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## APPLICATION FOR ASSISTANCE

## Please complete and return by October 15.

All portions of this application must be completed in full. Christmas in April reserves the right to reject incomplete applications. If necessary, get help so that rejection for incompleteness does not occur.

Christmas in April St. Mary's County, Inc. is a volunteer organization that, in partnership with the community, rehabilitates the houses of low-income homeowners, particularly the elderly and disabled, so that they may live in warmth, safety and independence. We also provide help through work on community facilities.

After months of extensive planning and preparation, our work occurs primarily in the month of April, culminating in a Neighbors helping Neighbors Day, the last Saturday in April. Volunteers work for six to eight hours and **may not be able to complete all repairs desired**. If your home is chosen for the Christmas in April program, there will never be a charge for our service.

Name(s) and Age(s) of Homeowner(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address:

Mailing Address (if different from Street Address):

Homeowner's Telephone Number:

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

**Directions** (Exact, detailed road directions-and landmarks-to your home)

Directions to your home:

List names and ages of all persons residing in the home (homeowner must reside full-time in the home):

| Name | Age | Disability, if any |
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If <u>homeowner</u> is disabled, indicate special needs (wheelchair or walker, hearing impaired, sight, etc.

The total combined income for the occupant(s) of this home is:

<u>\$</u> Income (per month) We need to know the income of everyone who lives in this home.

Are you, or anyone else residing in your home, presently working at a job?

\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No If yes, where

Do you, or anyone living with you, operate a business from your home?

Besides this money from income, do you, as homeowner(s) have any other source of funds? For example: savings accounts, trust accounts, annuities, etc.? If so, explain:

Christmas in April St. Mary's County does not work on a home where (a) the homeowner cannot show proof of ownership; (b) repairs needed are beyond the scope of what our volunteers can repair in a one-day period; or (c) there are unsafe conditions found to be in the applicant's home. Christmas in April St. Mary's will research public records to verify information given on this application and in follow-up to the House Selection Committee members house inspections. These public records could include: (1) land records; (2) financial records; and (3) law enforcement records.

Have you ever received rehabilitation assistance (for example: weatherization)

\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

If so, from whom?

Have you received assistance from Christmas in April in the past?

\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

If so, in what year did you receive assistance?

Why do you feel you should be selected for the Christmas in April program and how will it help you? Please give us information about yourself that will be helpful in evaluating your application.

| Widowed Unemployed        | Unable to work Veteran                              |
|---------------------------|---|
| Disabled Widow of Veteran | Other (i.e., single parent, family member disabled) |

What repairs do you feel are needed at your house that Christmas in April could handle in <u>one</u> day?

| Roofing repairs    | Painting                         | Plumbing Repairs   |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Electrical repairs | Appliances                       | Flooring   |
| Heating repairs    | Cleaning<br>(Indoor/<br>Outdoor) | Trash Removal/ Handicap Access/<br>Yard work Renovations |
| Weather stripping  | Window/<br>Door Repair           | Other  |

What is your category of residence?

\_\_\_\_ Trailer \_\_\_\_ Townhouse \_\_\_\_ Single-family dwelling \_\_\_\_ Double-wide

If you are selected by the Christmas in April program, would you be willing to have your picture taken and/or be interviewed by the press (for example: <u>The Enterprise</u>) or Christmas in April volunteers? <u>Yes</u> No

**Please Sign:** I confirm that any persons residing in my home or visiting for the project day, , who are **physically able** will work alongside volunteers. In addition, I own the property at the address given, can produce **mortgage payment book**, **deed**, **property tax receipt**, or **other documents** as proof of ownership **on the day my home is previewed**. I also state that my home is not in foreclosure at this time. I state that I personally reside in my home. I also agree that if chosen for help with home repairs, I (or my representative) will attend the March homeowner meeting.

Signature of Homeowner\_\_\_\_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_\_

If someone other than the homeowner prepares or helps prepare this form, please complete the following:

Is the homeowner aware of this application? Yes No

Name of person preparing, assisting, or referring this application:

Name

Daytime Phone Number

Agency or Relationship to Applicant

Signature

Christmas in April St. Mary's County does not deny equal services to any applicant because of their race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin.