

TOWNSHIP OF METAMORA

POVERTY TAX EXEMPTION APPLICATION

The undersigned property owner and resident of Metamora Township hereby applies for a poverty exemption in whole or in part from property taxation on the applicant's homestead or qualified agricultural property.

Name of applicant(s): _____

Property Code Number: _____

Property Address: _____

Phone () _____

Marital status: _____

Age of applicant: _____

Age of spouse: _____

Number of dependents: _____

Age of dependents: _____

Have you applied for Homestead Property Tax Credit this year? _____

How much was your Property Tax Credit? _____

REAL ESTATE:

Is home paid for? _____

Unpaid balance \$ _____

Name of mortgage company _____

Monthly Payment \$ _____

How long have you lived at this residence? _____

Do you own, or are you buying, any other property? _____

If so, list below:

PROPERTY ADDRESS	NAME OF OWNER	ASSESSED VALUE
_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	\$ _____

Income earned from above property \$ _____

Name of employer _____

Address _____

Phone number () _____

List all income from salaries, Social Security, rents, pensions, unemployment compensation, disability, governmental pensions, workers' compensation, dividends, claims and judgments from lawsuits, alimony, child support and any other source.

HOUSEHOLD INCOME DECLARATION

SOURCE	AMOUNT PER MONTH	AMOUNT PER YEAR
Wages/Salaries/Tips	\$ _____	\$ _____
Social Security/SSI	\$ _____	\$ _____
Pension or Retirement	\$ _____	\$ _____
Interest and/or Dividends	\$ _____	\$ _____
Rent/Business or Royalty Income	\$ _____	\$ _____
Disability Payments	\$ _____	\$ _____
ADC	\$ _____	\$ _____
General Assistance	\$ _____	\$ _____
Alimony	\$ _____	\$ _____
Child Support	\$ _____	\$ _____
Unemployment Benefits	\$ _____	\$ _____
Income of Other Members of Household	\$ _____	\$ _____
Other Source of Income	\$ _____	\$ _____
TOTAL INCOME	\$ _____	\$ _____

SAVINGS AND INVESTMENTS: List all savings owned by you or your spouse, including savings accounts, postal savings, credit union shares, certificates of deposit, cash, stocks, bonds, or similar investment.

NAME OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTION OR INVESTMENTS	AMOUNT ON DEPOSIT	CURRENT INTEREST RATE	NAME ON ACCOUNT	VALUE OF INVESTMENT

LIFE INSURANCE: List all policies held by you and your spouse.

INSURED	AMOUNT OF POLICY	AMOUNT PAID MONTHLY	PAID UP POLICY	NAME OF BENEFICIARY	RELATIONSHIP TO INSURED

MOTOR VEHICLES IN HOUSEHOLD:

MAKE	YEAR	MONTHLY PAYMENT	BALANCE OWED

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	AGE	RELATIONSHIP TO CLAIMANT	PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT	CONTRIBUTION TO FAMILY INCOME

PERSONAL DEBTS:

CREDITOR	PURPOSE OF DEBT	DATE OF DEBT	ORIGINAL BALANCE	MONTHLY PAYMENT	BALANCE DUE

MONTHLY EXPENSES:

House payment	\$ _____	Alimony/support	\$ _____
Property taxes	\$ _____	Auto loan	\$ _____
Utilities:		Food/Household	\$ _____
Electricity	\$ _____	Clothing	\$ _____
Heat	\$ _____	Laundry	\$ _____
Water/sewer	\$ _____	Medical	\$ _____
Telephone	\$ _____	Transportation	\$ _____
Cable TV	\$ _____	Recreation	\$ _____
Other	\$ _____	Education	\$ _____
Home maintenance	\$ _____	Child care	\$ _____
Income taxes	\$ _____	School supplies	\$ _____
Insurance		School lunches	\$ _____
Health	\$ _____	Newspaper	\$ _____
Life	\$ _____	Hair care	\$ _____
Auto	\$ _____	Dental	\$ _____
Home	\$ _____	Dues	\$ _____
Other	\$ _____	Charity	\$ _____
		Other (please list)	\$ _____
			\$ _____
			\$ _____
			\$ _____

OTHER ASSETS: List all other assets and their values that are owned or controlled by you. (For example, boats, livestock, antiques, etc.).

TYPE OF ASSET	VALUE	INCOME DERIVED FROM ASSETS	OWNER

NOTICE: A copy of your latest federal income tax return, state income tax return (MI-1040) and your Homestead Property Tax Credit claim (MI-1040CR 1,2,3 or 4) must be attached as proof of income for each person residing in your home.

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
COUNTY OF LAPEER) ,

The undersigned, being duly sworn, deposes and says that the statements made in the foregoing application are true and that he/she has no money, income or property other than stated herein.

Applicant's Signature

Subscribed and sworn this _____ day of _____,

Signature of Township official or Notary Public

**BOARD OF REVIEW DECISIONS MAY BE APPEALED TO THE MICHIGAN TAX TRIBUNAL.

STC Bulletin No. 9 of 2009 - Changes For 2009
Page 2

C. Federal Poverty Guidelines Used in the Determination of Poverty Exemptions for 2009.

MCL 211.7u, which deals with poverty exemptions, was significantly altered by PA 390 of 1994 and was further amended by PA 620 of 2002. Please see STC Bulletin No. 5 of 1995 and page 3 of STC Bulletin No. 1 of 2003 for more detailed information.

Local governing bodies are required to adopt guidelines that set income levels for their poverty exemption guidelines and those income levels **shall not be set lower** by a city or township than the federal poverty guidelines updated annually by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. This means, for example, that the income level for a household of 3 persons **shall not** be set lower than \$17,600 which is the amount shown on the following chart for a family of 3 persons. The income level for a family of 3 persons may be set higher than \$17,600.

Following are the federal poverty guidelines for use in setting poverty exemption guidelines for 2009 assessments.

Size of Family Unit	Poverty Guidelines
1	\$ 10,400
2	\$ 14,000
3	\$ 17,600
4	\$ 21,200
5	\$ 24,800
6	\$ 28,400
7	\$ 32,000
8	\$ 35,600
For each additional person, add	\$ 3,600

Note: PA 390 of 1994 states that the poverty exemption guidelines established by the governing body of the local assessing unit shall also include an asset level test. An asset test means the amount of cash, fixed assets or other property that could be used, or converted to cash for use in the payment of property taxes. The asset test should calculate a maximum amount permitted and all other assets above that amount should be considered as available.

D. Multipliers for the Valuation of Free-Standing Communication Towers.

The State Tax Commission has received a number of inquiries, both from the assessing community and from taxpayers, relating to the proper procedures for assessing freestanding communication towers. Accordingly, the Commission has determined that, in addition to providing the valuation multipliers for use in making 2009 assessments, it is appropriate to re-state a number of directives that have been made in previous Bulletins.