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Date: November 19, 2018
 To: Assessors and Municipal Agents
 From: Patrick Sullivan, Fiscal Administrative Officer, IGP
 Subject: QUALIFYING INCOME-PROGRAM YEAR 2018

The following tables show the levels of qualifying income for the Elderly and Totally Disabled Tax Relief Program applications to be filed in the year 2019. These levels are to be used for the 2018 Grand List Homeowner and Renter Rebate applications, 2019 Grand List Additional Veteran's applications and may be used for any local option programs.

PLEASE NOTE: Homeowner applications that were taken for the 2017 G/L (RENEWALS) are calculated for the 2018 G/L using the 2017 qualifying income schedule, NOT the schedule below.

Homeowners
Income and Grant Information –2018 Benefit Year
 Filing period February 1 - May 15, 2019

Income		Tax Credit %		Tax Credit Maximum		Tax Credit Minimum	
Over	To	Married	Unmarried	Married	Unmarried	Married	Unmarried
\$-0-	\$18,100	50%	40%	\$1,250	\$1,000	\$400	\$350
18,100	24,200	40	30	1,000	750	350	250
24,200	30,200	30	20	750	500	250	150
30,200	36,000	20	10	500	250	150	150
36,000	43,900	10	-0-	250	-0-	150	-0-

Renters
Income and Grant Information – 2018 Benefit Year
 Filing period April 1 – October 1, 2019

Income		Maximum Credit		Minimum Credit	
Over	To	Married/Single		Married/Single	
\$-0-	\$ 18,100	\$900	\$700	\$400	\$300
18,100	24,200	700	500	300	200
24,200	30,200	500	250	200	100
30,200	36,000	250	150	100	50
36,000	43,900	150	-0-	50	-0-

(Over)

For the 2018 benefit year there are two different levels of Medicare premiums. The Social Security Act protects most people from having a decrease in their Social Security benefits from one year to the next because of an increase in the Part B premium. This means some people who have the Part B premium deducted from their Social Security benefit check were protected and would have paid \$130.00 each month, on average. The actual amount paid will vary by individual.

People who started Part B beginning January 1, 2018 or later (new enrollees) were not protected and paid the standard premium of \$134.00.

Annual Medicare premiums for the year 2018 therefore, were \$1,560.00 for a single applicant and \$3,120.00 for married applicants paying the average \$130.00 monthly premium or \$1,608.00 for a single applicant and \$3,216.00 for married applicants paying the \$134.00 monthly premium. WE CONTINUE TO REQUIRE A FORM SSA1099, OR IT'S EQUIVALENT FOR EACH HOMEOWNER AND RENTER APPLICANT TO BE PROVIDED AT THE INTAKE SITE.

The Additional Veterans' exemption for income qualifying applicants for the 2019 G/L will be based on the following income maximums: The maximum for single applicants will be \$36,000.00; the maximum for married applicants will be \$43,900.00. Also, if applicable in your municipality, the LOCAL OPTION exemption for the Totally Disabled, Blind and Veterans' programs may use these income maximums.

100% V. A. determined Disabled Veterans will continue to use \$18,000.00 for single applicants and \$21,000.00 for married applicants (adjusted gross income only; Social Security Income is not considered).

The FREEZE program income limit remains at \$6,000.00; adjusted gross income only. Social Security Income, United States Postal System and Railroad Retirement pensions are not counted as income towards the income limit for the FREEZE program.

If there are any questions regarding any of the income limits stated above, please call me at (860) 418-6406 or e-mail at patrick.j.sullivan@ct.gov

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