

## **Possible Property Tax Reduction for Homeowners**

As part of Act 1 of 2006, each year by May 1st, the State Secretary of the Budget must certify if there are enough funds to provide homeowners with property tax relief. There may be enough money in the Property Tax Relief Fund for the 2022-23 tax year that begins on July 1, 2022, to offer this relief again.

To receive this tax reduction, which comes in the form of a homestead/ farmstead assessment reduction, the homeowner must have an approved homestead/farmstead application on file with the York County Assessment Office by March 1, 2023. In December 2022, as required under Act 1, the District sent out a homestead/farmstead application to any residential property that was not currently approved as a homestead/farmstead. This application needs to be completed and returned to the County by March 1, 2023, to determine if your property is an eligible homestead/farmstead property. Unfortunately, per the Act, properties acquired after the March 1st deadline must wait until the following year to qualify for an exclusion.

If you have submitted an application in the past, received approval for your property, and your primary residence has not changed, that approval is still good. If you are unsure whether your property is on the approved list of homesteads/farmsteads you may check by accessing the website via [www.sycsd.org](http://www.sycsd.org) and navigating to Tax Information. There will be a link to put in your property information to check to see if your property has been approved.