EXEMPTION AND DISCOUNT REQUIREMENTS

Homestead  Every person who owns and resides on real property in Florida on January 1, makes the property his or her permanent residence, and files an application, may receive a property tax exemption up to $50,000. The first $25,000 applies to all property taxes. The added $25,000 applies to assessed value over $50,000 and only to non-school taxes.

Your local property appraiser will determine whether you are eligible. The appraiser may consider information such as the items requested on the bottom of page 1.

Save our Homes (SOH)  Beginning the year after you receive homestead exemption, the assessment on your home cannot increase by more than the lesser of the change in the Consumer Price Index or 3% each year, no matter how much the just value increases. If you have moved from one Florida homestead to another within the last two years, you may be eligible to take some of your SOH savings with you. See your property appraiser for more information.

This page does not contain all the requirements that determine your eligibility for an exemption. Consult your local property appraiser and Chapter 196, Florida Statutes, for details.

### Added Benefits Available for Qualified Homestead Properties

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*Department of Revenue (DR) forms are available at http://dor.myflorida.com/dor/property/forms/
*DVA is the US Department of Veterans Affairs or its predecessor.**SSA is the Social Security Administration.