

Maryland Individual Tax Credits

- a. **CREDITS FOR INCOME TAXES PAID TO OTHER STATES.** If you have income subject to tax in Maryland and subject to tax in another state and/or another state's locality, you may be eligible for a tax credit. **Note:** You must attach a copy of Form 502CR and required documentation. If this is not attached, no credit will be allowed. See Administrative Release 42 for required documentation.
- b. **CREDIT FOR CHILD AND DEPENDENT CARE EXPENSES.** If you were eligible for a Child and Dependent Care Credit on your federal income tax return and your income is below certain thresholds, you are entitled to a tax credit equal to a percentage of the federal credit. **You may also be entitled to a refundable credit.** See Form 502CR Instructions.
- c. **QUALITY TEACHER INCENTIVE CREDIT.** If you are a qualified teacher who paid tuition to take graduate level courses required to maintain certification, you may be eligible for a tax credit.
- d. **CREDIT FOR AQUACULTURE OYSTER FLOATS.** If you purchased a new aquaculture oyster float during the tax year, you may be entitled to a credit of up to \$500 for the cost of the float.
- e. **LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE CREDIT.** If you paid a premium for a long-term care insurance policy for yourself or certain Maryland resident family members, you may be eligible for a tax credit.
- f. **CREDIT FOR PRESERVATION AND CONSERVATION EASEMENTS.** Individuals may be eligible for a tax credit for an easement conveyed to the Maryland Environmental Trust, the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation, or the Maryland Department of Natural Resources to preserve open space, natural resources, agriculture, forest land, watersheds, significant ecosystems, view sheds or historic properties. Individuals who are eligible to claim the Credit for Preservation and Conservation Easements and who are not PTE members must claim this credit on Part F of the Form 502CR. PTE members who are eligible for this credit must electronically claim the credit on Form 500CR.
- g. **VENISON DONATION - FEED THE HUNGRY ORGANIZATIONS TAX CREDIT.** Individuals who hunt and harvest an antlerless deer in compliance with State hunting laws and regulations, and donate the processed meat to a venison donation program administered by a qualified tax-exempt organization, may claim a credit against their State personal income tax for up to \$50 of qualified expenses to butcher and process an antlerless deer for human consumption. The total amount of the credits may not exceed \$200 in any taxable year unless the individual harvested each deer in accordance with a deer management permit. Any unused portion of the qualified expenses may not be carried over to another taxable year. This credit may be claimed on Part G of Form 502CR.
- h. **COMMUNITY INVESTMENT TAX CREDIT.** Businesses that contribute to approved Neighborhood and Community Assistance Programs may be eligible for a tax credit of 50% of approved contributions with a maximum credit of \$250,000 on Form 500CR (See Line 25 Instructions, letter code d). Individuals who make a nonbusiness contribution may also be eligible for this tax credit, and may elect to claim this credit on Part H of Form 502CR instead of Form 500CR. The credit **may not** be claimed on **both** Form 500CR and Form 502CR. PTE members may claim this credit on Form 500CR (See Line 25 Instructions, letter code d).
- i. **ENDOW MARYLAND TAX CREDIT.** Businesses and individuals that donate \$500 of cash or publicly traded securities to a qualified permanent endowment fund at an eligible community foundation may be eligible for a tax credit of 25% of the approved donation with a maximum credit of \$50,000 on Form 500CR (See Line 25 instructions, letter code q). Individuals who make an approved donation may also be eligible for this tax credit, and may elect to claim this credit on Part I of Form 502CR instead of Form 500CR. The credit **may not** be

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claimed on **both** Form 500CR and Form 502CR. PTE members may claim this credit on Form 500CR (See Line 25 Instructions, letter code q).

Note: If you claim the Endow Maryland tax credit, the amount of approved donations which qualify you for this credit is an addition to income and must be included on line 5. (See Instruction 12, letter code e).

j. PRECEPTORS IN AREAS WITH HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE SHORTAGES TAX CREDIT. If you are a qualified licensed physician, a **qualified physician assistant**, or a qualified nurse practitioner who served without compensation as a preceptor, you may be eligible to claim a nonrefundable credit against your State tax liability.

k. INDEPENDENT LIVING TAX CREDIT. An individual may claim a credit against their Maryland State income tax equal to 50% of the qualified expenses incurred during a taxable year to install accessibility and universal visitability features to or within a home.

The qualified expenses incurred must be certified by the Department of Housing and Community Development. See Form 502CR Instructions.

i. ENDOWMENTS OF MARYLAND HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES TAX CREDIT. Taxpayers making donations to a qualified permanent fund held at an eligible institution of higher education (Bowie State University, Coppin State University, Morgan State University or University of Maryland Eastern Shore), may be eligible for a credit of 25% of the amount of donations. Taxpayers who make an approved donation and certified as eligible for this tax credit may claim the credit on Part L of Form 502CR instead of Form 500CR. The credit **should not** be claimed on **both** Form 500CR and Form 502CR.

m. SENIOR TAX CREDIT. SB405, Acts of 2022, creates a tax credit for Maryland residents who are at least age 65. If the taxpayer's federal adjusted gross income does not exceed \$100,000, the amount of the tax credit is equal to \$1,000. For married filing jointly,

qualifying widow(er), and head of household whose federal adjusted gross income does not exceed \$150,000, the credit amount is \$1,750 (reduced to \$1,000 if only one spouse filing jointly is at least age 65).

