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Muskingum County Auditor Tina Huebner Urges Residents to Beware of Unofficial, False Federal Property Tax Relief Videos

The Muskingum County Auditor's Office is urging residents to be cautious of YouTube videos falsely claiming that a new federal program provides property tax relief for older homeowners.

These videos instruct viewers to contact their county auditor and request a "Senior Homeowner Tax Review Request" form. No such federal law, program, or form exists.

Ohio does offer legitimate property tax relief through the Homestead Exemption for qualifying homeowners, including many seniors, people with disabilities, qualifying disabled veterans, and certain surviving spouses. Eligible Homestead recipients may also receive a one-time, state-funded property tax reduction in 2027 under House Bill 479. Current Homestead recipients do not need to complete a separate application to receive this benefit.

Residents are encouraged to rely on official government sources for information about tax relief programs and should never pay for government forms or provide personal information through unofficial websites.

For information about the Homestead Exemption, eligibility requirements, or to apply, contact the Muskingum County Auditor's Office at (740) 455-7109, option 1, or visit the Auditor's official website at www.muskingumcountyauditor.org.