

Apply Now to Start Property Tax Reduction in 2023

Extra high taxes are threatening the Westside. If you want to lower your property taxes, fill out this Application and submit it to Westside Housing. Over 130 Westside homeowners have already enrolled. Mail or deliver to: 919 W. 24th St., Kansas City, MO 64108. This will save you money on your taxes! Call Westside Housing for questions, 816-421-8048.

What's Next?

After you submit this Application, a staff specialist will contact you to discuss your circumstances, and will ask you to submit some additional documentation, which could include the items below—so *start gathering them now*.

- For all household members, and only if your combined household income last year was under \$152,807, a copy of their most recent, signed federal **tax return**, or alternative documentation of income
- Copy of most recent City **water bill** or other utility bill
- If you have a home loan, the most recent copy of your **loan statement** or invoice
- Copy of any outstanding City property maintenance **code citation** you received but have not yet remedied, if any
- Receipts** or other evidence of any *exterior* home improvements you have completed in the last 12 months

Program Description

The Westside Property Tax Relief Program allows *all* Westside owner-occupants to get home property tax reduction for up to 24 years. Approved by the City Council September 29, 2022, the Program uses the State Law Chapter 353 tax reduction statute.

Under the Program, existing owner-occupants with incomes below \$76,404 would pay, instead of a property tax, a neighborhood “fair tax” and base “land tax”, together equal to 2.65% of their household income (the Jackson County average), adjusted every two years, for the 24-year duration of the Program. Most of these homeowners will see an average 50% reduction. Except that homeowners who already pay taxes less than this will receive a 10% reduction in tax.

Those with higher incomes would pay 60-90% of what they would otherwise pay, for seven years, depending on income. With the exception of the land tax, the payments would all go into a fund, overseen by the City, managed by Westside Housing, to pay the costs of the Program, including a Fund to help the needy.

To be eligible, you must spend \$1,000 over the next three years for outside home repairs, (or have spent it over the past year). Needy families can get help from the Program. You must also do an instantaneous deed exchange, ending with your home title back in your name, handled by the Legal Aid office.



Westside Property Tax Relief Program Application

A \$75 application fee can be paid later.

Only owner-occupied residential units which are single-family, condo or duplex qualify for this program.

Residential rental units and commercial buildings are not eligible.

LEGIBLY PRINT THE ENTIRE APPLICATION

Full Name:		Co-applicant Name:	
Street Address, City & Zip:			Do you want a more detailed program description? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Last 4 digits of Social Security Number or ITIN:	Phone:	Co-applicant Phone:	
Email:			Are you in the County quad tax program? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
What is your preferred method of contact? <input type="checkbox"/> Email <input type="checkbox"/> Mail <input type="checkbox"/> Phone			Prefer Spanish: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Have you owned your home since before September 29, 2022? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Not eligible if bought after then)		If you're not the owner, state owner's name and address:	
If you are not the owner, are you related by family to the owner? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		If you are related by family to the owner, state how:	
This is a: <input type="checkbox"/> Single-family house <input type="checkbox"/> Condo <input type="checkbox"/> Duplex		Number of adults in the household over age 18:	
Marital status: <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Separated		If married or married and separated, state full name and address of spouse:	Do you have home <i>title</i> insurance? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
Do you make payments on a home equity loan or home purchase loan? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Loan Number(s):	Name of lender(s):	
Do you have any outstanding City property maintenance code citations? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	If Yes, describe:		
Have you done any exterior home improvements in the past 12 months? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	If Yes, describe:		
You are required to have completed within the past 12 months, or to complete in the next three years, outside home improvements valued at \$1,000 or more. If you haven't already made \$1,000 of improvements in the past 12 months, <i>what should the new improvements be?</i> (For example: roof, painting, gutters, landscaping, porch repair, windows)	Answer:		
	Your proposed work completion date:		
Signature:			Date:

Westside Housing Organization is an equal-opportunity nonprofit §501(c)(3) community organization and does not discriminate against any individual based on race, color, creed, national origin, sex, ancestry, age, marital status, or disability.

All personal information will be kept confidential.

Return completed Application to:

Westside Housing, 919 West 24th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64108