



**WEBER COUNTY**

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## WEBER COUNTY TAX RELIEF PROGRAMS

Weber County property owners may be eligible for one or more of the tax relief programs listed below. Please refer to each of the different programs for specific information, qualifications and required documentation needed to process your application. Application forms are available at the Weber County Clerk/Auditor's Office or may be accessed over the internet. ([www.co.weber.ut.us](http://www.co.weber.ut.us)) If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Clerk/Auditor's Office at (801) 399-8400.

### **1 Disabled Veterans Program**

#### Eligibility

- Must be a veteran having a service connected disability, or the unmarried surviving spouse or minor orphan child of a veteran who is disabled or who died in the line of duty.
- An unmarried spouse or minor orphan must submit an Affidavit and letter from the VA stating your relation to the veteran and the disability rating.
- Disability must be 10% or greater.
- Must be recorded owner of the property as of January 1, 2010.
- For real property, (home) must be your primary residence.
- Must include or have on record with our office documentation from the military showing your percentage of disability.
- Must file an application with the County Clerk/Auditor by December 31, 2010. \*
- If the property is held in a Trust, a copy of the Trust Agreement must be provided.
- For personal property, the personal property tax notice or vehicle registration must be presented to the Clerk/Auditor's Office for processing.

#### Benefit

- Up to \$228,931 in taxable value of real and/or personal property is exempt from taxation.
- Amount of exemption varies based on the percentage of service connected disability.

### **2 Blind Program**

#### Eligibility

- Must be considered legally blind or be the unmarried surviving spouse or minor orphan of a deceased blind person.
- An unmarried spouse or minor orphan must submit an Affidavit and letter from the VA stating your relation to the veteran and the disability rating.
- First time applicants must submit a statement signed by a licensed ophthalmologist.
- Must be recorded owner of the property as of January 1, 2010.
- For real property, (home) must be your primary residence.
- Must file an application with the County Clerk/Auditor by December 31, 2010. \*
- If the property is held in a Trust, a copy of the Trust Agreement must be provided.
- For personal property, the personal property tax notice or vehicle registration must be presented to the Clerk/Auditor's Office for processing.

#### Benefit

- Up to \$11,500 in taxable value of real and/or personal property is exempt from taxation.

### 3 Circuit Breaker Program for Homeowners & Renters

#### Eligibility

- Must own and occupy the property as of January 1, 2010.
- Must live in the State of Utah for the entire calendar year of 2010.
- Must be age 66 prior to Dec. 31, 2010 **OR** be an unmarried widow or widower of any age.
- 2009 total gross household income cannot exceed \$ 28,785.00. \*\*
- Applicant must not be claimed as a personal exemption on any other individual's tax return.
- Must file an application with the County Clerk/Auditor by December 31, 2010. \*
- Must attach all financial information requested.

#### Documents Required

- A 2010 Tax Relief application. Be sure to complete all applicable sections and sign.
- A copy of the 2009 annual statement of benefits (form SSA-1099) for each household member who received Social Security.
- A complete copy of your 2009 Federal Income Tax Return (form 1040 or 1040A), including all attachments and schedules (if you filed a 2009 return).
- If you did not file a 2009 Federal Income Tax Return, please send copies of all 1099 forms that were received for social security, pensions, bank interest, dividends and any other payments or income received by all members residing in the household for 2009.
- If the property is held in a Trust, a copy of the Trust Agreement must be provided.
- If under age 66, a copy of spouse's death certificate must be provided..

#### Benefit

(For Homeowner)

- A 20% reduction of value and a credit of up to \$ 853.00 against taxes due on an applicant's primary residence. (Amount of credit depends on income.)

(For Renter)

- You may qualify for a refund of a portion of rent paid in 2009. (This includes space rental for mobile home owners) Please contact our office for a rental refund application.

### 4 Abatement Programs for Extreme Financial Hardship or Medical Disability

#### Eligibility

- Must own and occupy the property as of January 1, 2010.
- Must reside in the residence for which relief is requested for at least 10 months in 2010.
- 2009 total gross household income cannot exceed \$ 28,785.00.
- Must file an application with the County Clerk/Auditor by December 31, 2010. \*
- Must attach all financial information requested. (Refer to 'Circuit Breaker Documents Required')
- If the property is held in a Trust, a copy of the Trust Agreement must be provided.

#### For Extreme Hardship

- Must include a letter to the Commission detailing the reasons for financial hardship. \*

#### For Medical Disability

- Must include a letter from a physician stating the nature and extent of the disability. \*

#### Abatement Benefit

- A credit of up to \$ 853.00 but not more than 50% of current year tax due after deduction of any other applicable property tax assistance.

\* Forms may be obtained online at [www.co.weber.ut.us](http://www.co.weber.ut.us) or call (801) 399-8400

\*\* Amount is tentative until approved by the Utah State Legislature in the 2010 session