

# Franklin County Board of Revision (BOR) Pro Bono Assistance Program



## **Homeowner Information Sheet**

The Franklin County Board of Revision (BOR) Pro Bono Assistance Program (the Program) is designed to help low-to-moderate income homeowners file a complaint against the valuation of their owner-occupied home with the BOR. The Program consists of filing clinics and referral for possible further representation. Filing a BOR complaint allows you to contest your assigned property value used for taxation purposes. The program will be hosted virtually through Zoom. If digital access is limited, phone calls are available.

**Phonebanks:** 

## Sign-up for one of the Zoom Clinics or Phonebanks below:

**Zoom Clinics:** 

#### February 22nd 3:00pm-5:00pm March 3rd 3:00pm-5:00pm February 25th 12:00pm-2:00pm March 8th 12:00pm-2:00pm March 2nd 6:00pm-8:00pm March 11th 6:00pm-8:00pm March 6th 10:00am-12:00pm March 13th 10:00am-12:00pm March 10th 5:00pm-7:00pm March 14th 1:00pm-3:00pm

To register, complete the online registration form (link below) **OR** call 614-525-HOME.

Registration Form: <a href="https://forms.gle/b4ksLudwiHLfJ9tr8">https://forms.gle/b4ksLudwiHLfJ9tr8</a>

### **Preparing for the Clinic:**

More information about your property can be found on the Franklin County Auditor's property search webpage at <a href="http://property.franklincountyauditor.com/">http://property.franklincountyauditor.com/</a>. During the clinic, volunteer attorneys and real estate professionals will provide guidance about your home's appraised value set by the Auditor, whether you should contest the value, and how much you should file for.

### Filing with the Board of Revision

If you disagree with the appraised value of your home, you can file a complaint (DTE 1 form) with the Franklin County Auditor's Office before March 31, 2021. Volunteers can assist with completing this form. Complaints can be filed online or via regular mail.

Once a complaint is received and reviewed by the Auditor's Office, a hearing is scheduled either with the BOR or the Auditor's Mediation program to assist in reaching an agreement regarding your valuation dispute. The hearing may be conducted virtually, and mediations can be handled by phone.

Note: If you file to change the property's current value by \$50,000 (\$17,500 in taxable value) or more, state law requires that the county auditor inform the school district in which the property is located.

## Representation at the Board of Revision

The clinic is an option for those at or below 400% of the federal poverty level. Those at 200% or below may be able to be represented at no charge through the Legal Aid Society of Columbus. We will also assist those between 200-400% with referrals to local attorneys that may charge a sliding scale amount for representation or you can represent yourself.

Persons in Household	1	2	3	4	5
200% FPL	\$25,520	\$34,480	\$43,440	\$52,400	\$61,360
400% FPL	\$51,040	\$68,960	\$86,880	\$104,800	\$122,720