

MORE INFORMATION

You must provide proof of all household income, even if a tax return was not filed with the Internal Revenue Service.

Interest will accrue on the deferred tax until it is paid. The tax deferral becomes a first lien on the property and will be collected in the same manner as other liens.

HOW TO APPLY

Applications are available at www.tcslc.com and all three office locations.

They must be submitted between November 1 and March 31.

www.tcslc.com  

CONTACT INFO

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LOCATIONS

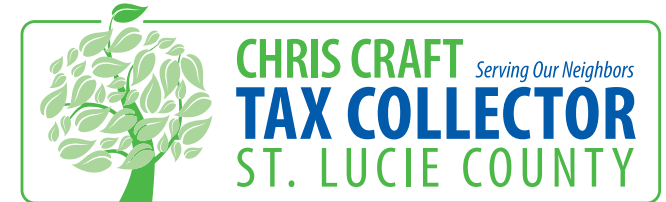
FORT PIERCE
2300 Virginia Avenue
Fort Pierce, FL 34982

PORT ST. LUCIE EAST
1664 SE Walton Road
Port St. Lucie, FL 34952

TRADITION
10264 SW Village Parkway
Port St. Lucie, FL 34987

HOURS

Monday - Friday
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Driver license services end at 4:30 p.m.



HOMESTEAD TAX DEFERRAL PROGRAM

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WHAT IS THE HOMESTEAD TAX DEFERRAL PROGRAM?

The Homestead Tax Deferral Program is available to assist taxpayers whose incomes are low in comparison to the amount of real estate taxes due on their homes. Any person entitled to claim homestead exemption through the St. Lucie County Property Appraiser's Office may qualify to postpone a portion of their property taxes based on the applicant's household income.

THE FOLLOWING QUALIFICATIONS MUST BE MET:

You must qualify for Homestead Exemption through the St. Lucie County Property Appraiser's Office.

You must also meet certain household income and/or age requirements:

- You may only defer the portion of the taxes exceeding 5% of the household income for the previous year (3% if over 65 years of age).
- If your household income for the previous calendar year is less than \$10,000 (or \$25,000 in the current year if over 65 years of age), the entire amount of tax may be deferred.

- Your combined liens and deferred taxes may not exceed 85% of the assessed value of the homestead property
- You must furnish proof of fire and extended coverage insurance in an amount in excess of all liens, deferred taxes and interest with a loss of payable clause to the tax collector.
- You are not entitled to a deferral if the primary mortgage exceeds 70% of the assessed value of the homestead property.
- Your deferred taxes and interest will become payable under the following conditions with the tax-deferred property:
 - A change in use
 - A change in ownership
 - Failure to maintain the required fire and extended insurance coverage

For more information, visit www.tcslc.com.