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Ensuring the success of unaccompanied youths in our community and schools.

Students in Transition Program

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Dear Youth,

This guide includes information that may be helpful to you on your journey through school. You are being sent this guide based on information that you provided on the Student Residency Questionnaire/Domicile Form.

In this guide you will find information about the Students In Transition program and the rights that you may exercise under the McKinney Vento Act. Please call us so that we can review this information with you.

We wish you the very best and look forward to speaking with you if we may be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Students In Transition Staff

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If you lost your housing and now live in a shelter, motel, vehicle, camping ground, or temporary trailer; on the street; doubled-up with family or friends; or in another type of temporary or inadequate housing, you might be able to receive help through a federal law called the McKinney-Vento Act.

Under the McKinney-Vento Act, children in homeless situations have the right to:

• Go to school, no matter where they live or how long they have lived there.

• Attend either the local school or the school of origin, if this is in their best interest; the school of origin is the school the child attended when he/she was permanently housed or the school in which the child was last enrolled.

• Receive transportation to and from the school of origin.

• Enroll in school immediately, even if missing records and documents normally required for enrollment, such as birth certificate, proof of residence, previous school records, or immunization/medical records.

• Enroll, attend classes, and participate fully in all school activities while the school gathers records.

• Have access to the same programs and services that are available to all other students, including transportation and supplemental educational services.

• Attend school with children not experiencing homelessness; a school cannot segregate a student because he or she is homeless.
FAFSA Application Flow Chart for Unaccompanied Homeless Seniors

Decide if you want to go to college
- At the beginning of your senior year, start thinking about your plans after graduation
- Nobody can afford college on their own, if you want to go to college but don’t think you can afford it, there’s financial aid available

Find out what the FAFSA is
- Speak to your guidance counselor and your college and career specialist about how to apply for Financial Aid (FAFSA)
- Speak to your district homeless liaison about your current living situation for possible independent status

Apply for the FAFSA online
- www.fafsa.gov
- Mark independent student on step 3, questions 56-58 of the FAFSA
- Skip parent information section including parental income and signature
- Find out how much financial aid you qualify for

Provide proof of independent status
- Wait to hear from individual colleges on providing proof of independency status
- Contact your district homeless liaison and request a letter be sent to the college verifying independance status

Go to college!
Frequently asked questions

• **What is the legal definition of a homeless student?** A student is considered homeless if he/she lacks a fixed, regular, adequate, nighttime residence. Besides living on the streets, this can include temporarily living with other people because one has nowhere else to stay (“doubled up”), living in substandard housing, emergency or transitional shelter, motel, camping ground, car, park, abandoned house or building and bus or train station.

• **What is an unaccompanied homeless youth?** Unaccompanied homeless youth is a student who lacks a safe and stable residence and who is not in the care of a parent or legal guardian. The youth may have run away from home or been forced to leave by his/her parents. An unaccompanied youth lives in a variety of temporary situations including shelters, homes of friends or relatives, cars, campgrounds, public parks, abandoned houses or buildings, motels and bus or train stations.

• **Who are McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaisons?** Under subtitle VII-B of the McKinney Vento Homeless Assistance Act, every school district is required to designate a liaison to work with and coordinate services for students experiencing homelessness.

• **How do I complete the FAFSA application without having access to my parent’s information and signature?** Under the Higher Education Act, a youth who meets the definition of an “independent student” during the same school year he/she is applying for federal aid can do so without parent income information and signature. The College Cost Reduction and Access Act of 2007 expanded the definition of an independent student to include a student who is unaccompanied and homeless or at risk of becoming homeless.

• **Who can determine if I’m unaccompanied and homeless in order to be considered independent for the FAFSA?** A youth can be considered independent if they are identified as unaccompanied and homeless during the school year in which the application is submitted or as unaccompanied and at risk of becoming homeless. Verification must be made by one of the following: 1) a McKinney Vento school district homeless liaison; 2) a U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development homeless assistance program director; 3) a Runaway and Homeless Youth Act program director or 4) a college/university financial aid administrator.

• **How do I re-qualify as an independent student on the FAFSA once I’m already in college?** A financial aid administrator of the college/university the student is attending can determine if a student is an unaccompanied youth who is either homeless or at risk of becoming homeless on a case by case basis. Not having any other alternative living option except the housing acquired through financial aid (i.e. dorm or off campus housing) that would lead to lacking a fixed, regular, adequate, nighttime residence should place a student in the at risk of becoming homeless category.
Helping Unaccompanied Homeless Youth Access College Financial Aid

Who Are Unaccompanied Homeless Youth?

Unaccompanied homeless youth are young people who lack safe, stable housing and who are not in the care of a parent or guardian. They may have run away from home or been forced to leave by their parents. Unaccompanied youth live in a variety of temporary situations, including shelters, the homes of friends or relatives, cars, campgrounds, public parks, abandoned buildings, motels, and bus or train stations.

Between 1.6 and 1.7 million youth run away from their homes each year. Generally, youth leave home due to severe dysfunction in their families, including circumstances that put their safety and well-being at risk. Unfortunately, physical and sexual abuse in the home is common; studies of unaccompanied youth have found that 20 to 50% were sexually abused in their homes, while 40 to 60% were physically abused. Parental drug use or alcoholism and conflicts with stepparents or partners also provoke youth to run away from home. Many other young people are forced out of their homes by parents who disapprove of their sexual orientation or pregnancy. In a survey of unaccompanied youth in California, over half felt that being homeless was as safe as or safer than being at home.

Are Public Schools Responsible for the Education of Unaccompanied Homeless Youth?

Yes. Subtitle VII-B of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act requires that state and local educational agencies provide students experiencing homelessness with school access and stability, and remove barriers to their attendance and success. Every school district must designate a homeless liaison to ensure the McKinney-Vento Act is implemented in the district. Homeless liaisons must do outreach to identify unaccompanied homeless youth, assist them with school enrollment and refer them to health and other community services. For more information on the federal educational rights of homeless students, please visit http://www.naehcy.org or http://www.serve.org/nche.

What About College? Can Unaccompanied Homeless Youth Apply for Federal Financial Aid?

Yes. Due to their severe poverty, homeless unaccompanied youth are extremely unlikely to be able to access postsecondary education without federal student aid. The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is the federal application form that students must complete in order to apply for virtually all types of financial aid:

3 Robertson & Toro (1998), supra.
6 42 USC §11432(g)(1)(J)(ii).
Pell Grants, State Grants, Institutional Grants, Tuition Waivers, Work Study, and Loans. The FAFSA requires all students not considered “independent” to provide financial information from their parents or guardians in order to determine student eligibility for aid; the application also requires a parental/guardian signature. While these requirements are logical for most applicants, they created an insurmountable barrier for unaccompanied homeless youth, who do not receive financial support from their parents and do not have access to parental information.

A recent federal law eliminated this barrier for unaccompanied youth applying for aid for the 2009-2010 school year and future years. The College Cost Reduction and Access Act of 2007 (P.L. 110-84) expanded the definition of “independent student” to include: (1) unaccompanied homeless youth; (2) youth who are in foster care at any time after the age of 13 or older, and; (3) youth who are emancipated minors or are in legal guardianships as determined by an appropriate court in the individual's state of residence. Therefore, those youth can apply for federal aid without parental information or signature.

The legislation requires youth to be verified as unaccompanied and homeless during the school year in which they apply for aid, or as unaccompanied, at risk of homelessness, and self-supporting. Verification must be made by one of the following: (1) a McKinney-Vento Act school district liaison; (2) a U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development homeless assistance program director or their designee; (3) a Runaway and Homeless Youth Act program director or their designee, or; (4) a financial aid administrator. The law thus helps to remove barriers to accessing financial aid for unaccompanied youth in the year in which they experienced homelessness, and in subsequent years, provided they are still unaccompanied, self-supporting, and at risk of homelessness.

Additionally, under the Higher Education Act, other youth who meet the definition of “independent student” can apply for federal aid without parental information or signature, including youth who are orphans, wards of the court, veterans, graduate students, married, or have a dependent. A financial aid administrator at a college can also designate a student as independent due to “other unusual circumstances.”

Finally, the legislation clarifies and expands the conditions under which financial aid administrators may use discretion in calculating the expected student or family contribution. Financial aid administrators may include, as a consideration, an independent student's loss of employment, or a change in a student's housing situation that results in homelessness. The new legislation also allows financial aid administrators to make a determination of independence based on a documented determination of independence by another financial aid administrator in the same year.

What Can Liaisons and Service Providers Do to Assist Unaccompanied Homeless Youth Access Financial Aid?

McKinney-Vento school district liaisons, service providers, and unaccompanied homeless youth should work with financial aid administrators to streamline access to financial aid. In addition, unaccompanied youth may need assistance overcoming common barriers that students face in trying to fill out the FAFSA, such as not having all the documents they need, not knowing how to fill out the form, and being overwhelmed by the amount of information the application requests. Strategies and resources are provided below.

• Inform unaccompanied homeless youth that they can go to college, even without parental financial support. Too often, unaccompanied youth assume that college is not an option for them because they are unaware of processes to access financial aid.

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7 Under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), schools may disclose educational records for financial aid purposes without parental consent. 34 C.F.R. §99.31(4). This includes verifying that a youth is homeless and unaccompanied.
• Support unaccompanied homeless youth throughout the financial aid process, including by connecting them to College Access organizations and events (see Resources, below). Navigating the financial aid system can be difficult for students with parents - young people who are homeless and trying to survive on their own will need caring adults to help guide them and encourage their persistence.

• Help youth go to college, and stay in college, by assisting them to find scholarships for which they are eligible. www.FinAid.org and Student Aid on the Web are two excellent places to begin a search for scholarships (see Resources below).

• Share information about the needs of unaccompanied youth, and the current and pending higher education law provisions, with high school counselors, social workers, and community service providers, so that they are informed and able to assist unaccompanied youth.

• Develop relationships with local financial aid administrators to inform them about unaccompanied homeless youth, the role of school district liaisons in identifying and assisting these young people, and the provisions of the College Cost Reduction and Access Act of 2007. Such relationships may ease the process for future unaccompanied homeless youth who wish to go to these colleges.

