

Brown County Treasurer's office: County Treasurer highlights lottery credit month

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(Brown County, Wis.) — The Brown County Treasurer's office is recognizing March as Lottery Credit Awareness Month.

“We're asking all eligible property owners to review their 2018 real estate tax bill to ensure they received this important credit,” says Paul Zeller, Brown County Treasurer. “Last year, the average lottery credit in Brown County was about \$150. If you got the credit properly on your 2018 tax bill, you don't need to do anything to earn the credit on your 2019 tax bill.”

If you are an eligible property owner who did not receive the credit on your 2018 property tax bill, the Brown County Treasurer's office will assist you in filing the late 2018 claim form with the Wisconsin Department of Revenue. If you were not a resident of your property on January 1, 2018, but were as of January 1, 2019, the Treasurer's Office will also assist in completing the form to ensure that the credit is applied to your 2019 and future property tax bills.

This lottery credit can only be obtained by having a signed application on file. Please contact our lottery credit specialist at (920) 448-7620 with any questions.

To qualify for the lottery and gaming credit, the property owner must be a Wisconsin resident and must use the dwelling as their primary residence as of the certification date (January 1). If temporarily absent, typically for a period no longer

than 6 months (hospital, vacation, incarcerated, etc.), it is the home to which the property owner returns. A property owner may claim only one primary residence [sec.79.10 (1) (dm), (9) (bm), Wis. Stats.]. Rental properties are not eligible for the lottery credit and should have current lottery credits removed.

Lottery credit applications and instructions can be obtained online also at:

<https://www.revenue.wi.gov/Pages/Form/lottery-home.aspx>