

## **New Process for BC Home Owner Grant**

The home owner grant is available to eligible homeowners who pay property taxes. All home owner grant applications must now be submitted directly to the BC provincial government through a secure online application. Municipalities are no longer able to accept home owner grant applications.

This new system helps to ensure homeowners receive their full grant entitlement, including the additional grant for seniors or persons with a disability. It also helps process applications faster and reduce fraudulent applications.

The province is now accepting current year and retroactive grants online. Homeowners can apply for their current year or their retroactive home owner grants online at [gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant](http://gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant). Note that while a homeowner can apply for their current year grant, the application will not be processed until taxes are levied in May; they will remain in a hold status.

If homeowners prefer to apply over the phone, please contact the centre toll free at 1 888 355 2700 to speak with an agent.

Questions about this change may be found online at [gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant](http://gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant) or by calling toll free to 1 888 355 2700 to speak with an agent. Homeowners may also subscribe to receive updates at [gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant](http://gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant)

###

### **For more information:**

Deb Tardiff, Manager of Communications

[dtardiff@parksville.ca](mailto:dtardiff@parksville.ca); 250 954-3073