

EMERGENCY SNOW REMOVAL FOR HINCKLEY TOWNSHIP SENIORS
APPLICATION PROCESS BEGINS OCTOBER 1st

The Emergency Snow Removal Program for Hinckley Township seniors will begin accepting applications for the 2016-2017 Season on October 1, 2016. The application process is an annual process, **therefore; even if an individual qualified in 2015 they must still apply for 2016.**

This program is supported by the Hinckley Fire Department Community Benefit Fund, Inc. and administered by Hinckley Township and provides a packet of vouchers to qualified seniors (65 and up) or a **Disabled Person as defined in the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. 42 U.S.C. 12102.** The vouchers are then remitted to a pre-approved snow removal contractor for emergency snow removal.

Last year the program provided service to over 35 qualifying households.

Application may be made through the Hinckley Township Administrative Office (330-278-2071). Office hours are Mondays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesday – Thursday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Fridays from 9 a.m. to noon.

Those qualifying must meet the following requirements:

- Must be the owner of the single-family dwelling and sixty-five (65) years or older or disabled.
- Must be within the following income levels:
 - Reside in a one-person household with a 2015 total income of \$23,540.00 or less.
 - Reside in a two-person household with a combined 2015 total income of \$31,860.00 or less.
 - Reside in a three-person household with a combined 2015 total income of \$40,180.00 or less.(In the event of a recent passing of a spouse, 2015 total income will be reviewed and considered.)
- Must be occupying the home at the time of service. *The program is not to be used to provide the illusion of occupancy while on vacation.*

All individuals residing in the household must provide (for viewing purposes only) a copy of their 2015 Federal Tax Form 1040 as verification of total income.

Please note that the program qualifications will no longer be determined by adjusted gross income, but by a total income level determined within the Income section of the 1040 Form. For individuals presenting 1040 (long form) total income shall include lines 7-14, 15a, 16a, 17-19, 20a and 21. For individuals presenting a 1040A Form total income shall include lines 7-10, 11a, 12a, 13 and 14a.

These changes are required to ensure that the service is provided to those applicants who qualify for the program.

Additional questions may be directed to the Township at 330-278-2071.