FROM THE ASSESSOR PROGRAMS

TAX RELIEF

The Assessor's Office is now processing applications for Tax Relief Programs and Exemptions available to qualified Norfolk residents.

Connecticut's **ELDERLY AND TOTALLY DISABLED HOMEOWNER** Tax Relief Program is available to qualifying residents who were at least 65 years of age as of 12/31/2017 (or a surviving spouse at least 50 years of age, if previously qualified) and had 2017 income levels up to **\$35,300** if single, or **\$43,000** if married. There is no age restriction for totally disabled homeowners. Proof of all income must be submitted. The filing period is from <u>February 1 through May 15</u>.

A **VETERANS' EXEMPTION** on real estate or motor vehicles may be available to any veteran having served at least 90 days during a recognized time of war. To be eligible, a veteran must file an Honorable Discharge Form (DD-214) or similar with the Town Clerk by **September 30th**. Disabled veterans are entitled to an increased exemption by filing their disability statement from the Veterans Administration with the Assessor no later than **October 1**st.

An **ADDITIONAL VETERANS' EXEMPTION** may be available for income qualifying applicants with an income of up to **\$35,300** for single, or **\$43,000** for married veterans.

A TOWN OF NORFOLK LOCAL OPTION ADDITIONAL VETERANS' EXEMPTION of \$20,000 may be available to income qualifying applicants with an income of up to **\$60,300** for single, or **\$68,000** for married veterans. The income levels on this Norfolk program exceed the state income limits by \$25,000. The filing deadline for both additional veterans' programs is <u>October 1st</u>.

Other exemptions may be available to motor vehicles belonging to **ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY or AMBULATORY VEHICLES.** Please request more information from the Assessor.

If you have been determined to be **<u>BLIND</u>**, a \$3,000 exemption may be available upon application.

If you are **TOTALLY DISABLED**, a \$1,000 exemption may be available upon receipt of proof of permanent total disability from the Social Security Administration.

Renters may qualify for a **RENTERS REBATE** program to income qualified applicants with an income up to **\$35,300** for single or **\$43,000** for married renters. The filing period for this program is from <u>April 1 - October</u> <u>1st.</u>

Those property owners interested in PA 490 **FARM LAND or FOREST** designations should check with the Assessor for information and/or an application.

For additional information or to obtain applications for any of the above programs, you may visit our Town of Norfolk's website at **www.norfolkct.org**, visit the Assessor's Office in the Town Hall at 19 Maple Ave. (open daily until 12:00 pm), telephone 860-542-5287 or email to norfolkassessor@yahoo.com.