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Dear Homeowner,

We are sending this application for free home painting to you because:

- someone gave us your name or address, OR
- you called us and asked for the application, OR
- you applied before but we were unable to serve you at that time.

Paint Tacoma-Pierce Beautiful is a program of Associated Ministries of Tacoma/Pierce County, the local association of churches and church organizations. This summer will be our 26th year of painting the homes of low-income seniors and low-income people with disabilities. There is **absolutely no cost** to the homeowner -- the labor is supplied by the volunteers and the paint is supplied by Paint Tacoma-Pierce Beautiful. Volunteer paint crews come from churches, businesses, unions, service clubs, government offices and other organizations. Although they are not professional painters, each crew has technical advisors, and the crews do a good job. You can learn more about our program and read comments from happy people whose homes we painted last summer in the enclosed Community Report.

Volunteer crews really appreciate help from the homeowner's family, friends or neighbors if at all possible. But **homeowners without help are urged to apply because our mission is to help people who have no one in the area to help them.** Homeowners with help available are also encouraged to apply because we always run short of volunteers. You've got a great chance of being selected if your family, friends or neighbors will do the actual painting with paint we provide for free.

Please read the eligibility requirements on the back of the application. If you think you are eligible, complete the application and return it to us as soon as possible. However, even if you are eligible, we may not be able to paint your home either because (1) we don't have enough volunteer paint crews, or (2) your home is too difficult or too tall for our crews, or (3) there are significant repairs that should be done before painting. Also, if you've had your home painted by us within the last eight years, you are not eligible yet for our help.

The deadline is April 15 so return your application as soon as possible.

If you have any questions, please call us at 383-3056, ext. 106.

Sincerely,

Sallie E. Shawl
Director

P.S. Free insulation programs are available for low-income homeowners. See the bottom of the application for information about these programs.

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Paint Tacoma-Pierce Beautiful 2010 - Application

DEADLINE: APPLICATION MUST BE POSTMARKED BY APRIL 15, 2010

Call 253-383-3056, ext. 106 if you need help completing this application.

Please read the following carefully before completing this form

To be eligible, applicants must be low-income seniors over 60 or low-income persons with disabilities receiving Social Security disability income. Homes must be owner-occupied - owner's name on the deed - and in Pierce County. All financial information is necessary and will remain confidential within the Planning Committee.

Homes are selected only if the current paint is badly cracked or chalking, blistering or peeling.

Applicant's Name (PLEASE PRINT) _____

Street Address _____ Phone () _____
 Street City and ZIP

Mailing address if different: _____
 Street City and Zip

Home is in (check one): City of Tacoma _____ City of Lakewood _____ Pierce County _____

E-mail address _____

List the people living in your home, **including you**, and fill in information for each.

Name	Age	Source of Income	Gross Income/Month

If more space is needed, please use an additional sheet of paper.

House size: One story [] 1-1/2 Story [] Two story [] Other [] Mobile Home []

Part of the house that needs painting: Trim only [] Entire House [] Fence [] Garage [] Shed []

Siding on the house: Cedar shake [] Other Wood [] Asbestos [] Stucco [] Aluminum [] Other _____

Paint Condition: check all that apply. Dirty [] Fading [] Blistered [] Peeling and/or flaking [] Bare wood []

Have you applied to have your home painted by us in the past? _____ What year? _____

Have we painted your home? _____ If yes, what year? _____ Name of Crew? _____

How did you hear about Paint Tacoma-Pierce Beautiful? (if newspaper, which one?) _____

Are you disabled? _____ Do you receive Social Security Disability Income? _____

Nature of disability (Optional): _____

OVER FOR MORE QUESTIONS and ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS AND SELECTION PROCESS

For Committee Use Only - Do Not Write In This Box

Ownership Ver [] PC [] Total Mo Income _____ Verified []

If not accepted, why?

Applicant notified

Date

FREE INSULATION for your home

There are several conservation programs for low income people to have their homes insulated free of charge in most cases, thereby saving energy and lowering your bills. YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE. Tacoma Public Utilities customers who heat with electricity: call 253-502-8363; all others in Tacoma call the Metropolitan Development Council: 253-593-2336. If you live in the County, call the Pierce County Community Action Agency: 253-798-7213. Call today, because it's best to have this done BEFORE your house is painted.

If your home is selected for painting, we would like to invite immediate family members to help if possible. It is not required in order for your home to be painted, but their assistance would be greatly appreciated by the other volunteers working on your house. Please list any immediate family living in Tacoma/Pierce County who we might invite to participate on your crew.

Name & Relationship (PLEASE PRINT)	Address	City/Zip	AC/Phone

If more space is needed, please use an additional sheet of paper.

The chance of being selected is much greater if you have family, neighbors and/or friends who will paint. If you were given the primer and paint, do you have people who will do ALL the painting? Yes [] No [] Maybe []

Do you own *other* real property? _____ If yes, address(es): _____

IF YOU LIVE IN A RURAL AREA or ON A HARD-TO-FIND STREET: It is not required, but it would be helpful to our volunteers if you would enclose directions to your house!

Signature & Certifications

I have read and understand the Eligibility Requirements and Selection Process below. I am not planning to sell or rent my home within the next two years. If possible, I will ask family, neighbors or friends to help the volunteers paint. I understand that homes needing extensive repair prior to painting will not be considered as there are no funds for major repairs.

I understand that the people who may work on my home are unpaid volunteers; that some two-story houses are beyond the scope of our volunteers' abilities; that few (if any) of these volunteers are skilled in the building trades; and that Paint Tacoma-Pierce Beautiful and Associated Ministries make no warranties or representation, express or implied, about any of the material(s) used or work done by anyone on my house. I hereby release Paint Tacoma-Pierce Beautiful and Associated Ministries, and all associated with them, from all liability arising from negligence for any personal injury or property damage arising out of or relating to the work done on my house. I further certify that I have, and will maintain, homeowner's insurance.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

Date of Birth: _____

Name and phone number of person, if any, who assisted in completing this application:

Name	Area Code/Phone
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ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must be low-income senior (60 or older) or low-income disabled (on SSDI) homeowners who are unable to do the work themselves. The homes must be owner-occupied, which means that the applicant must be living in the home and must be the owner (i.e., no rentals). Homes also must be in Pierce County.

SELECTION PROCESS

Members of the Paint Tacoma-Pierce Beautiful Planning Committee will screen applicants and schedule appointments to look over proposed projects. Proof of income will be required during the visit. Applications will be rated according to a number of factors, including applicant's income and how badly the house needs to be painted. **Those homes in greatest need of a paint job will have priority.** The size of the house and the scope of the work involved also will be considered in the selection process. Homes needing extensive repair prior to painting will not be considered as there are no funds for major repairs. Some 2-story houses may be beyond the scope of our volunteers. **Applicants will be notified by mid-July as to whether or not their home has been selected.**

*** Mail completed application to PTPB, 1224 S. I Street, Tacoma WA 98405 *
Must be postmarked by April 15th**