

Purpose:

In 2005, Gilpin County created the Property Tax Work-Off Program to allow senior and disabled homeowners the opportunity to work for various Gilpin County departments in order to help pay a portion of their property taxes. In 2007, the Gilpin County RE-1 School District joined our program (school limit: 2-3 participants per season).

Program participants use the knowledge and skills they have accumulated throughout their life to earn funds equal to the county portion of their property taxes.

The program is designed to:

- Help relieve the property tax burden for seniors and disabled persons.
- Increase community involvement in providing county services.

How it Works:

All participants selected for the Property Tax Work-Off Program are hired as employees of Gilpin County. Work hours are offered on a first-come, first-served basis, taking the participant's skills, location, transportation and physical abilities into consideration.

Participants will be paid the current minimum wage and may work enough hours to satisfy the county portion of their taxes up to a maximum of \$350.00. Qualified participants may also work off the Gilpin County RE-1 School portion of their taxes up to a maximum of \$350.00.

Enrollment period:

November 1 to November 30

Applications are accepted during this period only.

Job matching:

December 1 to December 31

Participant work period:

January 1 to April 28

Who can Participate?

The only requirements are that the applicant:

- Must be age 60 or older, or disabled as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).
- Must own a home in Gilpin County and reside in that home.
- The property must not be income-producing.

How do I Apply?

For applications or for more information please contact:

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Application form online at:

<http://co.gilpin.co.us/Employment/PropTaxWork.htm/PropTaxWork.htm>

Examples of Jobs

- General Clerical
- Document Scanning
- Data Entry
- Research
- Painting
- Maintenance
- Groundskeeping
- Events Preparation & Assistance

Please Note:

Gilpin County does not guarantee work or completion of work hours. Participants must provide their own transportation to work locations. Background checks may be required for work in some departments.

Opportunity to work off Gilpin County RE-1 School taxes is limited to 2-3 participants per season, and a background check is required. Only those who pay Gilpin County RE-1 taxes may apply to work at the School.

How Earnings Are Applied:

For participants who do not use a mortgage company to pay taxes, the Treasurer's Office will apply the earned amount to their current tax bill, COUNTY PORTION ONLY. For participants who do use a mortgage company, after June 15th the Treasurer will issue the participant one check for the net amount of total hours worked. Due to complications that arise with the timing of mortgage company tax payments, the Treasurer's Office is unable to apply the participant's work hours to their current taxes due.

Participants are responsible for ensuring that their mortgage company is paying their taxes on time. Participants are responsible for checking their own accounts for any remainder due to the Treasurer's Office by the appropriate deadlines, and may access that account by calling the Treasurer's Office at 303-582-5222 or by going online to <http://co.gilpin.co.us> and clicking on the Treasurer's Office.

GOOD NEWS FOR GILPIN COUNTY SENIOR AND DISABLED HOMEOWNERS



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A Win-Win for
Seniors and
Gilpin County