

King County Property Tax Exemption & Deferral Programs

King County offers two important programs that can help eligible homeowners stay in their homes and reduce financial strain caused by rising property taxes.

Programs

1. Property Tax Exemption Program

This program reduces or eliminates annual property taxes based on income, home value, and age/disability status.

Who May Qualify

- Age 61+, OR unable to work due to a disability, OR receiving a VA disability rating of 80%+
- Own and occupy the home as their primary residence
- Meet the county's household income limits

What It Does

- Limits how much of the home's value is taxed, helping protect people from rising property taxes.
- Reduces or removes property taxes on the home
- May lower certain voter-approved levies

2. Property Tax Deferral Program

This program allows you to defer (delay) paying your property taxes. The State of Washington pays the taxes on your behalf, and the amount becomes a lien on the property, repaid later.

Who May Qualify

- Age 60+ or disability status
- Own and live in the home
- Meet income and equity requirements

How to Apply in King County

1. Download the Application Forms

Applications are available on the King County Assessor's Office's Office website, taxrelief.kingcounty.gov. Visit the webpage or scan the QR code on this page to apply.

2. Complete the Forms

Gather documents such as:

- Proof of identity
- Income documents (Social Security, pensions, wages, etc.)
- Disability/VA documentation if applicable

3. Submit the Application

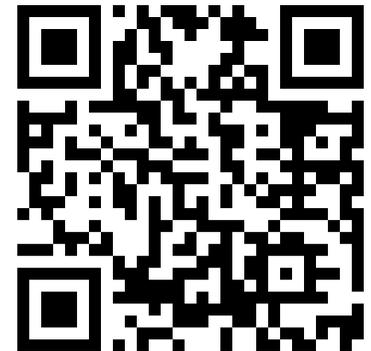
King County accepts applications online, through their portal.

Applications can also be mailed or delivered to:

King County Assessor's Office, Property Tax Relief Program
500 Fourth Avenue, Room 708
Seattle, WA 98104

4. Keep Copies

Always keep a copy of your application and any documents submitted.



Need Help?

- **KingCounty Assessor's Office:** visit taxrelief.kingcounty.gov or call (206) 296-3920
- **Washington HomeownershipResourceCenter:** visit homeownership-wa.org or call (877) 894-4663