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To: Town of Day Residents
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RE: 2026 STAR Changes

NYS Changes to the STAR program

- **Seniors no longer need to apply to their assessor to qualify for the <u>Enhanced STAR exemption</u>.**

- **Only ONE resident owner of the property – regardless of the relationship of the owners – must be at least 65 years of age as of December 31 of the benefit year.**

NYS will send a letter to BASIC Star recipients who may be eligible for the Enhanced STAR exemption.

Exemption recipients will not need to apply online but can check if their information is accurate on the homeowner benefit portal:
https://www.tax.ny.gov/pit/property/homeowner-benefit-portal.htm

Registration for STAR can still be done online or by calling 518-457-2036.

***New homeowners** must apply for the STAR Credit Check and are not eligible for the exemption.

* The "Aged" or Senior Low-Income Exemption is <u>NOT</u> the same as the STAR Exemption. You MUST still renew or apply with the assessor's office for the Senior Low-Income Exemption by March 1.