

## EMS Tax Credit FAQ's

**How does the eligibility list need to be designed? (i.e. letterhead? Does it need to be notarized? Anything specific?) – Can a template be created?**

*The eligibility list should be on official department letterhead. The listing should include the first and last name of the eligible volunteer.*

*The list must be notarized prior to submission. Department applications will not be processed without a notarized list from the Chief or their designee.*

*A template is available for interested departments.*

**Why is an additional piece of verification (accountability tag, membership letter, etc.) required when their name is on the eligibility list?**

*There are departments that may not submit their roster in a timely manner. This additional step permits approval if the eligibility list has not been received.*

**Is there a way to make the online system more user friendly? Currently, it requires more steps than doing a paper copy and submitting for signatures.**

*We will examine that application to determine steps that might make it more efficient. Members are welcome to submit the paper/electronic version as pdf attachments.*

**Is there an easier way to find your parcel number (i.e. <https://lancasterpa.devnetwedge.com/>) ?**

*See below. However, some municipalities will require contact with your local tax collector.*

**Does the eligible property need to be my residence?**

Yes. The eligible property must be listed as your primary residence. You may only apply for this location.

**My spouse is a department member but not listed as a property owner. Are they eligible?**

No. Only individuals listed on the notarized roster and on the tax billing as a property owner are eligible.

**Is there any way that the tax office can look up the information rather than requiring members to provide the receipt? This is a difficult step for some people, especially if they escrow their taxes and/or use an accountant for taxes**

1. Click on this link: [Lancaster County Property Tax Inquiry \(devnetwedge.com\)](https://lancasterpa.devnetwedge.com/)
2. Add your name in the "owner name" field. Click "enter" on your key pad.
3. Once your account comes up, scroll down to "billing" and you will see the info about your taxes.

*The Lancaster County Treasurers Office does not charge \$5.00 to a homeowner requesting a tax cert for their property. Also, any homeowner can access the*

*Treasurer Office's system, and see the date their property taxes were paid and the amount (you can also pay your county/municipal property taxes online).*

**Can members have a check box to say they meet the required hours rather than having to track them down? Departments are required to keep them on record, if they are audited, but this information is tedious to run for each individual person.**

*All applicants must be included on a notarized list. Applications will not be processed for individuals not included on a list.*

**REMINDER: The deadline for submission is March 31, 2025. Applications submitted after this date will not be processed.**