• Locate and develop a relationship with a state or local college access organization in your community. College access organizations provide counseling, advice, and financial assistance (see Resources below for a national directory).

“I knew that I didn’t want to be homeless for the rest of my life, and I saw education as the sure path to a more secure future. Hard work does not intimidate; a vacuous future does. To succeed in college is to succeed in life, and never again have to live the way I am living now.”

- Ashleigh, 2005 LeTendre Scholar and Formerly Homeless Student
FAFSA TIPS FOR UNACCOMPANIED YOUTH WITHOUT STABLE HOUSING

Questions on the 2011-2012 FAFSA that may cause difficulty for youth who are, or have been, homeless are listed below. Question *numbers and steps* refer to the paper FAFSA. *Sections* refer to the online FAFSA.

“Unaccompanied” means you are not living in the physical custody of a parent or guardian. “Homeless” means lacking fixed, regular, and adequate housing, including living in shelters, motels, cars, and temporarily with other people because you have nowhere else to go.

| **Your permanent mailing address** | **Q:** I don’t have a permanent mailing address because I don’t have a stable home. What address should I use?  
A: Use an address where you will be able to receive mail reliably. The address of your school (either your high school or university), or a trusted mentor or family member might be appropriate. |
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| *(Question #4; Step 1 of paper FAFSA)* | **Student Dependency Status** | **Q:** I was emancipated at age 15 but lived with my aunt and uncle during my last semester of high school. How should I complete the FAFSA?  
A: Check “Yes” and complete the FAFSA as an independent student if you have a copy of a court order that you are an emancipated minor. The court must be located in your state of legal residence. If you do not have such a court order, you should check “No” for this question. However, you should review Questions 55-57 carefully, to determine if you qualify as an unaccompanied youth who is homeless. |
| *(Section 2 of online FAFSA; Step 3 on the paper FAFSA)* | **Q:** I have been living with a family member/friend who provides for some of my financial needs, but that person has not been appointed my legal guardian by a court. How should I complete the FAFSA?  
A: A caregiver or other person with whom you are living is only considered a legal guardian if a court in your state of legal residence has established guardianship. You should check “Yes” if you have a copy of a court order indicating that legal guardianship was established. If you are living with a caregiver, but that caregiver is not your legal guardian as determined by a court in your state of legal residence, you should check “No” for this question. However, you should review Questions 55-57 carefully, to determine if you qualify as an unaccompanied youth who is homeless. |
| *(Question #54; Step 3 on the paper FAFSA)* | **Q:** As determined by a court in your state of legal residence, are you or were you an emancipated minor?  
A: As determined by a court in your state of legal residence, are you or were you in legal guardianship? |
<p>| <em>(Question #53; Step 3 on the paper FAFSA)</em> | <em>(Question #55; Step 3 on the paper FAFSA)</em> |</p>
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| **Q:** At any time on or after July 1, 2010, did your high school or school district homeless liaison determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless?**  
(Question #55; Step 3 on the paper FAFSA) | **A:** You are considered an independent student if you received a determination any time on or after July 1, 2010, that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless, or an unaccompanied youth providing your own living expenses who is at risk of being homeless. The financial aid administrator at your college may require you to provide a copy of the determination. If you do not have a determination but you believe you are/were an unaccompanied youth who is homeless or an unaccompanied youth providing your own living expenses who is at risk of being homeless, contact your high school counselor, school district McKinney-Vento homeless liaison, school’s financial aid office, or the National Center for Homeless Education at 1-800-308-2145 for assistance. More information and a template homelessness determination form are also available at [http://www.naehcy.org/higher_ed.html](http://www.naehcy.org/higher_ed.html). |
<p>| <strong>Q:</strong> I ran away from home during my senior year in high school and am staying temporarily with a friend. Am I considered an independent student? | <strong>A:</strong> You are considered an independent student if you received a determination any time on or after July 1, 2010, that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless, or an unaccompanied youth providing your own living expenses who is at risk of being homeless. The financial aid administrator at your college may require you to provide a copy of the determination. If you do not have a determination but you believe you are/were an unaccompanied youth who is homeless or an unaccompanied youth providing your own living expenses who is at risk of being homeless, contact your high school counselor, school district McKinney-Vento homeless liaison, school’s financial aid office, or the National Center for Homeless Education at 1-800-308-2145 for assistance. More information and a template homelessness determination form are also available at <a href="http://www.naehcy.org/higher_ed.html">http://www.naehcy.org/higher_ed.html</a>. |
| <strong>Q:</strong> I stayed in a shelter last year. How do I complete the FAFSA? | <strong>A:</strong> Check “Yes” if you received a determination any time on or after July 1, 2010, that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless, or an unaccompanied youth providing your own living expenses who is at risk of being homeless. The financial aid administrator at your college may require you to provide a copy of the determination or other documentation. If you do not have a determination but you believe you are/were an unaccompanied youth who is homeless or an unaccompanied youth providing your own living expenses who is at risk of being homeless, contact your high school counselor, school district McKinney-Vento homeless liaison, school’s financial aid office, or the National Center for Homeless Education at 1-800-308-2145 for assistance. More information and a template homelessness determination form are also available at <a href="http://www.naehcy.org/higher_ed.html">http://www.naehcy.org/higher_ed.html</a>. |
| <strong>Q:</strong> I am living in a transitional housing program. Am I an independent student? | <strong>A:</strong> Check “Yes” if you received a determination any time on or after July 1, 2010, that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless, or an unaccompanied youth providing your own living expenses who is at risk of being homeless. The financial aid administrator at your college may require you to provide a copy of the determination or other documentation. If you do not have a determination but you believe you are/were an unaccompanied youth who is homeless or an unaccompanied youth providing your own living expenses who is at risk of being homeless, contact your high school counselor, school district McKinney-Vento homeless liaison, school’s financial aid office, or the National Center for Homeless Education at 1-800-308-2145 for assistance. More information and a template homelessness determination form are also available at <a href="http://www.naehcy.org/higher_ed.html">http://www.naehcy.org/higher_ed.html</a>. |</p>
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| Questions #55-57 | Q. I never stayed in a shelter, but I stayed temporarily with others because I had nowhere else to go. I have already graduated from high school. Am I an independent student?  
A. According to federal guidance (the Application and Verification Guide, or AVG), if a student does not have, and cannot obtain, verification from a school district liaison or a HUD- or RHYA-funded shelter, a financial aid administrator must make a determination of eligibility. This means that the financial aid administrator is required to determine whether or not you meet the definition of “homeless” and “unaccompanied.” Contact the financial aid office to ask for this determination. Be prepared to provide some documentation of your status (a letter from an employer, counselor, clergy, people with whom you may be staying, or others). If you do not have any documentation, request an interview with the financial aid administrator. **The 2010-2011 edition of the AVG contains important new information regarding unaccompanied homeless youth (pp. 28-30).** The entire guide may be downloaded at [http://ifap.ed.gov/fsahandbook/1011FSAHandbookAVG.html](http://ifap.ed.gov/fsahandbook/1011FSAHandbookAVG.html) If you continue to face difficulties, please contact the National Center for Homeless Education at 1-800-308-2145 for assistance. |
| Questions #55-57 | Q. I provided a verification letter from my school liaison, but the financial aid office will not accept it. What should I do?  
A. According to federal guidance (the Application and Verification Guide, or AVG), it is not considered “conflicting information” if a financial aid administrator disagrees with an eligibility determination by a school district homeless liaison or a shelter director. The financial aid administrator must accept this documentation, and then contact either the state homeless coordinator, or the appropriate federal agency, with any questions or concerns. **The 2010-2011 edition of the AVG contains important new information regarding unaccompanied homeless youth (pp. 28-30).** The entire guide may be downloaded at [http://ifap.ed.gov/fsahandbook/1011FSAHandbookAVG.html](http://ifap.ed.gov/fsahandbook/1011FSAHandbookAVG.html) If you continue to face difficulties, please contact the National Center for Homeless Education at 1-800-308-2145 for assistance. |
| Parent Information | If you (the student) answered “Yes” to any question in Section 2/Step 3, skip this step and go directly to Step 5 on page 10. |
| 2010 Income Tax Questions | Q: I did not file a tax return, and I am not sure if I was required to file. How can I get information about whether I was required to file a tax return and how I can file now, if necessary?  
A: You must consult the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) rules to determine your obligation to file a tax return. IRS information is available at http://www.irs.gov/. For the FAFSA, you should indicate whether you have filed or intend to file and continue to the following questions, as indicated. For more information about income tax and the FAFSA for unaccompanied youth, see NAEHCY’s tip sheet on this issue at http://www.naehcy.org/dl/tax_fafsa.doc |
| Welfare benefits, TANF | Q: My parent or another caretaker gets TANF or welfare benefits for me. Is this my income?  
A: No. These benefits are income for the person receiving them. Do not include as part of your income any TANF or welfare benefits received by another person even if they are designated for your support or care. Also, you should not include these benefits when answering Questions 95-99. |
| Number of People in Your Household | Q: I am staying with a friend’s family. Are they part of my “household”?  
A: No. If you are considered independent (for example, because you are an unaccompanied youth who is homeless), and you have no dependent children of your own, you are a family of one (yourself). For this question, as well as Questions 95-99, you should not count people with whom you share housing as part of your household. |
| Signatures | Q: I have filled out this form as an independent student because I have been determined to be an unaccompanied youth who is homeless. Do I need my father’s and/or mother’s signature(s)?  
A: No. Because of your status as an unaccompanied youth, you are considered an independent applicant; parental signatures are not required. |
Resources: Helping Unaccompanied Youth Access Financial Aid

College Goal Sunday – www.collegegoalsundayusa.org
Financial aid administrators around the country organize an event, College Goal Sunday, typically held a few weeks after Super Bowl Sunday, where students can get help filling out and submitting the FAFSA. The website has the list of specific locations where these events are held.

FinAid: The SmartStudent Guide to Financial Aid - www.finaid.org
A very comprehensive and reputable public service website on student financial aid information, including scholarships.

KnowHow2Go.org- www.knowhow2go.index.php
KnowHow2Go is a website that helps students better understand how to prepare for college.

LeTendre Education Fund – www.naehcy.org/about_letendre.html
Scholarship program for students who have experienced homelessness.

