HOMESTEAD TAX EXEMPTION

If you qualify you may file for the exemption of the first \$50,000 of the fair market value of your home from property taxes at any time during the year.

IF YOU ARE -

<u>1.</u> Age 65 <u>on or before</u> December 31, preceding the tax year in which you wish to claim the exemption.

- 2. Totally and permanently disabled on or before December 31, preceding the tax year in which you wish to claim the exemption.
- **<u>3.</u>** Legally blind on or before December 31, preceding the tax year in which you wish to claim the exemption.
- 4. You are the surviving spouse of a person who was qualified for Homestead Exemption

YOU MUST BE - 1. A resident of South Carolina for at least one year <u>on or before</u> December 31, preceding the tax year in which you wish to claim the exemption.

<u>2.</u> Hold complete fee simple title or life estate to your primary residence (home or mobile home- must bring original title to mobile home)

<u>WHEN YOU APPLY</u> - Proof of your eligibility is required

- **<u>1.</u>** If you are applying due to age, bring your social security card and drivers license
- **<u>2.</u>** If you are applying due to disability, bring awards letter from the state or federal agency certifying the disability
- 3. If you are applying due to blindness, bring documentation from a licensed ophthalmologist