

From the desk of Assemblywoman Gabriella A. Romero:

Property Tax Relief Information Is Here

This year's State Budget delivers \$2.2 Billion in STAR relief for homeowners!



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Dear Neighbor,

In the 2025-26 New York State Budget I helped deliver real property tax relief for homeowners through changes to the STAR (School Tax Relief) and Enhanced STAR programs. I'm proud to say it's now easier to enroll and more fair to keep your benefits, essentially saving you money when you need it most.

Here's a breakdown of what's new and important for you:

- **Easier Enrollment:** Homeowners can maintain their benefit without the need to file additional income verification forms if they were eligible for STAR for three consecutive years.*
- **Fairer Rules:** Only one homeowner needs to be age 65 or older for Enhanced STAR.*
- **Faster Delivery:** STAR credits can be sent by direct deposit - no need to wait for checks.*
- **Smoother Transition:** Seniors aging into Enhanced STAR no longer need to reapply with local assessors.*

With love,

Gabriella Romero

Applying for the STAR Credit or Enhanced STAR is easy!

- Visit www.tax.ny.gov/star*
- Call 518-457-2036*

Who Qualifies?

- **For the Basic STAR Credit:** Homeowners of any age with combined incomes up to \$500,000.*
- **For Enhanced STAR:** Seniors 65+ with incomes up to \$107,300.*

I care deeply about empowering each of us to age in place. The STAR program helps families and older adults stay in their homes, and can help you save hundreds of dollars each year! As your Assemblymember, I will continue to pass laws to make living in our community more affordable.

Please don't hesitate to call my office if you need help with any aspect of the STAR program!

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