National Association for the Education of Homeless Children and Youth –www.naehcy.org
National grassroots organization connecting educators, service providers, and others to ensure school enrollment, attendance, and overall success of children and youth without safe, adequate, and permanent housing.

National Center for Homeless Education –www.serve.org/nche
Federally-funded clearinghouse of information on homeless education. A directory of state coordinators of homeless education is available on the web site.

National College Access Network (NCAN) – www.collegeaccess.org/NCAN
National College Access Network (NCAN) improves access to and success in postsecondary education for first-generation, underrepresented and low-income students. NCAN supports a network of state and local college access programs that provide counseling, advice, and financial assistance. State and local college access programs can be found on the directory on the NCAN web site.

National Law Center on Homelessness & Poverty –www.nlchp.org
NLCHP serves as the legal arm of the nationwide movement to end homelessness.

National Network for Youth –www.nn4youth.org
The National Network for Youth is membership organization of community-based, faith-based, and public agencies working with runaway, homeless, and other disconnected youth.

National Runaway Switchboard –www.1800runaway.org
Northern Virginia Community College Online FAFSA Tutorial - www.nvcc.edu/FAFSAhelp/
Northern Virginia Community College has created a tutorial to help their students better understand how to fill out the FAFSA, but the tutorial can be viewed by anyone.

Student Aid on the Web –www.studentaid.ed.gov
U.S. Department of Education web site on preparing for college and applying for financial aid.
Introduction
During 2010-2011, ACT will again make fee waivers for the ACT® test available to economically disadvantaged high school juniors or seniors testing in the U.S., U.S. territories, or Puerto Rico. Funds are limited, however, and once they have been exhausted, requests for waivers will be denied. Schools are therefore encouraged to seek alternate funding sources within the community.

Audits of Submitted Waivers
In order to serve as many economically disadvantaged students as possible, only students who meet the requirements outlined in this document and on the fee waiver forms are eligible for an ACT Fee Waiver. ACT will routinely audit schools and agency compliance with fee waiver requirements. In doing so, ACT may request written evidence of student eligibility. Non-eligible students may be billed, and non-compliant schools/agencies may be denied additional waivers.

What the ACT Fee Waiver Covers
Fee waivers cover the basic registration fee for either the ACT® (No Writing) or the ACT® Plus Writing. This fee includes one report to the high school (if the student authorizes reporting) and up to four college choices (if valid codes are provided when the student registers).

Waivers may NOT be used to pay for any of the following:
- Late registration fee
- Test date, test option, or test center change fee
- Additional college choices
- Standby fee
- Other services or products
- Residual (on-campus) testing

Eligibility Requirements
Students must meet ALL THREE of the following eligibility requirements:
1. Economic Need. Students must meet one or more of the following indicators of need:
   - Student’s family receives low-income public assistance.
   - Student is a ward of the state.
   - Student resides in a foster home.
   - Student is homeless.
   - Student participates in the free or reduced-price lunch program at school.
   - Student participates in a federally funded TRIO program such as Upward Bound.
2. Student’s total family income is at or below the following maximum amounts established by the Bureau of Labor Statistics Low Standard Budget for 2010:
   - No. in Family | 2010 Total Income Before Taxes
   - 1 | $12,300
   - 2 | 20,200
   - 3 | 27,700
   - 4 | 34,200
   - 5 | 40,400
   - 6 | 47,200
   - More than 6 | 47,200 plus $4,900 for each additional family member
3. Grade Level. Fee waivers are available ONLY to students currently enrolled in high school as juniors or seniors.
4. Usage Restriction. To ensure that limited funds reach as many eligible students as possible, students may use a maximum of TWO fee waivers total. Due to processing costs, the waiver is used once the student registers (or is approved for Special Testing), even if the student does not test on the requested test date.

Procedures
Requests must be submitted on a current, official ACT fee waiver form. Fee waivers are valid through August 31 each year. Altered forms, photocopied forms, or requests on letterhead will NOT be accepted. Each request is valid only if it is properly completed and personally signed by both the student and school/agency office. Each waiver has a serial number printed on the top-right corner. Instructions for submitting the serial number online or returning the waiver form with a paper registration or Special Testing request are on the form under “Student Directions.”

Remind students registering online that any fees not covered by the waiver (e.g., late fee, optional services) must be paid for with a credit card before submitting the registration.

No refunds can be made to students who have paid their registration fee, even if they would have been eligible for a waiver.

Distribution of Forms
ACT ships fee waiver forms each summer to high schools in the United States that had students who submitted fee waivers during the preceding academic year. The number of waivers allocated for 2010-2011 is based on the number processed in 2009-2010.

Fee waivers are available to high schools, active Upward Bound projects, and qualifying not-for-profit organizations. Officials who identify eligible students may contact ACT Registration to order fee waivers. Fee waiver forms are normally delivered within seven to ten working days of receiving the order.

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The Next Step: Request for Waiver of College Application Fees

If you plan to enter college in the 2010–11 academic year and you have used a fee waiver to register for the SAT or SAT Subject Tests, you can ask your counselor for up to four Request for Waiver of College Application Fee forms. You should only send the forms with your college applications, and only to institutions listed in the 2010-11 Directory of Colleges Cooperating with the SAT Fee-Waiver Service. The directory is available online at sat.collegeboard.com/register/sat-fee-waivers.

Note: The institutions listed in the directory are not obligated to waive their application fees.

If the college of your choice is not listed in the directory, check the website of the institution for additional details and resources. You may also want to ask your counselor to write a letter (on your school’s letterhead) that explains your circumstances. Enclose a copy of the letter with your application.

Have Questions?

• Go to sat.collegeboard.com/register/sat-fee-waivers to learn more about fee waivers.

• Call SAT Customer Service if you need help accessing information about your flexible score reports or other fee-waiver benefits.
  – Toll-free: 866-756-7345
  – Outside the U.S.: +1-212-713-1899

Get Ready with Free Resources

ONLINE

From any computer with internet access, go to sat.collegeboard.com/practice to: review sample test questions, take an official SAT practice test, answer The Official SAT Question of the Day™, and get familiar with the SAT and SAT Subject Tests with other free online tools.

PAPER

Even if you don’t have access to the internet, you can still practice with free resources from the College Board. Ask your counselor for Getting Ready for the SAT and Getting Ready for the SAT Subject Tests to get familiar with test directions and sample questions for both the SAT and the SAT Subject Tests.

Affordable Resources from the Test Maker.

THE OFFICIAL SAT ONLINE COURSE™ Register online for the SAT with a free waiver code and get a $40 discount on The Official SAT Online Course. This interactive online course is available 24 hours a day from any computer with internet access.

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The only book from the test maker, featuring:
• 10 official practice tests
• Practice questions and essay prompts
• A complete chapter on the SAT essay
• Exclusive access to answer explanations

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Guidelines for Families

The College Board offers assistance to students for whom payment of SAT® and SAT Subject Tests™ fees may be a barrier to testing and applying for college. If you think your family may qualify for SAT fee waivers, please work with your school counselor or an authorized agency to determine if you are eligible to receive fee waivers.
### RESOURCES AND REFERRAL GUIDE

#### Advocacy

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<th>Bay Area Legal Services</th>
<th>New Port Richey  8406 Massachusetts Ave.  727-847-5494 or  1-800-625-2257</th>
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<td>Pasco County Homeless Coalition</td>
<td>727-842-8605</td>
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<td>Farm Workers Self Help</td>
<td>37240 Locke Street  Dade City, FL  352-567-1432</td>
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<td>United Way of Pasco – Helpline</td>
<td>877-828-8929 – Toll free  727-845-4357 or dial 211</td>
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<td>The Senior Helpline</td>
<td>1-800-96-ELDER (1-800-963-5337)</td>
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#### Birth Certificates

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<th>Eastside-Vital Statistics</th>
<th>13941 15th Street  Room #212  Dade City, FL.  33525  (352) 521-1450 ext. 360</th>
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<td>Westside-Vital Statistics</td>
<td>10841 Little Road  New Port Richey, FL. 34654  727-861-5250 ext. 151</td>
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#### Counseling/ Crisis Center

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<th>Catholic Charities</th>
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<td>Domestic Violence Outreach Program</td>
<td>8040 Washington Street  Port Richey, FL  727-842-9717</td>
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<td>BayCare Behavioral Health</td>
<td>Emergency Crisis Line  727-849-9988  Adult Facility  8002 King Helie Blvd  New Port Richey  727-841-4430  Children Facility  8132 King Helie Blvd  New Port Richey  727-834-3959</td>
<td>Emergency Intake Adults and Children  21808 State Road 54  Lutz 33549  813-428-6100  Dade City  14527 7th Street  352-521-1474</td>
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<td>442 Grand Blvd 727-849-2629</td>
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<td>12107 Majestic Blvd. 727-863-7971</td>
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<td>Dade City</td>
<td>37826 Sky Ridge Circle 813-780-1235</td>
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<td>Operation PAR-Adolescent Intervention Center</td>
<td>7720 Washington Street Port</td>
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<td>Pasco Kids First-Intervention, protection</td>
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<td>727-845-8080</td>
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<td>&amp; investigation of sexual abuse of children</td>
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<td>Sunrise Domestic Sexual Violence Center</td>
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<td>352-521-3358</td>
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<td>District Hotline</td>
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<td>352-567-1681</td>
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<td>Local Hotline</td>
<td>352-521-3120</td>
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<td>Kinship Care Warmline</td>
<td>800-640-6444</td>
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<td>Youth and Family Alternatives</td>
<td>East</td>
<td>352-523-5020</td>
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<td>Alcoholics Anonymous</td>
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<td>AlAnon-Alateen</td>
<td>888-425-2666</td>
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<td>Poison Control</td>
<td>800-222-1222</td>
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<td>Sunrise Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault</td>
<td>Administration 352-521-3358</td>
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<td>Hotline 888-668-7273</td>
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<td>Runaway Project</td>
<td>800-(RUNAWAY) (786-2929)</td>
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<td>Florida Parent Hotline</td>
<td>888-413-2645</td>
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<td>S.A.V.E. (Sexual Assault Victims Examinations)</td>
<td>Hudson 727-834-3236</td>
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<td>Runaway Hotline</td>
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<td>Narcotics Anonymous</td>
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<td>Child Abuse Hotline</td>
<td>800-962-2873</td>
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<td>RAINN (Rape &amp; Incest)</td>
<td>1-800-656-HOPE (4673)</td>
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<td>P.L.A.C.E.</td>
<td>813-794-2298 727-774-2298 352-524-2298</td>
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<td>The Early Learning Coalition</td>
<td><a href="http://www.phelc.org/contact">www.phelc.org/contact</a> 15000 US Hwy 301 Dade City 352-834-0052</td>
<td>Courtside Commons 7334 Little Road - Suite 102 New Port Richey, FL 727-569-1004</td>
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<td>Give Kids A Smile</td>
<td>727-816-3281</td>
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<td>*Dental work for children 17 and under.</td>
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<td>Bethany Family Apartments/Catholic Charities</td>
<td>13326 Lee Street Apt #1 Dade City 352-523-6958</td>
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<td>Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services of Florida</td>
<td>8610 Galen Wilson Blvd Port Richey, Fl. 34668 727-853-1010</td>
<td>* Variety of services for the hard of hearing, their families and the community.</td>
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<td>Sertoma</td>
<td>727-834-5479</td>
<td>* Services/assistance with obtaining devices to assist with hearing needs</td>
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<tr>
<td>Agency for Persons with Disabilities</td>
<td>800-615-8720</td>
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<tr>
<td>Lighthouse For the Visually Impaired &amp; Blind</td>
<td>8610 Galen Wilson Blvd Port Richey 727-815-0303</td>
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<td>Kinship Services Network of Pasco</td>
<td>727-785-2762</td>
<td>* Program Intended to provide support to relative caregivers by helping families access necessary services, expanding family support systems, and reducing stress to promote family stability.</td>
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<td>American Red Cross/Pasco County</td>
<td>727-848-8354</td>
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<td>Emergency Management</td>
<td>352-521-4274</td>
<td>Dade City Direct 727-847-8137 Land O’ Lakes 813-996-7341</td>
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## Employment/Education

