

## **Deductions available through the Tax Assessor's Office.**

**Senior Citizens deduction in the amount of \$250.** Must be 65 or older by October 1<sup>st</sup> of the pretax year. Must be a resident of the state of New Jersey, and your combined income cannot exceed \$10,000 per year excluding Social Security. Must file application with the Assessor's Office along with a copy of your driver's license as proof of age and residency.

**Disabled Person in the amount of \$250.** Must be 100% disabled and unable to return to work. Must be a resident of the state of New Jersey, and your combined income cannot exceed \$10,000 per year excluding Social Security. Must file application with the Assessor's Office along with a copy of your driver's license, Doctors certificate declaring you 100% disabled and a copy of your Social security statement.

**Veterans Deduction in the amount of \$250.** Must be an honorably discharged veteran who served in time of war. Must establish residency in the state of New Jersey 1 year prior to application. Must file an application with the with the tax assessor along with a copy of your driver's license and DD-214. Approved service dates can be found below. Please note that any date listed with an \* require that the applicant have served at least 14 days in the combat zone.

- \*Operation Northern/Southern Watch 8/27/1992 – 3/17/2003
- \*Operation Iraqi Freedom 3/19/2003 – Ongoing
- \*Operation Enduring Freedom 9/11/2001 – Ongoing
- \*Joint Endeavor/Joint Guard – Bosnia & Herzegovina 11/20/1995 – 6/20/1998
- \*Restore Hope Mission – Somalia 12/5/1992 – 3/31/1994
- \*Operation Desert Shield/ Desert Storm Mission 8/2/1990 – 2/28/1991
- \*Panama Peacekeeping Mission 12/20/89 – 1/31/1990
- \*Grenada Peacekeeping Mission 10/23/1983 – 11/21/1983
- \*Lebanon Peacekeeping Mission 9/26/1992 – 12/1/1987
- Vietnam Conflict 12/31/1960 – 5/7/1975
- \*Lebanon Crisis of 1958 7/1/1958 – 11/1/1958
- Korean Conflict 6/23/1950 – 1/31/1955
- World War II 9/16/1940 – 12/31/1946

100 % Disabled Veteran who suffers from an injury sustained from a war time act. (Exempt from real-estate taxes). Must file an application with the tax assessor. Provide copy of your driver's license, DD-214 and Veterans Administration Award letter declaring your status at 100%.

**Abatements:**

If you plan to build an addition, deck, porch, patio, do renovations or anything else that may increase your assessment. You may be eligible for an abatement of up to \$15,000 for those improvements. The home must be at least 20 old, must apply with the tax assessor within 30 days of the Certificate of Occupancy being issued. If approved the increased assessed value of up to \$15,000 would be abated for a period of 5 years. This would result in a tax savings of approximately \$400 per year and more than \$2000 over the five year term of the abatement.