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PROPERTY TAX RELIEF FOR SENIORS, DISABLED ADULTS, & DISABLED VETERANS

Senior Citizens/ Disabled

North Carolina excludes from property taxes a portion of the appraised value of a permanent residence owned and occupied by North Carolina residents aged 65 or older or totally and permanently disabled whose income does not exceed \$28,100 annually. The amount of the appraised value of the residence that may be excluded from taxation is the greater of twenty thousand dollars (\$25,000) or fifty percent (50%) of the appraised value of the residence. Income is defined as monies received from every source including Social Security benefits, retirement payments, proceeds from insurance policies, interest, dividends, etc. It does not include gifts or inheritances from a spouse or immediate family member.

To apply for this exclusion, you need to submit an application to the Forsyth County Tax Administration Office (applications can be downloaded at <http://www.co.forsyth.nc.us/tax/exemptions.aspx>). To apply for this exclusion due to disability, you must attach a certificate that certifies that you are totally and permanently disabled from a physician licensed as a medical doctor in North Carolina or a governmental agency authorized to make such a determination. The deadline for submitting applications is June 1st. You will receive written notification if the application is denied.

If you have previously received this exclusion, you do not need to apply again unless you have changed your permanent residence. If you have received the exclusion, and your income now exceeds \$28,100, you must notify the Forsyth County Tax Administration Office. If you received the exclusion because you were totally and permanently disabled and you are no longer totally and permanently disabled, you must also notify their office.

If the person receiving the exclusion has died, the person required by law to list the property must notify our office. Failure to make any of the notices required by law before June 1st will result in penalties and interest.

Disabled Veterans

North Carolina excludes from property taxes \$45,000 of the appraised value of a permanent residence owned and occupied by an honorably discharged disabled veteran or the unmarried surviving spouse of an honorably disabled veteran. A disabled Veteran is a Veteran who either (1) has 100% permanent total disability that is service-connected or (2) received benefits for specially adapted housing under 38 U.S.C. 2101.

For further information regarding property tax relief, contact the Forsyth County Tax Assessor's Office at 336.703.2300.

This above information was taken from the Forsyth County's Tax Administration website January, 2013:
<http://www.co.forsyth.nc.us/tax/exemptions.aspx>

For information about other tax matters, contact the North Carolina Department of Revenue or the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

- North Carolina Department of Revenue (state tax information): 336.896.7024
- IRS Winston-Salem Office (federal tax information): 336.728-4039
- IRS (federal tax information): 1.800.829.1040

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