

YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A HOMESTEAD OR SAFESR PROPERTY TAX REFUND FOR TAX YEAR 2019

HOMESTEAD PROPERTY TAX REFUND

A property tax refund for eligible homeowners.

To Qualify

As a Kansas resident for all of 2019 who **owned and occupied** a homestead, you are eligible for a refund of up to \$700 if your total “household income” is **\$35,700** or less, AND you:

- were born before January 1, 1964; **OR**
- were totally and permanently disabled or blind for the entire year of 2019; **OR**
- have a dependent child who lived with you the entire year that was born before January 1, 2019, and was under the age of 18 all of 2019; **OR**
- are a disabled veteran (50% or more disability), or the surviving spouse of a disabled veteran who has not remarried, or the surviving spouse of an active duty military personnel who died in the line of duty and not remarried.
- "Household income" is generally all income received by **all** members of the household. This includes both **taxable** and **non-taxable** income.

“SAFESR” PROPERTY TAX REFUND

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To Qualify

As a Kansas resident for all of 2019 who **owned and occupied** a homestead, you are eligible for a refund of 75% of your property taxes paid if your total “household income” including social security is **\$20,300** or less, AND you:

- were 65 years or older all of 2019;
- must not have delinquent property taxes in 2019.

HOW TO CLAIM YOUR REFUND

Homestead Refund: Complete a Form K-40H, Homestead Claim form electronically on the KDOR website at:

<https://www.kansas.gov/ssrv-homestead/login.html>

or mail a paper K-40H to the Kansas Department of Revenue anytime between January 1 and April 15, 2020. **NOTE: Renting does not qualify for a homestead refund** – you must be a homeowner who **owns** and **occupies** your homestead to qualify.

SAFESR Property Tax Refund: Complete a Form K-40PT, Kansas Property Tax Relief Claim for Low Income Seniors electronically on the KDOR website at:

<https://www.kansas.gov/ssrv-homestead/login.html>

or mail a paper K-40PT to the Kansas Department of Revenue anytime between January 1st and April 15th, 2020.

Can I use my expected Homestead or SAFESR refund to help pay the first half of my property taxes due December 20th?

Yes, if I meet the following criteria.

- Must be a homeowner who received a Homestead or SAFESR refund last year;
- do not have any outstanding balances with the Kansas Department of Revenue (KDOR) and;
- who checked the Advancement Box on their 2018 Homestead or SAFESR return are eligible for an “advancement” of their 2019 homestead or SAFESR refund.

The advancement information will be sent electronically to the County Treasurer’s office and may appear on your 2019 property tax statement.

NOTE: A Homestead Refund Claim Form (K-40H) or a SAFESR Refund Claim Form (K-40PT) is still required and must be filed between January 1, 2020 and April 15, 2020 or the refund that was paid to the county treasurer in December of 2019 will need to be paid back to the Kansas Department of Revenue.

Note: You may claim either a SAFESR property tax refund or a Homestead refund.

NOT BOTH

Taxpayer Assistance. If you have questions about these refunds, contact our Taxpayer Assistance Center or your local county clerk’s office. If you are eligible, free tax preparation is available through programs such as VITA (offered by the IRS), AARP-Tax Aide, and TCE. These programs have sites throughout the state of Kansas. To find a site near you, call 1-800-829-1040 or visit a local IRS office. To find an AARP site, call 1-888-227-7669 or visit their website at: https://www.aarp.org/money/taxes/aarp_taxaide/

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