

RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY TAX ASSISTANCE & UTILITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS 2026/2027 APPLICATION FORM



Residential Property Tax Assistance and Utility Assistance Programs provide support to qualifying households in the West Hants Regional Municipality who are in need of help with property taxes, municipal sewer costs or bulk water purchases.

For the 2026 tax year, approved applicants will receive assistance through a rebate. Rebates will be applied to property tax accounts for property tax and bulk water assistance and to utility accounts for sewer assistance. **Applicants must re-apply every year.**

APPLICATION DEADLINE - JULY 31, 2026

For questions or help filling out your application form, contact our office at (902) 798-8391, Ext. 148.

TO QUALIFY:

- Household income must be **\$47,853** or less in the immediately preceding calendar year. Proof of income must be provided for all members of the household by submitting a **Notice of Assessment** for each person.
- Assistance will only be granted to residents where the property is their primary residence and occupied year-round.

ADDITIONAL QUALIFIERS:

Property Tax Assistance

- Where a property is assessed to more than one person, only the portion of the assistance equal to each individual's share will be received. If the different interests are not separated, the portion will be determined by the Treasurer, whose determination is final.
- No assistance will exceed 50% of the current year's taxes and assistance is capped at \$416.11 for all approved households.
- All previous taxes on the property must be paid in full at the time of the application.

Sewer Utility Assistance

- The utility account must be in the applicant's name, or the applicant must have a valid tenant acknowledgement agreement on file.
- Assistance will not exceed 50% of the previous year's sewer bill and is capped at \$208.05 per year. This assistance will be applied directly to the water utility account quarterly.
- The utility account must be paid in full at the time of application.

Bulk Water Assistance

- The applicant cannot be connected to municipal water service.
- The applicant must provide their previous year's bulk water hauler receipts and identify the name of the property owner and civic address where the services were delivered.
- Assistance will not exceed 50% of the previous year's water hauling receipts and is capped at \$208.05 per year. The rebate will be issued as a one-time, non-refundable property tax account credit.
- A property owner's previous year's taxes must be paid in full at the time of application.

TO APPLY:

- Complete the application form (on reverse).
- Attach a copy of the 2025 CRA Notice of Assessment (NOA) for each adult residing in the home (example below). You can call the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) at 1-800-959-8281 to request a copy of your NOA.

SAMPLE NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT FROM CANADA REVENUE AGENCY (CRA)

		Notice details	
NAME		Social Insurance Number xxx xxx xxx	
ADDRESS			
Tax Assessment		Tax Year	2025
Summary			
Line	Description	\$ Final Amount	CR/DR
15000	Total Income		
23600	Net Income	\$xx.xx	
	Deductions from Net Income	\$xx.xx	
35000	Total Federal Non-Refundable Tax	\$xx.xx	
26000	Taxable Income	\$xx.xx	

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 Phone: 902-798-8391 / westhants.ca



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Property Tax Account # (if applicable)		# of Adults (over the age of 18) Residing in the House	
Utility Account # (if applicable)		<input type="checkbox"/> On Municipal Sewer (if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Tenant with Signed Landlord Acknowledgement Agreement on File (if applicable)	
Bulk Water Purchases (if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		Total Amount of Bulk Water Purchases (if applicable) \$ _____	
Property Owner's Name(s) (Include all owners listed on the deed.)			
Tenant's Name(s) (if applicable)			
Civic Address			
Mailing Address			
City / Town, Province		Postal Code	
Telephone # (home)		Telephone # (work)	
Email			
I/We, residents of West Hants, the owners, or agreement-acknowledged tenants (if applying for sewer utility assistance), and occupants of the above property, certify that the information on this application is true and that the household income from all sources during 2025 was below the limits set out in this application (based on the household size).			
Signature of Applicant		Date	
Signature of Co-Applicant		Date	
Ensure you have attached: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Proof of Income (Copy of 2025 CRA Notice of Assessment – for each adult over the age of 18, living in the home) ✓ Bulk Water Purchase Receipts from the previous year (If you are applying for the Bulk Water Utility Assistance) Submit your application form as early as possible. Additional documents can be provided once they are received from the Canada Revenue Agency.			
FOR OFFICE USE ONLY: Date Received: _____ 2025 Property Tax Total: _____ Total Gross Income: _____ 2025 Bulk Water Total: _____ WHRM RPTA Amount: _____ 2025 Sewer Portion of Utility Total: _____ WHRM UA Amount: _____ WHRM Bulk Water Amount: _____ 2025 Paid in Full: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Authorization: _____			

Information provided by the applicant will be confirmed by West Hants Regional Municipality's own sources. This information is kept strictly confidential and will only be used to evaluate the circumstances of the application.