A program to permit older residents (60 and up) as well as qualified Vets under 60 years of age to reduce property taxes up to $1,000 a year by working for the Town of Bellingham.

### Eligibility Requirements
- Age 60 or older as of July 1 of the year in which the application is made.
- Home owners or current spouse.
- Resident of Bellingham: Own and occupy the property for which Bellingham taxes are paid.

### Selection Process
- Applicant must meet eligibility requirements.
- Applicant must have appropriate skills for position.
- Applicant and department head must both agree it is an appropriate match.

### Benefit Limits
- Maximum number of compensated hours worked is 100 per year per single adult.
- Maximum total of combined benefit for homeowner and current spouse is 150 hours or $1,500.*

### Job Opportunities
- Based upon individual department needs.
- Municipal Departments and School Departments.

### Term of Program
Program runs from December 1, 2017 through November 30, 2018.

### How to Apply
Applications and applicable forms are available at the Bellingham Senior Center.

### Notice:
The United States Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has ruled that under current federal law the abatement amount IS INCLUDED in the taxpayer’s gross income for both FEDERAL INCOME TAX and Federal Insurance Contribution Act (FICA) tax purposes, however.

**NOTICE:** The amount of the property tax reduction earned by the taxpayer under this program is not considered income or wages for purposes of the STATE income tax withholding, unemployment compensation or workmen's compensation.

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