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- a. ENTERPRISE ZONE TAX CREDIT.** Businesses located in an enterprise zone may be eligible for tax credits based upon wages paid to qualifying employees.
- b. MARYLAND DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT TAX CREDIT.** Businesses employing persons with disabilities as certified by the State Department of Education or veterans with disabilities as certified by the Maryland Department of Labor may be eligible for tax credits based upon wages paid, child care, and transportation expenses paid on behalf of those employees.
- c. JOB CREATION TAX CREDIT.** Certain businesses that create new qualified positions in Maryland may be eligible for a tax credit based on the number of qualified positions created or wages paid for these positions.
- d. COMMUNITY INVESTMENT TAX CREDIT.** Businesses that contribute to approved Neighborhood and Community Assistance Programs may be eligible for a tax credit of 50% of approved contributions with a maximum credit of \$250,000. Individuals who make a nonbusiness contribution may also be eligible for this tax credit, and may elect to claim this credit on Form 502CR instead of Form 500CR (See Line 24 Instructions, letter code h). The credit **may not** be claimed on **both** Form 500CR and Form 502CR. PTE members may claim this credit on Form 500CR.
- e. BUSINESSES THAT CREATE NEW JOBS TAX CREDIT.** Certain businesses located in Maryland that create new positions or establish or expand business facilities in the state may be entitled to an income tax credit if a property tax credit is granted by Baltimore City or any county or municipal corporation of Maryland.
- f. EMPLOYER-PROVIDED LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE TAX CREDIT.** A credit may be claimed for costs incurred by an employer who provides long-term care insurance as part of an employee benefit package.
- g. RESERVED.**
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- i. RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT TAX CREDIT.** Businesses may claim a credit for certain qualified research and development expenses.
- j. COMMUTER TAX CREDIT.** Businesses may claim a credit for the cost of providing qualifying commuter benefits to the business entities' employees.
- k. RESERVED.**
- l. ONE MARYLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TAX CREDIT.** Businesses may claim a credit against the project cost to establish, relocate or expand a business in a Tier I county in Maryland.
- m. OYSTER SHELL RECYCLING TAX CREDIT.** An individual or business may claim a credit in an amount of \$5 for each bushel of oyster shells recycled during the taxable year with a maximum credit of \$1,500.
- n. ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEMS TAX CREDIT.** An individual or business may claim a credit for certain costs to install an energy storage system paid or incurred during the taxable year.
- o. CYBERSECURITY INCENTIVE TAX CREDIT.** A credit may be claimed by a buyer of cybersecurity technology or cybersecurity services, subject to certain maximum amounts.
- p. RESERVED.**
- q. ENDOW MARYLAND TAX CREDIT.** Businesses that donate \$500 of cash or publicly traded securities to a qualified permanent endowment fund at an eligible community foundation may be eligible for a tax credit of 25% of the approved donation with a maximum credit of \$50,000. Individuals who make an approved donation may also be eligible for this tax credit, and may elect to claim this credit on Form 502CR instead of Form 500CR (See Line 24 Instructions, letter code i). The credit **may not** be claimed on **both** Form 500CR and Form 502CR. PTE members may claim this credit on Form 500CR.
- r. RESERVED.**
- s. CREDIT FOR PRESERVATION AND CONSERVATION EASEMENTS.** Members of a Pass-Through Entity (PTE) may be eligible for a tax credit for an easement conveyed to the Maryland Environmental Trust, the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation, or the Maryland Department of Natural Resources to preserve open space, natural resources, agriculture, forest land, watersheds, significant ecosystems, view sheds or historic properties. The credit **may not** be claimed on **both** Form 500CR and Form 502CR. PTE members may claim this credit on Form 500CR.
- t. APPRENTICE EMPLOYEE TAX CREDIT.** Certain taxpayers may be eligible for an income tax credit for the first year of employment of eligible apprentices.
- u. QUALIFIED FARMS TAX CREDIT.** Qualified farms that make an eligible food donation may be eligible for an income tax credit.
- w. ENDOWMENTS OF MARYLAND HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES TAX CREDIT.** Taxpayers making donations to a qualified permanent fund held at an eligible institution of higher education (Bowie State University, Coppin State University, Morgan State University or University of Maryland Eastern Shore), may be eligible for a credit of 25% of the amount of donations. Taxpayers who make an approved donation and certified as eligible for this tax credit may claim the credit on Part BB of Form 500CR instead of Form 502CR. The credit **should not** be claimed on **both** Form 500CR and Form 502CR.
- x. WORK OPPORTUNITY TAX CREDIT.** An employer may claim a nonrefundable credit against the State income tax for up to 50% of the federal Work Opportunity Tax Credit with respect to a qualified individual who is employed in the State. Any unused amount of the credit may not be carried forward to any other tax year.