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## Resolution Adopting Federal Poverty Guidelines

January 19, 2026  
Resolution 2026-04

Whereas: The Board of trustees of the Township of Baroda wishes to make available a poverty exemption program to anyone eligible. And,

Whereas: The Baroda Township Board wishes to use the poverty guidelines set forth by the Federal Government,

Therefore: Let it be resolved that the Baroda Township Board does hereby adopt by resolution the Federal Poverty Guidelines for 2026 assessments.

<u>Size of Family</u>	<u>Poverty Guidelines</u>
1	15,650.00
2	21,150.00
3	26,650.00
4	32,150.00
5	37,650.00
6	43,150.00
7	48,650.00
8	54,150.00
For each additional person, add	5,500.00

Baroda Township Asset level test (PA 390 of 1994)

- Claimant may not exceed one vehicle per licensed driver in the household.
- Claimant may not exceed \$5,000 of value in assets, excluding homestead and vehicles.

2026 Board of Review Adoption of Federal Poverty Guidelines and  
Asset Level Test

Certificate of Resolution Adoption

Resolution offered by Board member – Dennis Krotzer

Seconded by member – William Hurst

Voting Yes- William Hurst, David Wolf, Dennis Krotzer, Christina Price

Voting No – None

Absent – Larry Klug

Resolution 2026-04 Declared adopted on January 19, 2026



Christina Price, Baroda Township Clerk

## Application and Affirmation for MCL 211.7u Poverty Exemption

This form is issued under the authority of the General Property Tax Act, Public Act 206 of 1893, MCL 211.7u.

MCL 211.7u of the General Property Tax Act, Public Act 206 of 1893, provides a property tax exemption for the principal residence of persons who, by reason of poverty, are unable to contribute toward the public charges. This application is to be used to apply for the exemption and must be filed with the Board of Review where the property is located. This application may be submitted to the city or township where the property is located in each year on or after January 1 but before the day prior to the last day of the board of review. Poverty Exemptions may be heard by the Board of Review during its March, July, and December sessions.

**To be considered complete, this application must:** 1) be completed in its entirety, 2) include information regarding all members residing within the household, and 3) include all required documentation as listed within the application. Please write legibly and attach additional pages as necessary.

<b>PART 1: PERSONAL INFORMATION</b> — Petitioner must list all required personal information.	
Petitioner's Name <span style="float:right">Daytime Phone Number</span>	
Age of Petitioner	Marital Status
Age of Spouse	Number of Legal Dependents
Property Address of Principal Residence	City
	State
	ZIP Code
<b>PART 2: REAL ESTATE INFORMATION</b>	
List the real estate information related to your principal residence. Be prepared to provide a deed, land contract or other evidence of ownership of the property at the Board of Review meeting.	
Property Parcel Identification Number	Name of Mortgage Company
Unpaid Balance Owed on Principal Residence	Monthly Payment
	Length of Time at this Residence
Property Description	
<b>PART 3: AFFIRMATION OF OWNERSHIP, OCCUPANCY, AND INCOME STATUS</b> (Check all boxes that apply.)	
<input type="checkbox"/> I own the property in which the exemption is being claimed.	
<input type="checkbox"/> The property in which the exemption is being claimed is used as my homestead. Homestead is generally defined as any dwelling with its land and buildings where a family makes its home.	
<b>PART 4: ADDITIONAL PROPERTY INFORMATION</b>	
List information related to any other property owned by you or any member residing in the household.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Check if you own, or are buying, other property. If checked, complete the information below.	
Amount of Income Earned from other Property	
Property Address	City
	State
	ZIP Code
1	Name of Owner(s)
	Assessed Value
	Date of Last Taxes Paid
	Amount of Taxes Paid
Property Address	City
	State
	ZIP Code
2	Name of Owner(s)
	Assessed Value
	Date of Last Taxes Paid
	Amount of Taxes Paid

**PART 5: EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION** — List your current employment information.

Name of Employer			
Address of Employer		City	State
Contact Person		Employer Telephone Number	
		ZIP Code	

**PART 6: INCOME SOURCES**

List all income sources, including but not limited to: salaries, Social Security, rents, pensions, IRAs (individual retirement accounts), unemployment compensation, disability, government pensions, worker's compensation, dividends, claims and judgments from lawsuits, alimony, child support, friend or family contribution, reverse mortgage, or any other source of income, for all persons residing at the property.

