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## Property Tax Relief Programs Available to Seniors and Persons with Disabilities in Needham

**NEEDHAM** - The Town of Needham has announced its 19th annual Elderly and Disabled Taxation Fund and Property Tax Assistance Fund Program to provide property tax relief to eligible residents. Seniors residing in Needham may be eligible to receive a grant to be applied to their property taxes if they meet the qualifications for low-income, elderly or disabled as defined by Massachusetts law. Qualifications vary, but they generally relate to age, ownership, residency, disability, income, and assets. The Elderly and Disabled Taxation Fund was established in 2005 and is funded by voluntary contributions from Needham taxpayers. In 2009 the Property Tax Assistance Fund was created by Town Meeting and is funded through an annual appropriation.

"This program is aimed at helping to ease the financial burden on our seniors and persons with disabilities," said Marianne Cooley, Chair of the Needham Select Board. "Our hope is that this property tax relief provides these important members of our community with increased financial stability and peace of mind."

To qualify for the grants to be issued this year, completed applications must be received by the Town of Needham Assessor's office on or before April 16, 2024. Application forms are available on the Town's website at www.needhamma.gov/propertytaxrelief. They are also available at the Assessor's Office and the Treasurer/Tax Collector's office in Town Hall at 1471 Highland Avenue, at the Center at the Heights at 300 Hillisde Avenue, and at the Needham Public Library at 1139 Highland Avenue. For questions about the Town's tax relief program, please contact the Assessor's office at 781-455-7500 extension 238.