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| Adult ESOL                                   | 727-774-1879  
352-524-2206  
813-794-2206 (Director of Adult Ed)          |
| Career Central - Job searching assistance     | 4400 Grand Blvd.  
New Port Richey  
727-484-3400  
7361 Forest Oaks Blvd.  
Spring Hill  
352-200-3020  
6038 Gall Blvd.  
Zephyrhills  
813-377-1300 |
| Able Body                                    | Labor Locations:  
4521 Panorama Ave.  
Holiday FL. 34690  
727-934-2018  
13132 U.S. HWY 19 N.  
Hudson, FL. 34667  
727-863-9498 |
| Connections Job Development                  | 5841 Main Street  
New Port Richey  
727-849-4724 |
| GED Information                              | 352-524-9033  
813-794-9033  
813-774-1719  
727-774-1735 |
| Goodwill Industries - Job training           | 888-279-1988  
www.goodwill-suncoast.org |
| Head Start/ Early Head Start                 | 352-524-2730  
813-794-2730  
727-774-2730 |
| Job Corps                                    | Gainesville  
www.gainesville.jobcorps.gov  
Homestead  
www.homestead.jobcorps.gov  
Jacksonville  
904-360-8200  
St. Petersburg  
www.pinellascounty.jobcorps.gov  
727-551-2900 |
| Students in Transition Program               | 813-794-4980  
727-774-4980  
352-524-4980 |
|                                               | * Homeless education program for the District School Board of Pasco County.           |
### Early Child Developmental Services

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| FDLRS                           | * Assists in the evaluation and securing of appropriate education or other needed services to all children and youth, birth through 21 years of age who have or are at risk of developing special or unique needs. | 352-524-2630  
  727-774-2630  
  813-794-2630                                                                                           |
| Early Steps Medical Services    | * Early intervention services to infants and toddlers (birth to thirty-six months) with significant developmental delays or a condition that places them at risk of developmental delay.                              | 800-374-4334                                      |

### Financial Assistance

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| Access Florida (DCF)            | * Apply for Medicaid, Food Stamps and Temporary Cash Assistance                                                                                                                                           | 866-762-2237  
  www.dcf.state.fl.us/ess/                                                                 |                                                  |
| EFAHP                           | Provides a one-time payment of up to $400 to families who are without shelter or face the loss of shelter because of non-payment of rent or mortgage. * Applications accepted at certain times during the year. Please call for more information. | 877-891-6445  
  www.dcf.state.fl.us/programs/homelessness/                                                            |                                                  |
| Mid-Florida Community Services  | * Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and other services for low-income families.                                                                                                       | 14446 7th St.  
  Dade City  352-567-0533                                                                                   |                                                  |
| Pasco County Human Services     | * Housing and utility assistance – Homeless prevention and re-housing program.                                                                                                                             | 8620 Galen Wilson Blvd.  
  New Port Richey  727-845-7350                                                                         |                                                  |
| Consumer Credit Counseling      |                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 800-741-7040                                      |
| Salvation Army                  | * Housing and utility assistance  
  * Emergency lodging  
  * Food pantry  
  * By appointment only                                                                                       | 1445 7th St.  
  Dade City  352-521-3126                                                                               |                                                  |
**Faith Based and Private Organizations assisting with basic needs**

*In order to receive food some of the food banks below require a photo ID, proof of residency and/or social security cards for each person requesting food. If needed request a written referral from SIT staff to assist you in obtaining food.*

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<td><strong>First Baptist Church</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>* Mon &amp; Wed- 10am-12pm</td>
<td>37511 Church Avenue 352-567-3265</td>
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<td>* Bring photo ID</td>
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<td>* Family may request food three times per year</td>
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<td><strong>Love One Another – ministry of The First Baptist Church of Dade City &amp; Dade City Youth Council</strong></td>
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<td>* Prepared Meals – Sundays 1:30pm – 3:30pm</td>
<td>Community Services Nutrition Center Building 13853 15th Street</td>
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<td>* Clothing</td>
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<td>* Sit down meal</td>
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<td><strong>Daystar – assistance office (multiple needs)</strong> Mon.-Fri.</td>
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<td>* 9am – 12:00pm</td>
<td>15512 HWY 301 352-523-0844</td>
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<td>* Social security card required or photo ID</td>
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<td>* Clothing and household items</td>
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<td><strong>Joining Hands Community Mission</strong></td>
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<td>3214 US Highway 19</td>
<td>727-937-3268</td>
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<td><strong>St. Vincent De Paul- Food Pantry</strong></td>
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<td>* Mon, Wed, &amp; Fri 10am-1pm</td>
<td>4843 Mile Stretch Rd. Holiday 34691 727-869-3132</td>
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<td>* Tues – Thurs – 10am – 1pm</td>
<td>12219 Hicks Road Pantry behind church on Parkwood 727-863-5959</td>
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<td><strong>1st Baptist Church of Hudson</strong></td>
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<td>7009 Hudson Ave. Hudson, 34667</td>
<td>727-862-5291</td>
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<td><strong>1st United Methodist Church of Hudson</strong></td>
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<td>13123 US 19 Hudson, FL. 34667</td>
<td>727-868-6178</td>
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<td><strong>Praise Assembly</strong></td>
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<td>17920 Meridian Hudson, FL. 34667</td>
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<td><strong>St. Vincent De Paul- St. Michaels- Food Pantry</strong></td>
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<td>* Mon, Tues, &amp; Fri 9am-11:30am, 1:00pm-3:30pm</td>
<td>8014 SR 52 Hudson 34667 727-819-5170</td>
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<td>* Thurs. 1:00pm-3:30pm</td>
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<td>727-255-2353</td>
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<td>2348 Collier Parkway</td>
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<td>* Tues-Sat- 10am-2pm(Pantry)</td>
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<td>* Closed Sun &amp; Mon</td>
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<td>5514 Land O’ Lakes Blvd.</td>
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<td>813-995-0088</td>
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<td><strong>B.I.K.E.R.S.C.A.P.</strong></td>
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<td>*Non-profit organization that refurbishes computers and then donates them to children in the community.</td>
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<td>Download application @ <a href="http://www.bikerscap.org">www.bikerscap.org</a></td>
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<td>Mail to P.O. Box 2744 Land O’ Lakes, FL 34639</td>
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| **Helping Hands at Calvary Chapel**  
* Mon & Fri – 10am-1pm  
* ID, Social Security card & proof of residency required | 6825 Trouble Creek Road  
727-376-7733 |
| **Comm. Congregational United Church of Christ**  
* Tues & Thurs 10am-2pm | 6533 Circle Blvd.  
727-849-1943 |
| **St. Vincent De Paul**  
* Food programs / Emergency financial assistance  
  Our Lady Queen of Peace  
* Parish boundaries only  
* Mon, Thurs, Fri-10am-12pm & Tues-12pm-2pm.  
* Cash assistance- bring overdue bills and rental documents  
* Clothing-vouchers available for thrift store  
* Closed on Wednesdays | Thrift store  
727-845-8283  
5320 Shaw Street  
727-845-4955 |
| **Pathway Christian Church**  
* Thurs 9am-11:30am, 1pm-2pm | 11820 Nature Trail  
727-862-2488 |
| **Covenant Christian Church**  
* Proof of residency, Social Security card and photo ID required – waived if referred by SIT (letter)  
* Tues, Wed & Fri 12pm-2:30pm  
* Some household items/clothing available | 6814 Indiana Avenue  
727-842-4566 |
| **The Volunteer Way**  
* Family may request food one time per month  
* Mon-Fri-8am-12pm  
* Hygiene items  
* Photo ID required | 7820 Congress Street  
New Port Richey  
727-815-0433 |
| **The Volunteer Way**  
* Hair Cuts  
* Showers  
* Marriage and Substance Abuse Counseling  
* Soup Kitchen Mon & Fri 10am-3pm  
* Photo ID required | 10008 Moon Lake Rd  
New Port Richey  
727-457-2958 |
| **Seventh Day Adventist Church**  
* Wednesday-11am-3pm  
* Photo ID & social security card for every member  
* May request every 90 days | 6424 Trouble Creek Road  
727-848-4567 |
| **Salvation Army**  
* Soup kitchen Mon-Fri-4pm-5pm  
* Food pantry Mon-Fri-9am-12pm (appointment required) | 8040 Washington Street  
727-847-6321 |
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<th><strong>1ST Baptist Church of NPR</strong></th>
<th>6800 Trouble Creek Road</th>
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<td>* Only serves members</td>
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**Shady Hills**

