Checklist of Income Verification Documents

Here's a checklist of documents you can submit to verify your household income. Preparing these documents ahead of time and having them ready to upload to our secure platform will help speed up the verification process. Please make sure to provide income documentation for ALL members of your household. If you are automatically approved by our income verification service during the application process, you will not be asked to provide any documentation.

If at least one member of your household is currently enrolled in a recognized program, you may submit proof of enrollment instead of income documentation. You can upload either proof of enrollment in a recognized program OR proof of income. Please refer to the list of recognized programs below.



Recognized Programs

- ✓ Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP).
- Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP).
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), formerly known as Food Stamps.
- Medicaid/Medical Assistance.
- MinnesotaCare.
- Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC).
- ✓ Supplemental Security Income (SSI) 1- and 2-person households.
- Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP).
- Federal Public Housing Assistance (FPHA), including Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program (Section 8 Vouchers), Project-Based Rental Assistance (PBRA)/202/811, Public Housing, and Affordable Housing Programs for American Indians, Alaska Natives or Native Hawaiians.
- Lifeline (discounted phone and internet service).
- ✓ Telephone Assistance Plan (TAP).
- Veterans Pension and Survivors Benefit.
- Head Start.
- Received a Federal Pell Grant in the current award year documents must be from the student's school (college or university, community college or career school) or the Department of Education and show the student has received a Pell Grant for the current award year.



Pay Stubs

Two to four of your most recent pay stubs covering at least two months.

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Tax Documents

- Form W-2 from the most recent year's tax return filing.
- Form 1040 from the most recent year's tax return filing.
- Form 1099-MISC from the most recent year's tax return filing.
- **♥ Federal Tax Return** from the most recent year's filing, including all schedules if applicable.
- Self-Employment Income from the most recent year's tax return for the business, including all schedules.
- ✓ IRS Verification of Non-Filing Letter: If the applicant is over 18 and does not file a federal income tax return, this letter may be used.



Retirement Income

- **Pension(s):** Award letter or letter from administrative agency.
- Social Security Disability Insurance: Net SSA benefit verification letter, SSA-1099 social security benefit statement or SSA Form 2458.
- **♦ 401(k):** 401(k) retirement plan statement.
- ✓ IRA: IRA quarterly or annual statement.



Investment Income

- Obvidends and Interest: Bank statement or letter from bank dated within 60 days.
- Rental Income: Income tax Form 1040, rent receipts and notarized statement from applicant listing each apartment and the rent received per month, as well as a description and amount of deductible expenses.
- Royalties: Income tax return or current statement from the company issuing checks.



Family Support

- ✔ Alimony: Court order, pertinent pages of separation agreement or divorce decree that identifies the client and amount of alimony.
- Child Support: Child support court order from the district clerk's office in the county where the order was issued.

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Government Assistance

- Social Security Disability Insurance: Net SSA benefit verification letter, SSA-1099 social security benefit statement or SSA Form 2458.
- Veteran's Benefits: Award letter from Veterans Administration or the Department of Defense, current VA benefit check stub or IRS Form 1099.
- Worker's Compensation: Award letter from Worker's Compensation Board and current check showing gross benefit, frequency of benefit and date of loss of employment.
- Local Agency Benefits: Award letter from your local state, county or municipal agency.



Unemployment

- ✔ Proof of Unemployment: Unemployment income statement issued by the Department of Labor and Workforce Development, or a comparable statement issued by an agency or department of state or territory responsible for the administration of unemployment benefits.
- Strike Benefits: Award letter, copy of checks or letter from appropriate administrative agency.



We're here to help.

Are you income eligible but don't have the supporting documents? Please reach out to our customer support team for assistance. We'll assist you through the process to make sure you're able to access the program benefits.

^{*}Please note that you can upload either proof of enrollment in a recognized program OR proof of income. Also, at least one member of your household must show proof of enrollment within the last 12 months.