



# Village of Skokie

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## **For Immediate Release** **Public Information Division**

### **Circuit Breaker and Illinois Cares Rx Program**

To maintain benefits, senior citizens and other eligible residents must complete the Circuit Breaker and Illinois Cares RX program applications each year. Applications are available through the Human Services Division and can easily be done online. Please contact the Human Services Division for an appointment if you need assistance with the applications that must be received by December 31, 2009.

Skokie residents may qualify for a refund on property taxes, rent, or nursing home charges through the Circuit Breaker program. In addition, residents may qualify for help to pay for certain prescription medicines through the Illinois Cares RX Program. Residents must meet one of the following qualifications to participate in this program:

- Residents must have been 65 years of age or older before January 1, 2010; or
- Residents must become 65 years of age during 2010 (for a partial grant); or
- Residents must have been 16 years of age or older before January 1, 2010 and totally disabled; or
- Residents must be a widow or widower who turned 63 years of age before the deceased claimant's death; and
- Residents must have lived in an Illinois residence in 2009 that was subject to property or mobile home tax; and
- Residents must live in Illinois at the time the claim is filed for relief; and
- A one-person household must have an income of \$25,532 or less; a two-person household must have a combined income of \$33,877 or less; a three-person household must have a combined income of \$42,220 or less

Those enrolled in the Circuit Breaker Program are encouraged to apply for an RTA reduced-fare card at the Skokie Village Clerk's Office which is a registered application center with the state. The office is located on the first floor of Village Hall, 5127 Oakton Street, Skokie, Illinois and is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For further information contact the Human Services Division at 847/933-8208 or visit the [Illinois Department on Aging's website](http://www.cbrx.il.gov/) <http://www.cbrx.il.gov/> for program details and how to apply.

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