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<td>* Wed &amp; Sat- 9am-1pm</td>
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**Wesley Chapel**

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<th>6542 Applewood Dr</th>
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<td>* Food pantry-Thursday-12pm-6pm</td>
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<td>* No documents required</td>
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<td>Job sourcing 3rd Thursday of the month</td>
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**Zephyrhills**

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<th>35362 S. R. 54</th>
<th>813-283-1184</th>
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<td>* Food is given out twice a month – call for dates</td>
<td>*1 mile east of Morris Bridge Road</td>
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<td>* Family may receive food once a month</td>
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<th>Neighborhood Care Center</th>
<th>5140 6th Street</th>
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<td>* Mon – 9am – 3pm</td>
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<td>* Wed-Fri - 9am – 12pm</td>
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<td>* Food given out Mon, Wed &amp; Fri</td>
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<td>* Clothing given out Mon, Wed &amp; Fri</td>
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<td>* Zephyrhills residents only- photo ID required</td>
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<td>* May request furniture and household items</td>
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<th>Agape Baptist Church</th>
<th>39735 Chancey Road</th>
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<td>* Mon-Sat before 11am</td>
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| The Samaritan project | 34921 Chancey Road | 813-810-8670 |

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<th>Fair Haven Baptist Church</th>
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<td>* 8am-2pm</td>
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<td>Courthouse</td>
<td>7530 Little Rd. New Port Richey</td>
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<td>38053 Live Oaks Dade City</td>
<td>352-521-4542</td>
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<td>Social Security Administration</td>
<td><a href="http://www.ssa.gov">www.ssa.gov</a></td>
<td>800-772-1213</td>
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<td>Victim's Advocate – Sheriffs Dept</td>
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<td>800-854-2862</td>
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<td>Social Security – Replacement Cards</td>
<td>1-800-772-1213 / 1-800-325-0778</td>
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### Housing Non-Profit

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<td>13326 Lee Street #1 Dade City</td>
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<td>Habitat for Humanity</td>
<td>4131 Madison Street New Port Richey</td>
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<td>Land O’ Lakes</td>
<td>813-929-0171</td>
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<td>15000 Citrus Country Dr. Suite 420</td>
<td>352-567-1444</td>
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<td>Pasco County Housing Authority</td>
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<td>727-862-7323 or 352-567-0848</td>
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<td>Florida Housing Search</td>
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<td>* Search for housing with a variety of search criteria including: cost of rent, deposit, credit checks, acceptance of pets, section 8, etc.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.floridahousingsearch.org">www.floridahousingsearch.org</a></td>
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<td>Catholic Charities</td>
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<td>727-893-1311</td>
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### Medical/Nutrition/Dental

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<td>Aids Hotline</td>
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<td>Children’s Medical Services - Dept. of Health</td>
<td>800-336-1612</td>
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<td>Agency for Person’s with Disabilities</td>
<td>800-615-8720</td>
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<td>Florida Kid Care</td>
<td>888-540-5437</td>
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| Good Samaritan Health Clinic | 5334 Aspen St.  
New Port Richey, FL 34652 | 727-848-7789 |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|
| * Bring Medicaid denial letter for care | 4135 Land O Lakes Blvd  
Land O’Lakes | 813-558-5173 |
| Pasco County Health Dept  
WIC | 5640 Main Street  
New Port Richey | 727-841-4425 |
| 10841 Little Road  
New Port Richey | 727-861-5250 |
| 11511 Denton Avenue  
Hudson | 727-861-5661 |
| 13941 15th Street  
Dade City | 352-521-1450 |
| 2318 U.S Highway  
Holiday | 727-943-5505 |
| 4717 Airport Road  
Zephyrhills | 813-780-0740 |
| Operation PAR, INC – Methadone clinic | 7720 Washington St. | 727-816-1200 |
| Pasco Pediatric Foundation  
* School referral needed | 727-845-0323 |
| Premier Community Health Care  
* Based on sliding scale | 352-518-2000 |

**Pregnancy Help**

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<th>Alpha House- Maternity</th>
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| Catholic Charities  
* Adoption, referral for needs | 37733 Meridian Ave  
Dade City | 352-521-1218 |
| Pregnancy Care Center  
* Assistance with baby items, information | 813-780-6885 |
| All Women's Health Centers | 888-878-3304 |
**S.O.L.V.E.**
- Driver’s license required and a WIC card if possible
- Bring paperwork proving on public assistance
- Maternity clothes and baby items given, including a car seat 2 weeks before the due date
- Mon, Tues & Wed - 10am - 4 pm
- Thurs & Fri - 10am - 1pm
- 2 months residency in Pasco or Utility bill verifying address

6102 Indiana Avenue  727-848-0203

**Recreation**

| Big Brothers- Big Sisters | 888-293-2535 |

**Shelters**

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<td><strong>Gulf Coast Community Care - HUDSON</strong></td>
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<td>Women and women with children, must be willing to seek employment</td>
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<td>727-861-4840</td>
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<td><strong>R.O.P.E. Center</strong></td>
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<td>$45 a week per person</td>
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<td>3 meals provided a day</td>
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<td>Men/women dorm</td>
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<td>Children eligible based on space availability</td>
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<td>7909 Rhodes Rd.</td>
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<td>Hudson 34667  727-255-2353</td>
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<td><strong>Chancey Road Church</strong></td>
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<td>Mon-Thurs- 9am-Noon</td>
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<td>Men, Women and Children</td>
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<td>Must be willing to seek employment</td>
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<td>Must leave the shelter at 8:30 am can return at 5:30pm. Shelter van to assist with transportation</td>
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<td>Breakfast and dinner provided</td>
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<td>34921 Chancey Rd. Zephyrhills  813-810-8670</td>
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**Domestic Violence Shelters/Pasco**

| Salvation Army | 727-856-6498 |
| Sunrise of Pasco | 352-521-3120 |

**Out of County Shelters**

http://www.homelessshelterdirectory.org/florida.html

| G.W.H. Runaway and Youth Crisis Shelter | 863-595-0220 |
| Beacon House – Men | 727-823-5780 |
| Metropolitan Ministries Help with food and shelter | 813-209-1044 |
| Salvation Army Multiple Options | 1514 North Florida Avenue  
Tampa  
Sober men and women may stay 5 consecutive nights then $10 per night charge  
Lakeland  
Family - picture id and social security card for everyone and marriage license for couples  
Pinellas  
Men's dorm, women's dorm and family dorm |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| Jericho Road Ministries          | Hernando  
Men only- "press 3" - 2 forms of ID  
Women only - "press 4" - 2 month or 11 month program  
Family shelters  
3 night emergency stay |
| *Food Bank                       |                                                 |
| *Thrift store                    |                                                 |

### Out of County Domestic Violence Shelters

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<th>CASA Domestic Violence</th>
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<td>Mary and Martha House</td>
<td>813-641-7027</td>
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<td>RCS Domestic Violence (The Haven)</td>
<td>727-442-4128</td>
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<td>The Spring of Tampa Bay</td>
<td>813-247-7233</td>
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| Dawn Center                       | Hotline- 352-799-0657  
Shelter- 352-686-8759  
352-683-0110 |

### Pasco County Bus Information

| Pasco County Transportation Assistance- Paratransit | West  
Registration-727-834-3322  
Trip Reservation-727-834-3456  
Central  
Registration- 813-235-6073  
Trip Registration- 813-235-6059  
Dade City  
Registration-352-521-4587  
Trip Reservation- 352-521-4300 |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Rental Property Information  
| Florida, Pasco County  
| Revised 03/07 |

| Cypress Manor  
| Evergreen Court - LOL  
| Pasco County Housing Authority  
| 352-583-4344 |
| Cypress Groves Apartments  
| 4142 My Lady Ln. - LOL  
| 813-996-4231 |

| Dade City Apts Ltd  
| 315 Willingham Ave. – Dade City  
| 352-521-3595 |
| Orangewood Lakes Apt.  
| 6701 S Osteen Rd - NPR  
| 727-848-1212 |

| Dade City RRH Ltd II  
| Country Side Villas  
| 37305 Countryside – Dade City  
| 352-567-0764 |
| Greenmeadow Apts.  
| 3931 Greenmeadows Dr. Zeph  
| 850-875-3596 |

| Candlewood Apts.  
| 12771 Candlewood Circle – Dade City  
| 352-567-1897 |
| Heritage Villas of  
| 6036 Green Dr. - ZEPH  
| 813-783-2275 |

| Dade Oaks Elderly  
| 37347 Autumn Dr. – Dade City  
| Pasco Co Housing Authority  
| 352-521-3015 |
| Park Place Ltd.  
| 39234 Park Place Cir. - ZEPH  
| 813-783-1239 |

| Oakcrest Apartments II  
| 14940 Willowbrook Dr. – Dade City  
| 352-567-3248 |
| Village Walk Apts.  
| 39216 Village Chase - ZEPH  
| 813-782-1150 |

| Oakcrest Apartments LTD  
| 14940 Willowbrook Dr. – Dade City  
| 352-567-3248 |
| Evergreen Village Apts  
| 38415 Evergreen Village Dr. - ZEPH  
| 813-782-2740 |

| Anclote Villas Apts.  
| 14932 Flowers Dr. - Hudson  
| 727-863-6063 |
| Parkhill Terrace Apts.  
| 6002 Parkhill Dr. - ZEPH  
| 813-782-4679 |

| Sunset Villas Apts.  
| 14710 Dayspring Dr. - Hudson  
| 727-863-6063 |
| Cypress Green Apts.  
| 6036 Green Dr. - ZEPH  
| 813-783-2275 |

| Pasco County Cypress Farms  
| 38727 Patti Lane- Dade City  
| Pasco CO Housing Authority  
| 352-583-4661 |
| Cypress Groves Apartments  
| 4142 My Lady Ln. - LOL  
| 813-996-4231 |
IT IS NEVER TOO LATE TO START WORKING ON YOUR FUTURE!!!!!

