

Polish American Social Services "PASS"

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Polish American Social Services "PASS" United Social Services Outreach Program

Main Office:

308 Walnut Street • Philadelphia, PA 19106
Open Monday to Friday • 9 A.M. to 4 P.M.

Telephone: (215) 923-1900

Outreach Services in and around the Philadelphia area

If you, a family member, or friend have a question concerning social services, call PASS and discuss your needs with a representative. All calls are CONFIDENTIAL, and PASS will either give you the information you need, handle your service directly, or refer you to the proper agency that can assist you.

Clients wishing to visit the main office at 308 Walnut Street, or one of the outreach sites, are asked to call in advance so that a Social Service Representative can tell you what documentation you will need to bring with you to process your request.

You can view an outline of several programs available to senior citizens and individuals of all ages on the PASS Internet site at PolishAmericanSocialServices.com.

For additional information, call PASS, Monday through Friday, between 9 A.M. and 4 P.M. at (215) 923-1900.

Job Training Program Information

If you are considering a job training program that can help you attain or retain long-term employment, contact PASS for more information. The outreach program is especially important to individuals who are unemployed due to company closings or relocations. PASS will share information about Pennsylvania area Job Training Programs to help you become more employable in a changing job market. Call PASS's Employment Outreach Representative for more information at (215) 923-1900.

Do You Have A Resume?

PASS encourages job-seeking clients to prepare an outline of their work experience, or a resume, before they apply for any type of employment. A written resume helps job seekers present their job qualifications to a prospective employer. A PASS staff associate can review your current resume, update it, or develop a new one with you to prepare you for your job interview.

This service is available at the office of Polish American Social Services, 308 Walnut Street in Center City Philadelphia. Call to make an appointment for this free service at (215) 923-1900.

Attention Employers!

People seeking employment often contact PASS. The staff will be pleased to alert job seekers of **Job Openings** that have been reported.

If your place of employment is about to or has posted an employment opportunity, kindly let PASS know. Call Monday through Friday, between 9 A.M. and 4 P.M. (215) 923-1900, or send the job information to:

**Attn: Employment Information
Polish American Social Services
308 Walnut Street
Philadelphia, PA 19106**

Kindly include qualifications needed, starting salary and where to go for an application and interview.



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helpline number at (215) 765-9040 or PASS (215) 923-1900.

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There are still people who did not apply for the City of Philadelphia Real Estate Tax Reduction

All City of Philadelphia Property Owners can qualify for a reduction in Real Estate taxes. In order to qualify, **you must own your home and live in it.** The Homestead Real Estate Tax Relief Exemption means your home would be eligible for a **property tax reduction** once the reassessment process is completed.

In order to qualify, you must complete and file the **Real Estate Tax Relief Homestead Exemption Form** and return it before **September 13, 2013.** There are no age or income guidelines and all homeowners in the City of Philadelphia are encouraged to apply.

For more information, or to receive an application **call Polish American Social Services - United Social Services, Monday through Friday between 9 A.M. and 4 P.M. at (215) 923-1900.** A staff member will assist you with the application.

State of Pennsylvania Property Tax Rent Rebate Program

Applications for the Property Tax Rent Rebate Program were mailed by the program to those who applied in previous years. Applications are also available from PASS.



If it's 2013, why is the program called the 2012 Property Tax Rent Rebate Program?

This rebate program is a "look back" program. This means that to calculate a rebate, the program must look back at property taxes or rent the household paid out during 2012. Also to calculate the rebate, the program must look back at the income received during 2012 to calculate the amount of the rebate.

Who is eligible for a rebate?

There are many different individuals who may qualify for a rebate. They must fall into one of the categories below and meet certain income guidelines.

- A person or their spouse who is 65 years of age or older, or
- Widows or widowers 50 years of age or older, or
- Permanently DISABLED individuals 18 years of age or older.

What are the income guidelines and how much of a rebate is expected?

For Homeowners :	Income Range	Rebate Amount
\$ 0	- \$8,000	\$650
\$8,001	- \$15,000	\$500
\$15,001	- \$18,000	\$300
\$18,001	- \$35,000	\$250

For Renters:	Income Range	Rebate Amount
\$ 0	- \$8,000	\$650
\$8,001	- \$15,000	\$500

IT IS IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND THAT YOU DO NOT COUNT ONE- HALF OF SOCIAL SECURITY, SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME AND RAILROAD RETIREMENT TIER 1 BENEFITS WHEN CALCULATING ELIGIBILITY INCOME.

For example, if your gross Social Security income for 2012 was \$20,000, the Property Tax Rent Rebate Program would count only \$10,000 toward eligibility requirements. All other income such as salary, IRA payouts, pensions, dividends or interest is counted at 100%.

Do I ever have to repay this rebate or will a lien be placed on the property?

No. Absolutely NOT! No Lien is placed on the property nor does the rebate have to be repaid. Furthermore the rebate is not considered as income for any other program.

Whom do I call if I have questions or how can I get an application?

For more information, to get an application, or to get help completing the application, call Polish American Social Services at (215) 923-1900.

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