

Huron County Auditor Roland Tkach reminds and encourages county residents who qualify to take advantage of the Homestead Exemption program.

The applicant must be at least 65 years of age by Dec. 31, 2017 or be totally and permanently disabled as of Jan. 1, 2017. Proof of age and disability is required for these qualifications.

Qualified disabled veterans may also submit a Homestead Exemption application.

The applicant must own and occupy the property as their primary residence as of Jan. 1, 2017.

Income cannot exceed \$31,800 total threshold on the Ohio adjusted gross income for income tax year 2016.

The auditor's office still will accept late applications for tax year 2016 on real estate. To qualify, the income threshold cannot exceed \$31,500 on the Ohio adjusted gross income for income tax year 2015.

The income threshold changes yearly, as set by the state.

Those currently receiving the Homestead Exemption reduction do not need to re-apply unless they have moved to a different residence.

To apply, visit the auditor's office at 12 E. Main St., Suite 300, Norwalk, or online at www.huroncountyauditor.org.

Call the Huron County Auditor's Office at 419-668-8464 with any questions.