G.E.D. Preparation

If you are a parent, grandparent or guardian of a Pasco County student, you are eligible to receive FREE G.E.D. evaluation and testing through the District School Board of Pasco County. To make an appointment for an evaluation or for information on how you can prepare for and earn your G.E.D., please contact one of these facilitators:

**Eastside Facilitators**

Moore Mickens Education Center
352-524-9033 or 813-794-9033
Sandy Vogel, Counselor

**Westside Facilitators**

Marchman Technical Education Center
727-774-1735
Roger Roy, Counselor
SAFELINK WIRELESS®

SAFELINK WIRELESS® service is U.S. government supported program for Income eligible households provided by TracFone Wireless, Inc. In order to participate in the SAFELINK WIRELESS® service, persons must meet certain eligibility requirements set by each State where the service is to be provided. These requirements are based on a person’s participation in a state or Federal support programs or by meeting the Income Poverty Guidelines as defined by the U.S. Government. SAFELINK WIRELESS® service is limited to one person per household.

TracFone Wireless is America’s largest and number one prepaid cell phone provider in the U.S. With over 10 million subscribers, TracFone Wireless has been the undisputed leader in prepaid wireless since its founding in 1996. TracFone Wireless is a subsidiary of América Móvil S.A.B. de C.V. (“AMX”) (BMV: AMX; NYSE: AMX; NASDAQ: AMOV; LATIBEX: XAMXL). América Móvil is the fourth largest cell phone company in the world and the largest in all of the Americas with more than 153 million cell phone subscribers. América Móvil has been named “Technology Hot 100” company by Business Week for the past two years in a row.

TracFone Wireless’ formula for success is simple – exclusive focus on prepaid cell phones and service. Unlike most prepaid providers, TracFone Wireless does not require its customers to enter into a service contract. TracFone Wireless customers enjoy the freedom TracFone has to offer – No Bills, No Contracts, No Surprises – you are in control. Prepaid is all TracFone Wireless does and with over 10 million subscribers, TracFone Wireless does it better than anybody else.

TracFone Wireless believes that cell phone ownership is a right and an important tool for individual success in today's world. Everyone should have a cell phone without the need for a contract or a high credit rating. People should have the right to always know what their cell phone service will cost and no one should have to pay more than they want or can afford. TracFone Wireless believes in making the cost to own & maintain a cell phone as low as possible and TracFone Wireless never charges extra fees to activate your service.

TracFone Wireless is glad to lead the movement in the U.S. to make cell phone service available to everyone. TracFone Wireless invests hundreds of millions of dollars every year to reduce the prices of our cell phones and make them affordable for all.

Our Phones

TracFone Wireless has a global relationship with major manufacturers such as Motorola, Nokia, LG and Kyocera. Therefore, TracFone Wireless is able to bring the highest quality phones and features to customers at the best prices. TracFone Wireless offers a range of cell phones from basic models such as the Motorola C139 to the Motorola W376g.

Our Coverage

TracFone Wireless is renowned for offering the best coverage of any cell phone provider. Our signals are carried on the towers of over 30 major carriers around the U.S. To verify your coverage area, service and cell phone availability, please enter your Zip Code at the Buy Phones page.

Our Retailers

TracFone Wireless has a very close working relationship with its retail partners. TracFone Wireless are the leading cell phone sold at many of the top retail chains, which means that we are held to a higher standard than other providers in terms of service and delivery. You can find our phones at nearly 70,000 stores around the country, as well as our Airtime Cards.

Contact Information

Mailing Address: TracFone Wireless, Inc. 9700 NW 112th Avenue Miami, FL 33178
For Customer Feedback CustomerFeedback@tracfone.com
For Customer Escalations CustomerEscalations@tracfone.com Or call us at: 1-800-876-5753
For Corporate Email Communications CorporateOffice@tracfone.com

To apply online visit: https://www.safelinkwireless.com/EnrollmentPublic/enroll_lifeline.aspx
Can I use both the Link-Up and Lifeline programs? Yes, if you do not have phone service in your home, you can apply for both programs. If you already have phone service, you can still apply for Lifeline.

Do most telephone companies offer Link-Up Florida and Lifeline Assistance Programs? Yes. Companies serving the vast majority of Floridians do offer the programs, and this even includes some cellular companies.

Can my Lifeline local service be cut off if I don't have service now because I haven't paid an old phone bill? No, but your long distance service can be blocked.

I don't have service now because I haven't paid an old phone bill. I also have a low credit rating. Can I still get Lifeline? Yes. The phone company can require you to make payments on the local part of the old bill. If you haven't paid for your long-distance charges, you may need to have your long-distance calling blocked.

Do I have to pay a deposit for Lifeline? If you have your long-distance service blocked, the phone company cannot make you pay a deposit.

What happens to my Lifeline service when I no longer qualify? You should call your phone company and ask for Transitional Lifeline Assistance. This state program gives 30% off the monthly flat rate for residential basic service. You can get this discount for one year after you no longer qualify for the regular Lifeline program.

Will receiving the Link-Up or Lifeline credits impact my benefits from other programs (for example, food stamps)? No.

Do my assets, such as owning a car, affect my income eligibility for the programs? No. Adults of all ages may qualify.

Are the Link-Up and Lifeline programs just for senior adults? No.
First, if you do not have phone service in your home, you will need to contact a local phone company in your area to establish service and apply for the Link-Up Florida and Lifeline Assistance programs.

Already have phone service? Applying is easy. You can call your local phone company and ask for help signing up for the Lifeline Assistance Program.

Visit the PSC’s Lifeline Web page at www.floridapsc.com/utilities/telecomm/lifeline to apply online or obtain a printed application.

Want to apply online? Simply complete the online application using the Lifeline Automated Online Application process and submit your application directly to your telephone company.

Want to apply by mail or fax? Simply print the Link-Up Florida and Lifeline Certification Form. Then, complete the application form and mail or fax it to the address or fax number shown on the application for your telephone company.

If you are a new applicant or re-certify your eligibility at the Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF) for: Temporary Cash Assistance, Food Stamps, Medicaid, Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8), or Federal Student Loans, you may be eligible for expanded Lifeline assistance.

The Florida Public Service Commission wants all eligible low-income residents to receive these discounts.

In addition, if you live on a federally recognized tribal land and are eligible for benefits through the Bureau of Indian Affairs for Tribal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, Head Start Subsidy or the National School Lunch Program’s free lunch program, you may qualify for expanded Lifeline assistance.

If you have further questions, please call the PSC at 1-800-342-3552. You can call the Office of Public Counsel (Office of Public Counsel in Tallahassee) and ask for help signing up for Link-Up Florida or the Lifeline Program. Call 1-800-540-7039 (Office of Public Counsel in Tallahassee) and ask for help signing up for Link-Up Florida or the Lifeline Program.

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Download an application at www.floridaopc.gov/lifeline.cfm and mail it to the Office of Public Counsel using the address at the bottom of the application for your telephone company.

Sign up to benefit! You need to receive these discounts. Low-income residents in Florida benefit from the Florida Public Service Commission’s low-income programs.

The Florida-Public-Service Commission wants all eligible customers in our state to benefit from low-income programs that help make telephone service affordable to low-income customers in our state.

For each additional person, add $5,610. A total of $16,245 gives a $1,354 credit per month on local phone bills. Over a year’s time, that is a savings of $162.00.

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1. Am I eligible? For each additional person, add $5,610.

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<td>$16,245</td>
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**For each additional person, add $5,610.**

**Total Household Income:**

**Number of People in Household:**

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**Application for Link-Up Florida and Lifeline Telephone Assistance**

**Based on Household Income**

The Link-Up Florida and Lifeline Telephone Assistance programs are available to *low-income, residential households.*

*Link-Up* reduces the first installation fee by 50% up to $30.  
*Lifeline* reduces the local basic telephone service charge by $13.50 monthly  
*Lifeline/Link-Up* is only available for one telephone line per address.

To qualify under income guidelines, your household income must be no greater than **150%** of the federal poverty guidelines. **Documentation showing your household income must accompany this application.**

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<td>Last four digits of Social Security Number:___________</td>
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<td><strong>Home Address</strong> <em>(number and street)</em>: ______________</td>
<td><strong>Telephone Number</strong> <em>(number must be in the name of the person requesting service)</em>:</td>
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<td><strong>Apt./Lot/Unit/Room #</strong>(circle one): ______________</td>
<td><strong>Are you applying for Link-Up?</strong> _________</td>
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<td><strong>City:</strong> ______________________</td>
<td><strong>You must contact your company for the correct process to request</strong></td>
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<td><strong>State:</strong> _____________________</td>
<td><strong>Link-Up.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Zip Code:</strong> __________________</td>
<td>If you are not a customer of AT&amp;T Florida, CenturyLink or</td>
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<td><strong>Mailing Address</strong> <em>(if different from home address)</em>:</td>
<td>Verizon, please contact your telephone company to apply for</td>
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<td><strong>How many people live in your household?</strong></td>
<td><strong>What is your total monthly/yearly household income?</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Total Number:</strong> ______________</td>
<td>$ ___________ (monthly / yearly)</td>
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<td><strong>Number of children under age of 18:</strong> ___________</td>
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<td><strong>Number of people receiving income:</strong> ______________</td>
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**Failure to provide the following documents will delay your approval for Lifeline:**

- □ Application completed and signed
- □ Proof of total household income *(See back for examples)*
- □ Recent copy of phone bill

**Please read the following statement carefully before signing.**

I certify under penalty of law that I am the applicant for the Link-Up Florida and Lifeline Telephone Assistance program requested above. I agree to notify the telephone company when I am no longer eligible for this assistance program. The information provided above and its attachments are true and correct.

________________________________________________________
**Applicant Signature** *(must match name on phone bill)*

**Please return this form to:**

Office of Public Counsel  
c/o The Florida Legislature  
111 West Madison St. Rm. 812  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1400  
Fax: (850) 487-6419

To verify receipt of a fax or if you have any questions, please call our toll free number at **1-800-540-7039**.
### Income Guideline Chart

150% of the Poverty Level

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*For families with more than 8 persons, add $5,610 for each additional person to the yearly amount.

