IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN.....EXEMPTION RENEWAL

Every taxing jurisdiction (County, Towns, Villages and Schools) offers exemptions to reduce the amount of taxes a property owner must pay. These exemptions can be mandated by the state, or offered by choice for each taxing jurisdiction, which have been passed by some type of legislation. Therefore, each town, village and/or school does NOT offer the same exemptions, or has the same eligibility requirements.

ALL TOWNS HAVE THE SAME DEADLINE......MARCH 1ST of EACH YEAR and ALL CITIES HAVE THE SAME DEADLINE......DECEMBER 1ST of EACH YEAR.

Some of the most common exemptions are:

S.T.A.R - (only applies to school taxes and EVERY school offers this exemption)

Must own property and be the primary residence. Income limit of \$500,000. No age limit.

Enhanced S.T.A.R (only applies to school taxes and EVERY school offers this exemption)

Must own property and be the primary residence. Income limit of \$86,300. Over the age of 65

Veterans (can apply to County, Town, Village and School – not all offer this exemption)

Must have served on active duty for at least 1 day (not training). DD 214 provides proof

Low income disability (can apply to County, Town, Village and School – not all offer this exemption)

Must own property and be the primary residence. Income limit varies. No age limit.

Low income senior (can apply to County, Town, Village and School - offered by all jurisdictions)

Must own property and be the primary residence. Income limit varies. Over the age of 65

Agriculture (applies to County, Town, Village and School)

Property must be farmed for profit. Income must exceed \$10,000 average over 2 years.

This information is meant to be a guide. If you believe you may be eligible for any of them, please visit your local Assessor's office for specific information.

The S.T.A.R. and the Enhanced S.T.A.R. are now administered by New York State.

If you started receiving these exemptions pre 2015, the Assessor's Office is your point of contact.

If you applied for the exemption after 2015, New York State converted the program to a rebate check program and you will not see an exemption on your taxes. All inquiries MUST be made to NYS.

If you do NOT renew your exemptions, you WILL lose them!