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Financial Notice

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Property Rates Rebate 2025/2026

Dear Residents,

With reference to the Council's Property Rates Policy, all applications for property rates rebates must be submitted not later than 29 November 2024 for the 2025/2026 financial year.

For budget purposes all qualifying organizations and individuals are kindly requested to **collect the necessary application form from any of the municipal administrative offices or Council's website www.stellenbosch.gov.za for submission on/before 29 November 2024 at the Rates Section.**

The under-mentioned organizations and individuals may qualify for a rebate:

- Non-Profit Organizations
- Senior Citizen (60 years and older) - Gross monthly income less than R17 000
- Disabled owners

SENIOR CITIZENS AND DISABLED PERSONS:
Copy of ID, proof of income and 3 months' bank statements reflecting all income sources

NON-PROFIT ORGANISATIONS:
SARS -, NPO registration where applicable, most recent audited financial statements and a valid tax clearance certificate or proof of tax compliance status

The municipality may verify the accuracy of all information.

APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED SHOULD SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION NOT BE INCLUDED.

IMPORTANT FOR SENIOR CITIZENS AND DISABLED PERSONS

Registered owners of properties who are senior citizens or who are disabled persons may qualify for a Property Rates Rebate according to gross monthly household income.

To qualify for the rebate referred to above, the applicant must be a natural person, registered as a South African citizen and be the owner of the property, which property satisfies the residential property requirements. If not a South African citizen the applicant **must submit proof of permanent residency** and in addition to the above-mentioned, the owner must also:

- Occupy the property as his/her normal residence; and
- Be at least 60 years of age, or in receipt of a disability pension from the Department of Social Development; and
- Be in receipt of a total monthly income from all sources (including financial contributions of all members of the household permanently residing at that property) not exceeding the highest income amount of the Property Rates Policy of Stellenbosch Municipality.

IMPORTANT FOR NON-PROFIT ORGANISATIONS

An organisation registered as a non-profit organisation (NPO) under the Non-Profit Organisations Act, 1997 (Act 71 of 1997) may qualify for a property rates percentage rebate according to the different levels of revenue before any expenses.

Organizations that are operated as not-for-gain (declared or registered by law) such as:

- Health and Welfare institutions
- Charitable institution
- Agricultural societies
- Cemeteries and crematoria
- War veterans

or organisations that execute activities as per **Item 6 (Cultural), Item 7 (Conservation, Environment and Animal Welfare) and Item 9 (Sport)** of part 1 of the Ninth Schedule to the Income Tax Act may receive a rebate. All organisations being privately controlled must be the owner of said properties.