**Send copies only. DO NOT SEND ORIGINALS.

### Examples of Proof of Household Income and Supporting Documents

- Social Security Statement of Benefits
- U.S. Income Tax Return
- W-2 Wage and Tax Statements
- Veteran’s Administration Statement of Benefits
- Unemployment Statement of Benefits
- Bank Statement that shows the income of the household
- Workmen’s Compensation Statement of Benefits
- Divorce or Child Support Decree
- 3 Consecutive Pay Stubs (current)
- If your household has $0 income, please write a statement about your circumstances.

### WHAT IS IT?

- **LIFELINE** is a public assistance program that reduces the monthly telephone bill by at least $13.50. (The reduction is in the form of a credit and is deducted from the basic service charge).

- **LINK-UP** is a public assistance program that reduces the cost of the telephone installation fee by 50% up to the amount of $30. **YOU MUST CONTACT YOUR TELEPHONE COMPANY TO REQUEST LINK-UP.** (The reduction is in the form of a credit and is deducted from the first installation fee.)

- **LIFELINE/LINK-UP** is available for one telephone line per household. Phone service must be registered in the name of the applicant. **(Cell phone users and subscribers to companies other than AT&T Florida, CenturyLink or Verizon must contact their service provider to apply for the program).**

**Notice:** If you have a discounted calling plan or calling package with your telephone company, it is possible that your telephone company will not allow you to take advantage of the Lifeline/Link-up reduction in your monthly charges.

Check with your local company to determine the kind of service you currently have and if it prevents your household from receiving the Lifeline/Link-Up discount. **You may terminate your calling plan or package without penalty in order to take advantage of the Lifeline reduction in the basic service charge.**

**PLEASE NOTE:** Safelink cell phone customers may not participate in Lifeline on their home telephone unless they cancel participation with Safelink.

### Who is eligible?

- **Low income households.** Income is determined by the federal poverty guidelines which are based on the number of people in the household and the total amount of money received by each member in the household.

- **Households participating in the following public assistance programs must contact their local telephone company to request an application for Lifeline/Link-Up:** Food Stamps, Medicaid, Federal Housing Assistance Section 8, Supplemental Security Income, Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), National School Lunch Program (NSL) 38 or the Bureau of Indian Affairs Programs.
Bethany Family Apartments
A Permanent Supportive Housing Program of Catholic Charities, Diocese of St. Petersburg, Inc.
13326 Lee St. #1 Dade City, FL 33525

Basic Eligibility Requirements

1. Persons coming from living on the streets (i.e., a place not meant for human habitation)
2. Persons coming from an emergency shelter
3. Persons coming from transitional housing for homeless persons
4. Persons from a short-term stay (up to 30 consecutive days) in an institution who previously resided on the streets or in an emergency shelter
5. Persons fleeing domestic violence

All applicants must have at least one child; and at least one family member who is disabled as defined by HUD criteria

A person with a disability has at least one of the following characteristics:

1. They are considered disabled under Section 223 of the Social Security Act;
2. They have been determined to have a physical, mental, or emotional impairment of long-continued duration, impeding the ability to live independently, and of a nature that could be improved by more suitable housing;
3. They have a developmental disability;
4. They have AIDS or conditions arising from its etiological effects.

AND

Family Income MUST BE Less Than 50% of Pasco County Median Income for family size.

NOTE: All applicants must be documented as to their homeless status and certified by a medical professional as to their disability at the time of their application to enter the Bethany Family Apartments Supportive Permanent Housing Program and live in the Bethany Family Apartments.

All applicants who are eligible for residential services will have a medical, mental, emotional, substance use, a vocational and financial assessment, as well as a background check, PRIOR to being accepted to live in the Bethany Family Apartment residential community. They must be willing and able to actively participate in the program elements required of all participants as well as work on the specific personal goals and objectives established for each individual.
Initial Request for Supportive Services Program Participation

Date: __________________________

I am interested in the Supportive Services Program and living in the Bethany Family Apartments.

Name: __________________________

Contact Information:

You may call me at this number: __________________________

OR

Come see me at this location: __________________________

ON:  [ ] Monday  [ ] Tuesday  [ ] Wednesday  [ ] Thursday  [ ] Friday

DATE: _______/_____/______________ the best time to get in touch with me is:

[ ] Mornings between _________ and _______ AM

AND/OR

[ ] Afternoons between _________ and _______ PM

I have _____ adults and ______ children in my family.

NOTE: The apartments are limited to 2 adults and 1 to 3 children under age 18, depending on age and gender of each child, due to HUD home living arrangement requirements

I have at least one family member with a disability.  [ ] YES  [ ] NO

NOTE: A disabled family member is required for acceptance in to Bethany Family Apartments due to HUD home living arrangement requirements

My family is currently homeless.  [ ] YES  [ ] NO

NOTE: Homelessness status is a requirement for acceptance into the Bethany Family Apartments due to HUD home living arrangement requirements

My current Family Income is: $ __________________________

Signature: __________________________ Date: __________________________

Thank you for considering the Bethany Family Apartments Supportive Services Program. We will make every effort to contact you within 24 business hours. Our office is open 8-5, Monday through Friday. You are encouraged to come in during business hours to discuss your needs with the Program Manager or the Supportive Services Life Coach for further information.

I learned of the Program from: __________________________ (OR)

I was referred to Bethany Family Apartments by: __________________________ Telephone Number: __________

App #: ________ Resident No.: __________ Intake Staff Initials: ________ Date: __________. 
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Eligibility Requirements:

1. There must be at least one child under the age of 18 living in the home.
2. The household must live in Florida, or be working or looking for work in Florida.
3. At least one child or caretaker in the home must be a US citizen or legal resident.
4. We must have the Vendor Agreement page completed and signed by your landlord or mortgage company.
5. You must have proof of your housing emergency – for example, a copy of an eviction notice from the landlord or a mortgage default letter from your mortgage company. In the event of a natural disaster such as fire or flood, the EFAHP office can make a telephone call to the sheriff’s office, fire department, Department of Children and Families office, etc., if you provide us with a phone number, or you may send a copy of an official notice from your county or city fire department, etc.
6. You must provide proof of your present living address. Examples include a rent receipt, utility bill, or other paperwork that lists the name of the head of household or other caretaker, and the present address.
7. You do not have enough money in checking/savings accounts, or the cash to pay your rent or mortgage.
8. The total household income is compared to the State of Florida’s need standard to decide whether the household is eligible.

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<td>Each additional member add $600 (based on 2008 Federal poverty guidelines)</td>
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11. Your application must be signed and dated.

Application Instructions: Most instructions are already on the application. Please print clearly. If you have any questions, please call us first toll-free at 1-877-891-6445 [or in Tallahassee at (850) 488-3700].

Section 1: Parent or Guardian Information:

Please list only those parents or guardians who are now living in the home. If your mailing address is different from your living address, please list both. Check the box that indicates your citizenship status.
Section 2: Children and other Household Members: We must have this information.
Please list all persons, related and unrelated, who live in the home.

Section 3: Income Worksheet:
List all income for each household member. Although income of members who receive SSI is not counted, please list if it is received.

Section 4: Assets:
List any assets that can be converted into cash in a day or less (for example, checking or savings accounts).

Section 5: Other household information:
Describe your housing emergency clearly. Be sure to tell us what you’ve done to try to solve the problem.

SUMMARY: Please include proof of address and proof of your housing emergency (eviction notice, mortgage default letter, etc.) with your application. Make sure you also send the “Vendor Agreement” attached to the application. The Vendor Agreement MUST be filled out and signed by your landlord or mortgage company. Please call us toll-free at 1-877-891-6445 [or in Tallahassee at (850) 488-3700] if you have any questions before you send your application.

Return Address: Department of Children and Families
Office on Homelessness - PDHO
1317 Winewood Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0700
—or—
FAX: (850) 921-2559

APPLICATION CHECKLIST: Before mailing or faxing your application, please do the following:
1. Completely filled out, signed and dated the two-page application.
2. Ask your landlord or mortgage company to complete and sign the Vendor Agreement.
   • If you are applying for security deposit, has the landlord filled in the amount due on the Vendor Agreement?
   • If you are applying for overdue rent or mortgage payment, has the landlord or mortgage company filled in the amount due on the Vendor Agreement?
3. Send us an eviction notice or mortgage default letter?
4. Have you included proof of your living address? This can be a utility bill, rent receipt, or other paperwork that lists the name of the head of household and the present address.

NOTE: You do not need to submit other information. For example, do not send copies of driver’s license, social security card, or other documents.
APPLICATION FOR EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR HOUSING

Read carefully the attached instructions and rules before completing the application. Call toll-free 1-877-891-6445 for assistance.

Section 1. Parent or Guardian Information (Only list parent or guardian now living in the household.)

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<td>Work Phone: Area Code + Number</td>
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<td>State</td>
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<td>Mailing Address (if different): P.O. Box, Number, Street, Apt. or Lot Number</td>
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Parent Two (list ONLY if living in the household):

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Section 2. Children and Other Household Members (Be sure to include birth dates and Social Security numbers.)

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Section 3. Income Worksheet – List all income received by parents, children, and others in your household. Income means any money received during the month and includes working, cash assistance, social security, SSI, unemployment compensation, child support, interest, dividends, and alimony. Be sure to show the amount received before taxes and deductions. Write in the monthly amount for each kind of income, for each person.

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Section 5. Other Household Information

1. Are you a legal resident of Florida, or are you working or seeking work?  
   □ Yes  □ No

2. Check if anyone in your household is receiving:  
   □ Medicaid,  □ Food Stamp benefits, or  □ Temporary Cash Assistance.

3. Does your housing emergency exist because you or someone in your household is on strike, quit a job, refused a job, or refused training?  
   □ Yes  □ No

   If “yes”, give name and reason:___________________________________________________________________________

4. What is your housing emergency? We must have this information.

   

5. If you are asking for assistance to stop an eviction or foreclosure, give the following information:

   In whose name is the rent or mortgage?  _________________________________________________________________

   Who is the landlord or mortgage holder? ________________________________ Telephone #:________________

I am giving true and complete information to the best of my knowledge. I know I am subject to criminal prosecution if false information is given. I also understand that my household may receive Emergency Financial Assistance for Housing only once in a 12 month period. I am the only person in my household applying for assistance, and I am aware that my landlord or other parties may be contacted to verify information given on this form. I know I can request a hearing if I am not satisfied with the action taken on my application.

