



**APPLICATION FOR ECONOMIC HARDSHIP ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
FISCAL YEAR 2022-23
NON-AD VALOREM FIRE ASSESSMENT
(Application Deadline – March 31, 2023)**

PLEASE READ THE ENTIRE APPLICATION FORM CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING APPLICATION

AUTHORITY

In accordance with Ordinance 2022-44, the City of Groveland has created an Economic Hardship Assistance Program to assist institutional organizations, who meet the eligibility criteria, with the financial burden created by the imposition of the Non-Ad Valorem Fire Assessment.

REQUIRED INFORMATION

In order to apply for hardship reimbursement assistance under the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Non-Ad Valorem Fire Assessment program, the applicant shall file with the City this application which provides the following required information necessary to demonstrate entitlement to hardship assistance (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY):

To qualify for Economic Hardship Assistance:

- (1) The applicant must provide a letter, on organization letter head, that explains (qualitatively and quantitatively) how the organization benefits the citizens of Groveland, why the non-ad valorem fire assessment is a financial hardship on the institution, and how this financial hardship will negatively impact the services provided to the citizens of Groveland (qualitatively and quantitatively).
- (2) Between December 1, 2022 and March 31, 2023, the applicant shall file with the City's Finance Department an application demonstrating entitlement to hardship reimbursement assistance. Such application shall include the following:

1. Name and address of all Owners of the Property:

Owner Name: _____ Owner Address: _____

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2. Property Physical Address and Tax Parcel ID Number of the Property:

Telephone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Property Physical Address: _____

Tax Parcel ID #: _____

3. Proof of payment – This is a reimbursement program so your 2022 property tax bill must show paid on the Lake County Tax Collector's website. City staff will verify that the 2022 property tax bill has been paid in full on the Tax Collector's website.

4. By signing below, the authorized signatory(ies) of the organization represents that it is entitled to the hardship reimbursement assistance and that it has the present intent to maintain such property as its primary location for operations for the remainder of the Fiscal Year.
5. The applicant shall furnish such other information relating to the application as may be reasonably requested.

*****PLEASE NOTE THE LAKE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR WILL NOT ACCEPT ANY PARTIAL PAYMENTS AND YOUR TAX BILL MUST BE PAID IN FULL AT TIME OF PAYMENT. *****

APPROVAL PROCEDURE

Eligibility for hardship assistance will be submitted to the City of Groveland's Finance Department and a determination will be based upon the attached information.

The Finance Department shall, within fifteen (15) days after the filing of such application, review the application and supporting documentation in order to determine if the applicant is qualified for hardship assistance. If an applicant is approved for hardship assistance, the City shall pay 100% of the Non-Ad Valorem Fire Assessment according to the payment option selected above. Assistance will be on a first-come, first-served basis and subject to funding availability.

AFFIDAVIT

I hereby swear or affirm that the information I have provided in this application, and in any accompanying paperwork, is true and correct.

Owner Signature

Date

SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATION and SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS TO:

City of Groveland
Attn: Finance Department
156 S. Lake Avenue
Groveland, Florida 34376
(352) 730-9263