

2025 POVERTY EXEMPTION GENERAL GUIDELINES

The following criteria must be met to be eligible for the Poverty Exemption:

1. The applicant must own and occupy the property and have a valid Principal Residence Exemption on file.
2. File a **Poverty Exemption Application** with the Assessor's Office each year after January 1st but before the day prior to the last day of the Board of Review.
3. Provide Federal and State Income Tax Returns for all persons residing in the principal residence including any property tax credit forms. These income tax returns shall include those filed in the current year or in the immediately preceding year. Per PA 135 of 2012 If not required to file Federal or State Income Tax Treasury form 4988 shall be filed for each person with the Poverty Exemption Application.
4. Produce a valid driver's license or other valid form of identification.
5. Produce a deed, land contract, or other evidence of ownership of the property for which an exemption is being requested.
6. Must mee the Federal Poverty income standards as defined and determined annually by the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

Size of Family Unit	Income Guidelines
1	\$15,060
2	\$20,440
3	\$25,820
4	\$31,200
5	\$36,580
6	\$41,960
7	\$47,340
8	\$52,720
For each additional person	\$5,380

7. Per PA 390 of 1994: Must meet the Asset Level test: Household assets cannot exceed Ten Thousand Dollar (\$10,000). Household assets include but are not limited to: stocks, bonds, mutual funds, money markets, bank accounts, pensions, inheritance, second homes, that could be readily converted to cash. The applicant's homestead is excluded from this limit.