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Enrollment Opens Again for Homestead Program

Homeowners Turning 65 in 2010 Have Until June 7th to Signup

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Homeowners who turn 65 at any point in 2010 are now eligible for the Homestead program and are encouraged to sign up with the Montgomery County Auditor. Enrollment is now open until June 7th and applications are available in the Auditor's office or by calling **225-4341**.

The Homestead exemption program brings property tax relief to homeowners age 65 and older and the permanently disabled. There are no longer any income requirements, but newly eligible recipients (those turning 65 any time in 2009) must sign up with the Auditor's office. Homeowners already enrolled in Homestead do not need to reapply.

"We want all eligible senior homeowners to take advantage of this tax break," said Auditor Keith. Last year the average homestead recipient in Montgomery County saved over \$500 on their tax bill."

Qualified applicants who missed last year's deadline may also sign up before June 7th and still get a reduction on last year's taxes, as well as this year's. Current homestead recipients do not need to reapply or do anything unless they have moved or had some change in their status.

Potential new applicants are encouraged to call **225-4341** or log on to www.mcauditor.org for more information.