

Press Release

RENT REIMBURSEMENT

Siouxland Aging Services will be providing free application assistance to seniors and disabled persons who qualify for the Iowa Department of Revenue's Rent Reimbursement Program. This program provides up to \$1,000 to renters who meet specific qualifications.

Assistance will be provided at the Siouxland Aging Services office, 2301 Pierce Street, by appointment only, on January 17, 20, 24, & 27 and February 1 & 2. Siouxland Aging will also provide help at the Morningside branch library, 4005 Morningside Avenue, on January 23rd from 10 a.m. to noon. For an appointment and a list of the applicable information required, contact Siouxland Aging at 712-279-6900 or 800-798-6919.

Who is eligible? Iowa residents can file a claim for reimbursement of rent paid if the total household income is less than \$20,906 and they meet at least one of the following conditions:

1. Those 65 of age or older by December 31, 2011, or
2. Those totally disabled and 18-64 years of age by December 31, 2011

Married couples, if living together, are considered one household and may file only one claim and must combine their incomes. If they do not live together they may file separate claims. If two or more persons live together and qualify for a reimbursement, each person may file a claim based on each person's income and each person's portion of the rent.

Persons are not eligible if the rental unit or nursing home in which they resided was not subject to property tax during 2011. Tax status information can be provided by the landlord, administrator or county or city assessor. Only the rent paid during the period of time the property was in a taxable status can be used in computing the reimbursement.

Siouxland Aging Services enables seniors (ages 60+) to live with maximum possible dignity, well-being, and independence. For more information, please contact us at 712-279-6900, 800-798-6916 or www.siouxlandaging.org.