

Applications Open for Property Tax Rebate for Seniors

Applications for the Property Tax Rebate for Seniors program are now open. "The Property Tax Rebate for Seniors is one of the many programs government funds to help make life more affordable for people living on a low income," said Jill Balser, Minister of Service Nova Scotia. "I encourage all

seniors who are eligible to take advantage of this provincial rebate program and apply. It's easy to do."

The program helps seniors on a low income with the cost of municipal property taxes. It provides a rebate of half of the previous year's property taxes, up to \$800.

To be eligible for the

program, people must: have paid their 2025 municipal residential property taxes in full; have their name on the property title and be eligible to receive the Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) or Guaranteed Income Supplement - Allowance from Service Canada.

People who received

the rebate last year will get an application form by mail. Forms are also available online, at Access Nova Scotia centres and at MLA offices. Applications are open until December 31. Seniors can also use the form to apply for the 2026-27 Heating Assistance Rebate Program.

People should be aware that rebates such as this one are often cited in scam emails or texts that ask for personal information. The Province will never email, text or call citizens asking for personal information, such as banking information or social insurance numbers.

About The Royal Canadian Legion

Incorporated in 1926, the Legion is Canada's largest Veteran support and community service organization. We are a non-profit organization with a national reach across Canada as well as branches in the U.S. and Europe. With 300,000 members, many of whom volunteer an extraordinary amount of time to their branches, our strength is in our numbers.

The Legion advocates for Veterans' benefits and for the wellbeing of Veterans and their families

To develop our positions and messages to effectively advocate for Veterans and their families, the Legion supports and conducts research, speaks with Veterans and their families, and consults with subject matter experts. Our advocacy is consistent with the approximately 20 other Canadian organizations that make up the Veterans Consultation Assembly.

Veterans served to protect the rights and freedoms we enjoy today, and The Royal Canadian Legion is committed to ensuring they receive the care and supports they deserve.

The democratic voice of Legion members and the resolution process

The Legion is uniquely positioned to speak on behalf of our membership, which includes approxi-



mately 60,000 Veterans, 140,000 family members, as well as persons who support those who served. We are often asked by the Government of Canada and other organizations to present our position on issues because we are the only Veteran service organization that assists Veterans and their families with representation to Veterans Affairs Canada and the Veterans Review and Appeal Board Canada.

There is no one individual or select group within the Legion that determines Legion policy or di-

rection. The Legion has an established and identifiable membership who shapes our policies and direction in a democratic manner. Resolutions are voted on across all levels of the organization, ensuring the Legion is aligned to meet the needs of Veterans and their families. To find out more about this process, contact your Branch or Provincial Command.



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Premier's Summer Tour

Premier Tim Houston will spend next several weeks speaking to Nova Scotians across the province about the challenges and opportunities ahead.

"There is so much opportunity in Nova Scotia, and I'm extremely optimistic about the future. Yes, Nova Scotia is in a difficult fiscal position with a \$1.24-billion deficit, and we still need to make major investments in affordability, healthcare, long-term care and education. But the good news is we have tremendous opportunities ahead in defence, wind, energy and local businesses who are ready to take the world stage," said Premier Houston. "I'm looking forward to talking to Nova Scotians this summer about the opportunities they see ahead, and the challenges they want us to focus on."

He spoke to chambers of commerce and visit with Nova Scotian business owners in July and will continue throughout August. Scheduled events open to the media are as follows: Wednesday, July 29 - Pictou County Chamber of Commerce; Tuesday, August 4 - Truro and Colchester Chamber of Commerce; Wednesday, August 12: Strait Area Chamber of Commerce and Thursday, August 13 - Cape Breton Regional Chamber of Commerce.

A separate public engagement process, run by the Department of Finance and Treasury Board and specific to the 2027-28 budget, will take place in the fall. Details will be shared with Nova Scotians when they are available.

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