



Finance Department
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**2020 PROPERTY TAX
65 AND OVER EXEMPTION**

INSTRUCTIONS: Read and complete the information below. Read, sign and date Statement of Ownership.

AUTHORITY: This exemption shall be construed pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 48-5-40 et seq., and as may be amended from time to time.

REQUIREMENTS: You must be Age 65 or older on January 1st of the year for which application is made. City of Kennesaw Over 65 Exemption may be claimed only on your homestead property. To qualify you must own, occupy and claim the property as your legal residence on January 1st of the year for which you apply. In addition to this application, an application for basic Homestead Exemption (Homeowner's Tax Relief Grant) must be completed and on file with the Cobb County Tax Commissioner's Office. You may claim exemptions on only one property you own. A husband and wife constitute one "applicant" and may claim exemptions on only one property. You must notify the City of Kennesaw in the event you no longer qualify. **PLEASE FURNISH PROOF OF AGE AND LEGAL EVIDENCE OF RESIDENCY (Georgia driver's license or Georgia ID card).** Exemptions are automatically renewed and you need not reapply if you refinance your home. If a change of ownership occurs due to death or divorce, you must provide a copy of the recorded deed to the City of Kennesaw and reapply for this exemption (same applies for exemptions with Cobb County). The applicant's name must appear on the deed to the property in order to qualify. You may apply for this exemption year-round, however the original application (faxed or e-mailed copy not accepted) must be received or U.S. postmarked (a metered postmark is not accepted as proof of timely mailing). **APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS OR POSTMARKED BY APRIL 1, 2020 TO AFFECT THE 2020 TAXES.**

APPLICANT 1 _____ **APPLICANT 2** _____

PROPERTY ADDRESS _____
Street _____ City _____ Zip _____

DATE OF BIRTH (APPLICANT 1) _____ **DATE OF BIRTH (APPLICANT 2)** _____

DATE OF OCCUPANCY _____ **DAYTIME PHONE #** _____

SOCIAL SECURITY # (LAST 4) _____ **SOCIAL SECURITY # (LAST 4)** _____

****ADDITIONAL EXEMPTION INFORMATION****

Did you know Cobb County offers additional exemptions? Please make application with Cobb County, no later than April 1, 2020.

STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP

In accordance with Local Ordinance 1959-120 authorizing exemption from City of Kennesaw taxes for persons age 65 and older, I do hereby make application to the City of Kennesaw and do solemnly swear that I am a qualified applicant according to O.C.G.A. 48-5-40 definitions as appear below. I do solemnly swear that I am the *bona fide* owner of the above described property and all statements made in support of this application are true and correct.

X _____ X _____
Applicant 1's signature **Date** **Applicant 2's signature** **Date**

48-5-40 DEFINITIONS

As used in this part, the term (1) "Applicant" means a person who is: (A) (i) A married individual living with his or her spouse; (ii) An individual who is unmarried but who permanently maintains a home for the benefit of one or more other individuals who are related to such individual for support; (iii) An individual who is widowed having one or more children and maintaining a home occupied by himself and the child or children; (iv) A divorced individual living in a bona fide state of separation and having legal custody of one or more children, when the divorced individual owns and maintains a home for the child or children; or (v) An individual who is unmarried or is widowed and who permanently maintains a home owned and occupied by himself or herself; and (B) Who is a resident of this state as defined in paragraph (15) of Code Section 40-5-1, as amended. (Note: Making false or fraudulent statements is a misdemeanor and subject to penalties and fines per O.C.G. A 48-5-51)

OFFICE USE ONLY: EXEMPTION TYPE: NEW CHANGE UPDATE DENIED **TAX REP** _____ **DATE** _____
Received Date _____ **Parcel ID#** _____
Received By _____ **Exemption Removed** Yes NO **Tax Yr.** _____ **NOTES** _____