opportunity to volunteer their skills and knowledge in one of the City's offices, community centers or public schools in exchange for a property tax reduction on their tax bill per fiscal year.

The maximum Property Tax Work-Off Program credit for 2021 will be $1,500. **This year, we are excited to announce that the hourly rate has been increased to $13.50 per hour.** As a result, qualified participants can volunteer up to 111 hours in exchange for a property tax reduction of up to $1,500 per fiscal year. The credit amount is calculated according to an hourly rate of $13.50 times the number of hours volunteered. We would like to invite you to apply to the program and take advantage of this great resource. Please read the requirements below to see if you qualify.

> *"It's been a big help to lower my property taxes through this program, and I've enjoyed the opportunity to contribute my skills to the city in the process!"*
>
> *-Boston resident and participant in the Property Tax Work-Off Program*

Eligibility Requirements:

- Age 60 or over
- Gross income $40,000 or under for single, $55,000 for married
- Own and occupy the property for a minimum of 3 years
- Own and occupy the property as a principal residence

We have enclosed a Property Tax Work-off Program application. Applications can be submitted now through the deadline of July 1, 2021. Participants can begin volunteering as soon as the application process is complete and hours must be completed by November 5, 2021. Please contact the Age Strong Commission at 617-635-4366, visit our website at boston.gov/age-strong/senior-property-tax-work or email lisa.martins@boston.gov for more information.

Sincerely,

Emily K. Shea
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