Your signature:____________________________________________________________  Today’s date:____________________

(If you signed with an “X”, please have two witnesses sign below.)

Witness 1:________________________________________________________

Witness 2:________________________________________________________

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   - If you are applying for security deposit, has the landlord filled in the amount due on the Vendor Agreement?
   - If you are applying for overdue rent or mortgage payment, has the landlord or mortgage company filled in the amount due on the Vendor Agreement?
3. Send us an eviction notice or mortgage default letter?
4. Have you included proof of your living address? This can be a utility bill, rent receipt, or other paperwork that lists the name of the head of household and the present address.

**NOTE:** You do not need to submit other information. For example, do not send copies of driver’s license, social security card, or other documents.
Emergency Financial Assistance for Housing Program (EFAHP)

VENDOR AGREEMENT

*** Landlord or Mortgage Company Must Complete and Sign ***

The undersigned landlord, mortgage holder or vendor hereby agrees to meet the following conditions in order to receive a one-time vendor payment of up to $400 for the rent, mortgage, or security deposit of the tenant found to be eligible for the Emergency Financial Assistance for Housing Program (EFAHP):

(1) The eligible household will only be charged, through the company’s normal billing process, the actual unpaid difference between the vendor payment and the remaining unpaid cost for housing.

(2) The household receiving assistance under the EFAHP program will not be treated adversely or discriminated against because of receipt of this assistance, or evicted without legal cause within 30 days of EFAHP payment.

(3) The household may be eligible for assistance under this program for only one emergency every twelve months.

(4) EFAHP funds are to be used only for overdue rent or mortgage payments, or for security deposits for new tenants.

(5) When the benefit to the tenant does not pay the complete charges owed by the tenant, the tenant is responsible for the remaining amount owed.

(6) If the amount of assistance received from the department for one month’s rent/mortgage is greater than the minimum amount needed to prevent eviction/foreclosure, the overage will be returned to the department office shown below.

(7) Department staff are not authorized to guarantee payment and any agreements made do not guarantee payment.

(8) If a rental security deposit is paid by this program, the amount which remains after the tenant moves out and after the landlord has subtracted the cost to repair damages pursuant to the lease, the difference will be returned to the department office shown below. The excess amount repaid is to be identified as EFAHP security deposit funding listing the month and year paid, and the name of the tenant.

Name of tenant:____________________________________________________________________________

Address of tenant:________________________________________________________________________

City:________________________________________ State:_____________ Zip code:______________

Telephone number (if known):_______________________________________________________________

Security deposit amount due: $_____________ Overdue rent or mortgage amount due: $_____________

Name of Landlord,
Mortgage Holder or Vendor:________________________________________________________________

Signature of Landlord,
Mortgage Holder or Vendor:________________________________________________________________

Company Name (if applicable):________________________________________________________________

Street or PO Box:____________________________________________________________________________

City:________________________________________ State:_____________ Zip code:______________

Telephone number:________________________________________ Date:____________________

To be returned with the application for Emergency Financial Assistance for Housing to:

By mail to: Department of Children and Families
Office on Homelessness - PDHO
1317 Winewood Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0700

Or by fax to: (850) 921-2559
Toll free telephone number 1-877-891-6445 [or in Tallahassee (850) 488-3700]

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Our School District is able to help families in need on a limited basis with specific items such as Holiday baskets and school supplies. Our district is able to provide this assistance through donations by private citizens, community organizations and school Board employees. Please understand that specific needs may not be met due to unavailability of supplies or lack of funding. If the school is unable to meet your needs the ABC representative will direct you to appropriate resources in the community. Please list only school aged children in your family currently living in your home on one form and return it to the **ABC Coordinator** or **School Social Worker**. The ABC coordinator will contact you if the program is able to meet your family’s need.

**School:**

**Parent/Guardian’s Name:**

**Address:**

**Telephone:**

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I give my permission for my child(ren) to receive help.

**Print Name:**

**Signature:**

**Parent/Signature**

**Date:**
If the problem is not corrected within the seven days and you withhold the rent, the landlord may take you to court to collect it. Under these circumstances, you must pay the rent into the court registry, pending the judge's determination in the case.

**If the Tenant Does Not Comply**

**Section 83.56(2), F.S.**
You can be evicted for not living up to the agreement. The process of removal depends on the breach.

**FAILURE TO MEET OBLIGATIONS**
Except for the failure to pay rent, a landlord must notify you in writing of any shortcomings and give you seven days in which to correct the situation. If you still have not complied after seven days, the landlord can begin the eviction process based on non-compliance.

**Other Evictions**

**Section 83.56(2)(a), F.S.**
Under certain circumstances, if you have exhibited a lack of consideration for the rights and privacy of others, a landlord has the right to require you to move with very little notice.

In some cases (destruction, damage, misuse of property, or unreasonable disturbances), the landlord does not have to give you an opportunity to remedy the problem and may terminate tenancy by giving you a seven-day written notice.

Each eviction case is unique, so be sure to obtain legal advice. A landlord MAY NOT evict you solely in retaliation for the tenant complaining to a governmental agency about code violations or asserting other tenant rights.

**Non-Payment of Rent**

**Section 83.56(3), F.S.**
The landlord must serve you, the tenant, a written notice allowing three days (excluding weekends and legal holidays) for you to pay the rent or move from the premises. If you do not pay the rent or move, the landlord may begin legal action to evict you.

In order for the landlord to gain payment of rent or possession of the dwelling, he/she must file suit in county court. If the court agrees with the landlord, you will be notified in writing. You then have five days (excluding weekends and legal holidays) to respond - also in writing - to the court. If you do not respond or a judgment is entered against you, the clerk of the county court will issue a "Writ of Possession" to the sheriff who will notify you that eviction will take place in 24 hours.

**Section 83.57, F.S.**
Termination of tenancy without a specific term - days of written notice required (prior to termination):
- Weekly ------ 7 days
- Monthly ------ 15 days
- Quarterly ------ 30 days
- Yearly ------ 60 days

**Section 83.67, F.S.**
Florida Law does not allow a landlord to force a tenant out by:
- Shutting off the utilities or interrupting service, even if that service is under the control of or the landlord makes payment;
- Changing the locks or using a device that denies the tenant access;
- Removing the outside doors, locks, roof, walls or windows (except for purposes of maintenance, repair or replacement); and/or
- Removing the tenant's personal property from the dwelling unless action is taken after surrender, abandonment, recovery of possession of the dwelling unit due to the death of the last remaining tenant in accordance with section 83.59(3)(d), or lawful eviction.

If any of these occur, the tenant may sue for actual and consequential damages or three months' rent, whichever is greater, plus court costs and attorney's fees.

**WHEN YOU DECIDE TO MOVE**

Don't forget to give the required notice as stated in your rental agreement. The information below indicates appropriate notification if a specific time period is not included in the rental agreement. Be sure to check your rental agreement for any other specified condition.

Under certain circumstances, if allowed by the provisions of the rental agreement, a rental agreement may be ended when either party gives written notice to the other of their intention. Send all correspondence relating to your intentions to the landlord by certified mail or deliver it by hand and insist on a receipt.

It is usually a good idea to talk with the landlord in person, too. If you must cancel a lease before its expiration date, perhaps the landlord will accept the security deposit as the total financial obligation. If so, be sure to obtain a signed agreement to this effect from the landlord.

When you move from a rental unit - no matter the duration - be sure to settle all accounts. Terminate utility service the day you leave, notify the landlord, post office and others your address change and make other arrangements to minimize inconvenience to the landlord or the new tenants.

One of the most important responsibilities as a tenant is to leave the premises in a clean condition for the next occupant. Be sure to vacuum, sweep, clean all rooms, cabinets and appliances, as well as other areas specified in the terms and conditions of the rental agreement. Take a last walk-through with the landlord. Note any damages in writing and reach a final agreement.

**MILITARY SERVICE**

**Section 83.682, F.S.**
Florida Statutes provides that a service member may terminate his or her rental agreement under certain conditions. For a free copy of the full text version of the statute, give us a call at 1-800-HELP-FLA (435-7352) or visit our website at www.800helpfla.com and click on publications.

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www.800helpfla.com visit us online at

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www.800helpfla.com
Who is Responsible??

The tenant is responsible for all damages to the property caused by

• Not following the rules and regulations.
• Not paying rent or paying late.
• Not keeping the property clean and in good condition.
• Not following the rental agreement.
• Not fulfilling the lease agreement.

The landlord is responsible for:

• Repairing the property in a timely manner.
• Providing a safe and habitable living environment.
• Not entering the property without permission.
• Providing proper maintenance and repairs.
• Not discriminating against the tenant.

The property owner or manager should:

• Ensure that the property is safe and legal.
• Provide a written rental agreement.
• Keep the property clean and in good condition.
• Enforce the rules and regulations.
• Follow proper eviction procedures.
• Provide proper notice and reasons for eviction.

If the landlord does not comply, the tenant may:

• Report the landlord to the那里管辖和 enforcement agencies.
• Seek legal action against the landlord.
• Withhold rent.
• Terminate the lease agreement.
Many folks have difficulty finding ways to make ends meet. Here are some suggestions to get control of your money.

1. **Living within your means.** If there is more going out than coming in there needs to be some decisions and changes in spending. This is crucial to resolving money problems. Plan out expenses you know you have regularly and make a plan to cover these expenses. If you have more output than input consider what can be eliminated.

2. **Have an emergency fund.** Stuff happens! Even if it is just a few dollars, sock it away for those times when life happens as it invariably will.

3. **Eliminate living on credit.** Folks who use credit to cover the cost for their basic need items like food and shelter or to reward themselves with "fun" toys will often find themselves in a deep hole of debt that can be difficult to climb out of. If you want something instead of reaching for the plastic get an envelope and put a dollar inside. Add to that dollar whenever you can. You will probably enjoy that item much more once you get it!

Complete the budget on the following page. Spend some time thinking about what you learn from this. Talk to your partner if you have one.
**Fill in your monthly expenses and income below:**

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What is higher, your expenses or income?

If your income is higher, great, now how much are you saving each month?

If your expenses are higher, you have some decisions to make. How can you lower your expenses? Or, how can you increase your income?
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