

Town of Boxborough



**Council on Aging
29 Middle Rd, Boxborough, MA**

FY 26 Senior Property Tax Work-Off Abatement Application

The Senior Tax Work-Off Program (MGL Chapter 59 Section 5K) allows eligible seniors to work in Town Departments and receive, in exchange, an abatement on their property taxes. Work is paid at the current minimum wage and the "wages" earned are applied to property taxes as an abatement. Participants may work and be credited with up to \$1,500. Any hours over that are considered volunteer hours.

To be eligible for this program, a property taxpayer must be over the age of 60 by the July 1st preceding the start of the program year and must reside at the location to which the abatement is being applied. A taxpayer must have resided in Boxborough for at least one year. All owners of a parcel may receive abatements under the program if they otherwise qualify. The FY 25 program begins 11/1/25 and will end on 10/31/26.

The amount of your property tax abatement is considered income and you will receive a W2 from the Town. Earnings are exempt from state taxes only. Earnings are subject to federal and Medicare tax withholdings and are also subject to OBRA if participant is not receiving a pension from either Middlesex County Retirement or Massachusetts Teachers Retirement. A CORI check will also be required to participate in the program.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: OCTOBER 31, 2025
PARTICIPANTS MUST APPLY EACH YEAR**

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

Is this your primary residence? _____ Date of Birth: _____

Names(s) on the homeowner's Deed: _____

Telephone Number: _____ Email: _____

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What week days are you available to work? _____

What time of day are you available to work? _____

What tasks might you be able to help with? Please check all that apply below.

Accounting _____ Bulk Mailings _____ Buzz Editing _____ Buzz Writing _____ Copying _____

Data Entry _____ Escorting Field Trips _____ Filing _____ Library Checking In/Shelving Books _____

Microsoft Word Documents _____ Spreadsheets _____ Reception/Telephone _____

Research _____ Setup/Clean Up Events _____ Technology Assistance _____

If you participated in the program before, what departments did you work for and briefly describe duties?

It would be helpful if we knew more about your prior work experience, volunteer work or other relevant experience. For instance, were you a teacher, an editor, engineer, accountant, etc.? Do you know how to use Excel, Word, PowerPoint or other programs? Do you have good internet research skills? Do you have strong organizational skills? Attention to detail? Please list below any additional information about yourself that may be helpful for a Town department to know.
