

PHILADELPHIA SENIOR CITIZEN

LOW INCOME SPECIAL REAL ESTATE TAX PROVISIONS

The Philadelphia Department of Revenue has been notified by the Board of Revision of Taxes that the taxable assessed value of your property has been increased for 2006. You may be eligible to have your 2006 real estate tax due remain the same as the amount that was due in 2005. Read the following eligibility requirements carefully to determine whether you qualify

2005 PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS SHOULD NOT FILE THIS APPLICATION

Program Eligibility Requirements

Residence Requirement: you must occupy the property as your **primary** residence.

Age Requirement: you or your spouse must be 65 years of age or older, or you must be over 50 years of age and your deceased spouse was at least 65 years old at the time of his (her) death. **You must send proof of age with your application.** Examples are a Social Security award letter, driver's license or birth certificate. Any document that clearly shows a date of birth will be accepted for consideration. **Do not send original documents;** only photocopies will be accepted.

Income Requirement: for a single person, your total 2004 income must have been **\$14,500** or less; for a married couple, your total 2004 income must have been **\$17,700** or less.

If you meet **all** of these eligibility requirements, complete the enclosed application and return it to:

Philadelphia Department of Revenue
PO Box 53190
Philadelphia PA 19105

For timely processing, complete and return this application by October 15, 2005.

For approved applicants, your savings will be reflected on your 2006 Real Estate Tax bill. If your application is denied, you will be notified by mail.

This program is separate from and does not replace the Real Estate Tax Installment Plan program. You will receive your 2006 Real Estate Tax Installment Plan application with your 2006 Real Estate Tax bill.

If you have any questions pertaining to the Philadelphia Senior Citizen Low Income Special Tax Provision program, please call 215-686-6442 or send e-mail to revenue@phila.gov