Source of Income	Monthly or Annual Income (indicate which)

**PART 7: CHECKING, SAVINGS AND INVESTMENT INFORMATION**

List any and all savings owned by all household members, including but not limited to: checking accounts, savings accounts, postal savings, credit union shares, certificates of deposit, cash, stocks, bonds, or similar investments, for all persons residing at the property.

Name of Financial Institution or Investments	Amount on Deposit	Current Interest Rate	Name on Account	Value of Investment

**PART 8: LIFE INSURANCE** — List all policies held by all household members.

Name of Insured	Amount of Policy	Monthly Payments	Policy Paid in Full	Name of Beneficiary	Relationship to Insured

**PART 9: MOTOR VEHICLE INFORMATION**

All motor vehicles (including motorcycles, motor homes, camper trailers, etc.) held or owned by any person residing within the household must be listed.

Make	Year	Monthly Payment	Balance Owed



**NOTICE:** Per MCL 211.7u(2)(b), federal and state income tax returns for all persons residing in the principal residence, including any property tax credit returns, filed in the immediately preceding year or in the current year must be submitted with this application. Federal and state income tax returns are not required for a person residing in the principal residence if that person was not required to file a federal or state income tax return in the tax year in which the exemption under this section is claimed or in the immediately preceding tax year.

**PART 13: POLICY AND GUIDELINES ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

The governing body of the local assessing unit shall determine and make available to the public the policy and guidelines used for the granting of exemptions under MCL 211.7u. In order to be eligible for the exemption, the applicant must meet the federal poverty guidelines published in the prior calendar year in the Federal Register by the United States Department of Health and Human Services under its authority to revise the poverty line under 42 USC 9902, or alternative guidelines adopted by the governing body of the local assessing unit so long as the alternative guidelines do not provide income eligibility requirements less than the federal guidelines. The policy and guidelines must include, but are not limited to, the specific income and asset levels of the claimant and total household income and assets. The combined assets of all persons must not exceed the limits set forth in the guidelines adopted by the local assessing unit.

The applicant has reviewed the applicable policy and guidelines adopted by the city or township, including the specific income and asset levels of the claimant and total household income and assets.

**PART 14: LEGAL DESIGNEE INFORMATION (Complete if applicable.)**

Legal Designee Name		Daytime Telephone Number	
Mailing Address		City	State ZIP Code

**PART 15: CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify to the best of my knowledge that the information provided in this form is complete, accurate and I am eligible for the exemption from property taxes pursuant to Michigan Compiled Law, Section 211.7u.

Printed Name	Signature	Date
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**This application shall be filed after January 1, but before the day prior to the last day of the local unit's December Board of Review.**

**Decision of the March Board of Review may be appealed by petition to the Michigan Tax Tribunal by July 31 of the current year. A July or December Board of Review decision may be appealed to the Michigan Tax Tribunal by petition within 30 days of decision. A copy of the Board of Review decision must be included with the petition.**

Michigan Tax Tribunal  
 PO Box 30232  
 Lansing MI 48909

Phone: 517-335-9760

Email: [taxtrib@michigan.gov](mailto:taxtrib@michigan.gov)

## Poverty Exemption Affidavit

This form is issued under authority of Public Act 206 of 1893; MCL 211.7u.

**INSTRUCTIONS:** When completed, this document must accompany a taxpayer's Application for Poverty Exemption filed with the supervisor or the board of review of the local unit where the property is located. MCL 211.7u provides for a whole or partial property tax exemption on the principal residence of an owner of the property by reason of poverty and the inability to contribute toward the public charges. MCL 211.7u(2)(b) requires proof of eligibility for the exemption be provided to the board of review by supplying copies of federal and state income tax returns for all persons residing in the principal residence, including property tax credit returns, or by filing an affidavit for all persons residing in the residence who were not required to file federal or state income tax returns for the current or preceding tax year.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, swear and affirm by my signature below that I reside in the principal residence that is the subject of this Application for Poverty Exemption and that for the current tax year and the preceding tax year, I was not required to file a federal or state income tax return.

Address of Principal Residence: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Person Making Affidavit \_\_\_\_\_ Date