

ATTENTION: All VFD Chiefs, Presidents and Members

- Ordinance No. 1960 Volunteer Tax Credit and Resolution No. 1-2021 Volunteer Tax Credit were passed by the Shaler Township Board of Commissioners on January 12, 2021. This ordinance and resolution now provide for a property tax credit/refund for qualified volunteers that have no earned income.
- This is **effective for your 2021 taxes** and will be filed with your 2021 earned income tax return or for your 2021 property tax. Property Tax refunds will not be given until February 10, 2022 when all certification information has been received and verified.
- To be eligible for the earned income tax credit or property tax credit you must meet a pre-defined set of criteria of volunteerism. The criteria is defined in (either the ordinance or resolution).
- If a member has earned income, then the member must take the earned income tax credit, regardless of income levels. Volunteers will not be permitted to choose their tax credit of choice. Only non-wages earners meeting the criteria will receive the property tax credit/refund.
- For the property tax credit/refund, you must be a property owner and listed as either an owner or co-owner of the primary residence. All property taxes must be current to be eligible for the credit/refund. Any delinquent tax owed must be settled prior to issuance of a refund.
- Qualified Members are only eligible for one or the other (earned income tax credit or property tax credit/refund). Credits cannot be split for any year.
- Earned income tax credit will be administered by Keystone Collections.
- Property tax credit will be administered by Shaler Township.

Note: The above is for informational purposes only.
All details are provided for in the ordinance and resolution.

