

How To Apply for Food Stamps

Here's A Checklist To Help You Get Your Food Stamp Benefits

Check off the information that applies to you and bring original documents. We will copy them.

✓ You must prove who you say you are. For all household members, one of the following must be provided:

- Birth Certificate
- Driver's License
- Old Food Stamp ID
- School Photo ID
- Work Photo ID

✓ You must have the Social Security Number for all household members.

✓ You must prove where you live (unless you are homeless). For example, you must bring:

- Current rent receipt (with landlord's name & phone number, your mailing address, and amount of rent)
- Current rental assistance (HUD) agreement
- Current mortgage statement and/or tax bill
- Current lease

✓ If you are not able to work, for medical reasons, you must provide a doctor's note.

✓ If you are not a U.S. citizen, you must provide a current I-94 or current I-551 (green card).

✓ Resources: If you have any of the following, you must provide records, statements or proof of their current value:

- Bank account (savings/checking)
- Vehicle(s) registration (car, truck, boat motorcycle)
- Savings bond
- Trust fund
- Money in a credit union
- Christmas Club
- IRA, Keogh or other investments
- Property Deed

To apply, contact your
County Board of Social Services.
(See listing on reverse side.)

Remember: bring original documents!

✓ Income: You must verify the source, amount and how often you receive it.

___ **Earned Income:** your last four (4) pay stubs, showing gross wages and deductions. If you are self-employed, use last year's tax records.

___ **Unearned Income:**

- Copy of check (SSI, SSA, VA disability) or copy of award letter
- Copy of unemployment compensation
- Copy of social security/pension
- Copy of interest statement from bank savings account
- Letter from employer stating amount of private disability
- Child Support - copy of court order or letter from absent parent
- Signed/dated letter from provider of any money you receive on a regular basis
- Property Deed

✓ Expenses: What you pay each month.

- Rent receipt
- Mortgage statement
- Home Owner's Insurance (if not included in your mortgage)
- Gas/Electric bill
- Phone bill
- Water/Sewer bill
- Coal/Wood/Oil bills

✓ Medical Bills (those you pay on a regular basis): This information is needed only for those people over age 60 or people who are disabled.

✓ Child Care: If you are paying for child care so you can work, go to job training or look for a job, you need a signed and dated letter from your child care provider with the following information:

- Name of child care provider
- Hourly fee
- Number of hours per week they provide child care

✓ Child Support: If you are under a court order to pay child support and you are paying it, you need proof of the following:

- Who you pay
- Child(ren)'s name(s)
- Court order number

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