

**CITY OF NEWTON
DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENT ADMINISTRATION
FISCAL YEAR 2025 WATER/SEWER DISCOUNT PROGRAM**

If you meet the following sets of requirements, you may be eligible for a 30% discount on your water/sewer bills:

FOR OLDER CITIZENS

To qualify, a taxpayer:

- 1) must be over 65 years of age as of July 1, 2024 AND
- 2) must have primary residence in Massachusetts for ten (10) years AND owned property in the state for five (5) years AND must have occupied property as of July 1, 2024 AND must have a total income of less than \$93,000 per year.

Financial documentation required:

- 1a) copy of your 2023 federal income tax return (**Form 1040, plus any additional schedules filed**) reflecting all sources of income: social security benefits, pension/retirement income, rental property income, dividends/earnings from stocks/bonds/CDs (certificates of deposit), and any wages/earnings;

OR - If not required to file a Federal Tax return

- 1b) copy of year-end financial statements, as follows:
 - 2023 annual income from social security AND
 - 2023 annual statement of income from pension/retirement AND
 - December 2023 year-end bank statements -- both checking and savings accounts -- showing interest income AND
 - December 2023 rental income receipt(s) AND
 - Form W-2 2023 year-end statement of wages, salaries, and other compensation.

If first year of application, please attach a copy of your birth certificate or government issued identification such as driver's license or passport.

BE SURE TO FILE PROMPTLY. ALL APPROVALS ARE GRANTED ON AN ANNUAL BASIS. APPLICATIONS MUST BE FILED ANNUALLY.

If you need further assistance, please call the Assessor's Office at 617-796-1160.