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### 2024 Tax Highlights



Standard Deduction Over Age 65
Single \$16,550
Married Filing Jointly \$30,550

What are the major items you can deduct to Itemize?

Mortgage Interest
Real Estate Taxes
State Income Taxes
Medical Costs (Must exceed 7.5% of AGI)
Charitable Contributions

Real Estate Taxes and State Income Taxes Paid (Capped at \$10,000).



# Tax Credits Energy-efficient Home Purchases



-Heat pumps, windows, doors, electric vehicles, insulation and others

You can deduct up to \$3,200 annually

# Do I lose the Charitable Contributions deduction if I do not itemize? YES

Is there a way to get around that?

You may direct RMDs from IRAs and 401ks to a charity thus making it pre-tax.







In Maryland, you can deduct up to \$2,500 per participant for contributions to qualified 529 accounts

https://maryland529.com/Investment-Plan

#### Social Security Taxability



The portion of your benefits subject to taxation varies with income level. You'll be taxed on:

up to 50 percent of your benefits if your income is \$25,000 to \$34,000 for an individual or \$32,000 to \$44,000 for a married couple filing jointly.

up to 85 percent of your benefits if your income is more than \$34,000 (individual) or \$44,000 (couple).

Combined income includes your AGI plus non-taxable interest and half of your social security.

Maryland does not tax Social Security, West Virginia does

### If you have self-employment income

You can make a retirement account contribution

You can contribute to an HSA

Sponsorships instead of charitable contributions

#### Real Estate Taxes



#### Look at Tax Credit Programs

https://dat.maryland.gov/realproperty/Pages/Homeowners'-Property-Tax-Credit-Program.aspx

	2021 Household Income	Tax Limit
	\$1 - 8,000	\$0
	9,000	40
	10,000	80
	11,000	120
	12,000	160
	13,000	225
	14,000	290
	15,000	355
	16,000	420
	17,000	510
	18,000	600
	19,000	690
	20,000	780
	21,000	870
	22,000	960
	23,000	1050
	24,000	1140
	25,000	1230
	26,000	1320
	27,000	1410
	28,000	1500
	29,000	1590
	30,000	1,680
	and up to a maximum of \$60,000	*
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#### How Is The Credit Figured?

The tax credit is based upon the amount by which the property taxes exceed a percentage of your income according to the following formula: 0% of the first \$8,000 of the combined household income; 4% of the next \$4,000 of income; 6.5% of the next \$4,000 of income; and 9% of all income above \$16,000.





## Questions?