

Town of Windham

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Memo

To: Town Council

From: Don Gerrish, Interim Town Manager

Re: Senior Tax Assistance Program Results 2018-2019

The Town had a very successful response to the Tax Assistance Program this year. We have exceeded last year's participation of 79 participants by an additional 62 applications.

Total Number of Applicants: 141

- Qualified for Full Benefit of \$500: **119**
- Qualified for Partial Benefit: **20** (ranging from \$85 \$493)
- Not Eligible for Benefit: 2 (1- income exceeded limit; 2- income to tax ratio did not meet benefit requirements)

Total program calculated benefit: \$65,992 - If all participants were to be paid for their full benefit, we will exceed our budget of \$50,000 by \$15,992 or 24.2%.

Per our ordinance, Chapter 112 - Property Tax Assistance, payments to all qualifying applicants are limited to the amount available in the fund. To remain within this budget the result would be a maximum benefit of \$379 and partial benefits ranging from \$64 - \$374.

I look forward to discussing this issue with the Council.