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Cumberland County Now Accepting Applications for 2023 Volunteer EMS and Firefighter Tax Credit

It's the second year for volunteer firefighters and volunteer EMS to apply for a real estate tax credit of up to \$250

Carlisle, PA – Active volunteer firefighters and volunteer EMS who reside in the county, can now apply for a real estate tax credit for tax year 2023. Under the Real Estate Tax Credit Ordinance that the county commissioners passed in July 2022, volunteers may be eligible for a tax credit up to \$250. This tax credit for volunteers provides financial incentives in the form of credits against Cumberland County Real Estate Tax, excluding the Library Tax.

Volunteers must apply every year to take advantage of the tax credit. Firefighters and EMS volunteers, in good standing for at least six months during the time-period of Jan. 1 through Nov. 30, 2023, are encouraged to apply. Active volunteers who were injured during a response to an emergency call and can no longer serve as an active volunteer due to injury, are eligible for the tax credit for the succeeding five tax years.

To receive the real estate tax credit, the applicant's fire company or EMS chief/manager must submit a [certification form](#) listing volunteers who have met the organizations requirements and have been in good standing for at least six months between Jan. 1 and Nov. 30. Volunteers must submit a completed and signed [tax credit application](#) and a copy of their official tax receipt. Bank statements and canceled checks will *not* be accepted to apply for the tax credit.

All applications and documentation must be submitted to the Cumberland County Commissioners Office, One Courthouse Square, Suite 200, Carlisle, PA 17013 by 4:30 p.m., on Friday, Dec. 15, 2023.

Additional information about the tax credit can be found at cumberlandcountypa.gov/5023.

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