

This program provides a rebate to senior homeowners to cover the year-to-year increases in the education portion of their property taxes.

To qualify

You must:

- be 65 years of age or older
- be an Alberta resident
- own a residential property in Alberta
- have had an increase in the education portion of your property taxes

Phone

Alberta Supports Contact Centre
Toll-free 1-877-644-9992
or 780-644-9992 in the
Edmonton area

Deaf or hard of hearing with TDD/TTY units:

Toll-free in Alberta:
1-800-232 7215
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Edmonton area

Web

www.seniors.alberta.ca

Mail

Education Property
Tax Assistance for
Seniors Program
PO Box 3100
Edmonton, Alberta T5J 4W3



Education Property Tax Assistance for Seniors Program

Information about who qualifies
and how to apply

Amount of rebate

The Education Property Tax Assistance for Seniors program covers the increase in the education portion of seniors' property taxes.

The program provides a rebate per senior household to cover increases in the education portion of property tax over the senior's base year amount.

The base year is the latter of the following:

- 2004
- year prior to you turning 65, if you turned 65 after 2004
- if you move, your base year will be set using your first full calendar year's property tax notice after the move or completion of a new home.

Examples:

- If your 2004 education property tax amount was \$800, and your 2011 amount is \$860, your rebate is \$60 ($\$860 - \$800 = \$60$).
- If you turned 65 in 2011, your base year will be 2010. If your 2010 education tax amount was \$820, and your 2011 amount is \$840, your rebate is \$20. ($\$840 - \$820 = \$20$)
- If you moved in 2010 and your first full year's property tax notice is in 2011, this will be your base year. Your eligibility for a rebate will be determined in 2012.

Two homeowners

If one or more seniors are owners of the same property, the rebate is only paid to one senior.

More than one home

Eligible seniors who own more than one property will receive only one rebate.

The 2011 rebates will be mailed starting in June.

To apply

The Education Property Tax Assistance for Seniors program has partnered with some municipalities to automatically enrol seniors in this program. If the program cannot automatically enrol you through this process, you will be sent a letter requesting your property tax information.

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