

City of Douglas

# Memo

**To:** City of Douglas Board

**From:** Anthony Meyaard, Assessor

**Date:** January 2, 2025

**Re:** Approval of the 2026 Poverty Exemption guidelines

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PA 253 of 2020 amended MCL 211.7u which requires the City Board to approve and adopt Poverty Exemption Guidelines on an annual basis. The attached resolution and policy has been updated with the income levels as approved by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for 2026.

In addition, you will find the new Poverty Exemption Application as approved by the State Tax Commission. In the past we created and used our own application but since the passage of PA 253 of 2020 we must now use the State approved form.

I respectfully request City Board approval of the attached poverty exemption resolution and guidelines in order to stay in compliance of MCL 211.7u

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony Meyaard  
City of Douglas Assessor