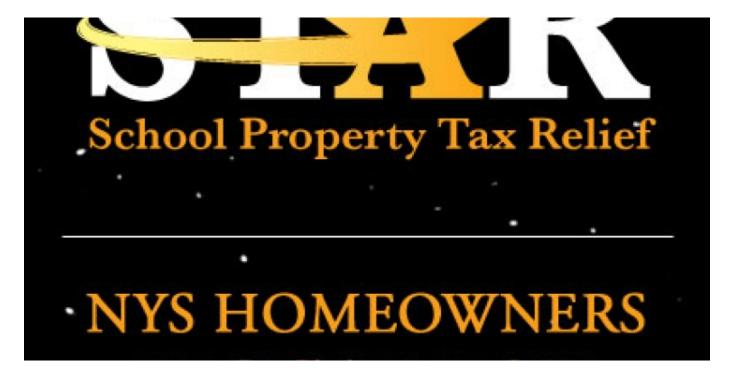


Over 94,000 Eligible Richmond County Homeowners Have Not Registered for Star

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According to recent data from the New York State Tax Department, 66% of Richmond County homeowners have yet to re-register for their Basic STAR exemption.

If you or someone you know is a homeowner that currently receives the Basic STAR exemption, please take the time to register or forward this important information. The registration deadline is December 31, 2013.

Click here to register for the Basic STAR exemption.

More than 2.6 million homeowners are receiving the Basic STAR exemption, saving hundreds of dollars annually.

Seniors receiving Enhanced STAR are not affected by the registration - they will continue to apply annually or

participate in the Income Verification Program.

Last year, a Tax Department study identified thousands of property owners who were receiving more than one STAR exemption on multiple properties. The new registration program was installed to protect homeowners from fraud and waste.