

## Application for MCL 211.7u Poverty Exemption

This form is issued under the authority of the General Property Tax Act, Public Act 206 of 1893, MCL 211.7u.

MCL 211.7u of the General Property Tax Act, Public Act 206 of 1893, provides a property tax exemption for the principal residence of persons who, by reason of poverty, are unable to contribute toward the public charges. This application is to be used to apply for the exemption and must be filed with the Board of Review where the property is located. This application may be submitted to the city or township the property is located in each year on or after January 1.

**To be considered complete, this application must:** 1) be completed in its entirety, 2) include information regarding all members residing within the household, and 3) include all required documentation as listed within the application. Please write legibly and attach additional pages as necessary.

<b>PART 1: PERSONAL INFORMATION — Petitioner must list all required personal information.</b>				
Petitioner's Name			Daytime Phone Number	
Age of Petitioner	Marital Status	Age of Spouse	Number of Legal Dependents	
Property Address of Principal Residence		City	State	ZIP Code
<input type="checkbox"/> Check if applied for Homestead Property Tax Credit		Amount of Homestead Property Tax Credit		
<b>PART 2: REAL ESTATE INFORMATION</b>				
List the real estate information related to your principal residence. Be prepared to provide a deed, land contract or other evidence of ownership of the property at the Board of Review meeting.				
Property Parcel Code Number		Name of Mortgage Company		
Unpaid Balance Owed on Principal Residence	Monthly Payment	Length of Time at this Residence		
Property Description				
<b>PART 3: ADDITIONAL PROPERTY INFORMATION</b>				
List information related to any other property owned by you or any member residing in the household.				
<input type="checkbox"/> Check if you own, or are buying, other property. If checked, complete the information below.			Amount of Income Earned from other Property	
1	Property Address	City	State	ZIP Code
	Name of Owner(s)	Assessed Value	Date of Last Taxes Paid	Amount of Taxes Paid
2	Property Address	City	State	ZIP Code
	Name of Owner(s)	Assessed Value	Date of Last Taxes Paid	Amount of Taxes Paid

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**PART 9: HOUSEHOLD OCCUPANTS — List all persons living in the household.**

First and Last Name	Age	Relationship to Applicant	Place of Employment	\$ Contribution to Family Income

**PART 10: PERSONAL DEBT — List all personal debt for all household members.**

Creditor	Purpose of Debt	Date of Debt	Original Balance	Monthly Payment	Balance Owed

**PART 11: MONTHLY EXPENSE INFORMATION**

The amount of monthly expenses related to the principal residence for each category must be listed. Indicate N/A as necessary.

Heating	Electric	Water	Phone
Cable	Food	Clothing	Health Insurance
Garbage	Daycare	Car Expense (gas, repair, etc.)	
Other (type and amount)	Other (type and amount)	Other (type and amount)	
Other (type and amount)	Other (type and amount)	Other (type and amount)	

EXHIBIT A

FEDERAL POVERTY GUIDELINES

<b>Size of Family Unit</b>	<b>Poverty Guidelines</b>
1	\$15,060
2	\$20,440
3	\$25,820
4	\$31,200
5	\$36,580
6	\$41,960
7	\$47,340
8	\$52,720
For each additional person, add	\$5,380

EXHIBIT B

MAXIMUM ASSET STANDARD

	<b>Lansing Township</b>
1 person	21,000
2 person	26,000
3 person	31,000
4 person	36,000
5 person	41,000
6 person	46,000
7 person	51,000
8 person	56,000
9 person or more	61,000

**RESOLUTION 25-02**  
**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT POVERTY EXEMPTION INCOME GUIDELINES**  
**AND ASSET TEST**

At a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Lansing, Ingham County, Michigan, held in compliance with Michigan Public Act 228, on Tuesday, January 14, 2025 at 6:00 pm.

Present: Henrietta Brewer, Tracie Harris, Cortney Lightheart, Kathy Rodgers  
Absent: Leslie Graham, Nate Ruiz, Maggie Sanders

The following resolution was offered by Clerk Lightheart and supported by Board Member Henrietta Brewer:

**WHEREAS**, the homestead of persons who, in the judgment of the Supervisor and Board of Review, by reason of poverty, are unable to contribute to the public charges is eligible for exemption in whole or part from taxation under the General Property Tax Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Board is required by Section 7u of the General Property Tax Act, Public Act 206 of 1893 (MCL 211.7u), to adopt guidelines for poverty exemptions;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED**, pursuant to MCL 211.7u, that Lansing Charter Township, Ingham County, adopts the following guidelines for the Supervisor and Board of Review to implement.

The guidelines shall include but not be limited to the specific income and asset levels of the claimant and all persons residing in the household, including any property tax credit returns, filed in the current or immediately preceding year.

To be eligible, a person shall do all the following on an annual basis:

1. Be an owner of and occupy as a principal residence the property for which an exemption is requested.
2. File a claim with the Supervisor or Board of Review, accompanied by federal and state income tax returns for all persons residing in the homestead, including any property tax credit returns filed in the immediately preceding year or in the current year.
3. Produce a valid drivers' license or other form of identification if requested.
4. Produce a deed, land contract, or other evidence of ownership of the property for which an exemption is requested if requested.
5. Meet the federal poverty income guidelines as defined and determined annually by the United States Office of Management and Budget. – see exhibit A.
6. Meet additional eligibility requirements as determined by the Township Board, including maximum asset value policy – see exhibit B.

**BE IT ALSO RESOLVED** that the Board of Review shall follow the above stated policy and federal guidelines in granting or denying an exemption.


Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Brewer, Harris, Lighthouse, Rodgers

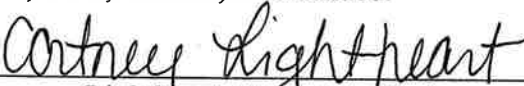
Nays: None

Absent: Graham, Ruiz, Sanders

Resolution adopted

  
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Cortney Lighthouse, Township Clerk

The undersigned, duly qualified and acting Township Clerk of the Charter Township of Lansing, Ingham County, Michigan, hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Board at a regular meeting held on January 14, 2025, the original of which resolution is a part of the Township Board's minutes, and further certifies that notice of the meeting was given to the public under the Open Meetings Act, 1976, PA 267, as amended.

  
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Cortney Lighthouse, Township Clerk