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Announcements

Schedule:

- The training will run from 9 am until approximately 4 pm
- Breaks: Morning and Afternoon (15 minutes each)
- Lunch: Approximately 12 1 pm
- Staff will present the training and allow for questions after each topic is covered

Housekeeping:

- Certificates will be provided after the conclusion of the class by email; you may want to keep an eye on the "junk" folder.
- We suggest you silence your phones and put an "out of office" email response, if virtual, to help avoid distractions during the training
- If virtual, please pose questions and comments in the "Questions Box"

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General Resources

- HUD Handbook 4350.3
 - https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/administration/hudclips/handbooks/hsgh/4350.3
 - Chapters 3 and 5 along with corresponding tools and exhibits
- HUD Notice H 2023–10 and Notice PIH 2023–27
 - https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/OCHCO/documents/2023-27pihn.pdf
 - This document replaces Chapters 3 and 5 of the HUD 4350.3 until/unless a revised Handbook is released
 - This document was updated to include further clarifications on February 2, 2024
- Technical Guide for Determining Income and Allowances for the HOME Program
 - https://files.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/HOMEGuideForIncomeAndAllowances.pdf
- 24 CFR §5.609 Annual Income
 - https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-24/subtitle-A/part-5#5.609
- Texas Administrative Code
 - https://texas-sos.appianportalsgov.com/rules-andmeetings?chapter=10&interface=VIEW_TAC&part=1&subchapter=F&title=10



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Multifamily Compliance Resources

- Multifamily Compliance Forms
 - https://www.tdhca.texas.gov/compliance-forms
- Multifamily Compliance Manuals and Rules
 - https://www.tdhca.texas.gov/compliance-manuals-and-rules
- Income and Rent Limits
 - https://www.tdhca.texas.gov/income-and-rent-limits
- Multifamily Compliance Training and Presentations
 - https://www.tdhca.texas.gov/compliance-training
 - https://www.tdhca.texas.gov/compliance-program-training-presentations
- Contact List
 - https://www.tdhca.texas.gov/compliance-division-staff
- TBRA Links
 - https://www.tdhca.texas.gov/tenant-based-rental-assistance-tbra-program



Definitions

Income

- ALL amounts, monetary or not, that go to or are received on behalf of the Head, Spouse, or Co-Head (even if the member is temporarily absent), or any other member
- ALL amounts anticipated to be received from a source outside the applicant group during the 12-month period following admission or certification
- Annual Income includes all amounts not specifically excluded by regulation; 24 CFR §5.609
- For a listing of income exclusions, refer to Notice 2023–10 and Notice 2023–27. (https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/OCHCO/documents/2023-27pihn.pdf)

Assets

- · Assets are items of value that may be turned into cash
- Items are not required to be "cashed out" at time of application
- Not all items of value are considered an asset
- Income from Assets includes all amounts not specifically excluded by regulation; 24 CFR §5.609
- For a listing of asset inclusions and exclusions, refer to Notice 2023–10 and Notice 2023–27. (https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/OCHCO/documents/2023-27pihn.pdf)

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Household versus Family

Household

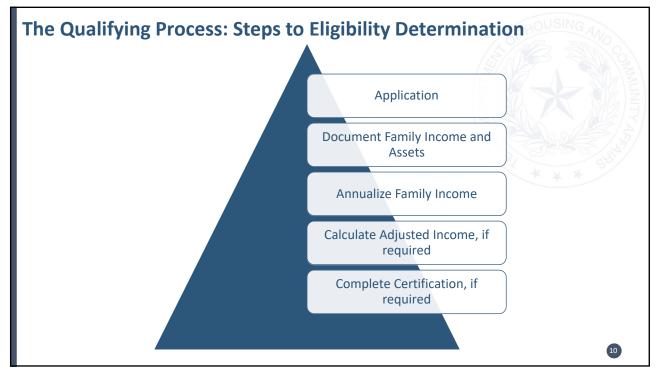
• All members of the applicant group

Family

 All members of the applicant group, or household, that must be included for purposes of eligibility







The Qualifying Process: The Application

• There is no required form, the application must screen for ALL sources of income, assets and student: If the Development is layered with

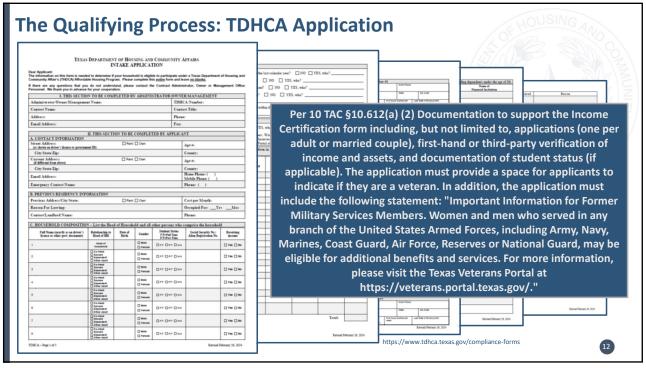
programs outside of the Department's

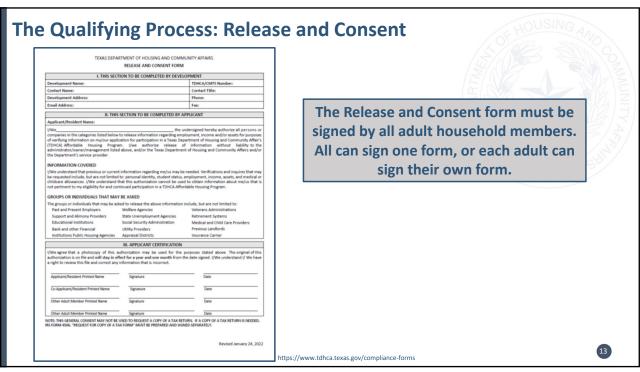
jurisdiction (Rural Development, Project

- Should be completed by the ho
- Staff should review the appli appears eligible based on the it
- appears eligible based on the il Based Section 8, etc.) there may be
 Electronic applications are accertage additional program requirements not required screening questions a discussed in this training.
 would be provided if the household came into the office to complete
- Obtain the "Release and Consent" form from all adults
 - Necessary to verify disclosed income, assets and student status
- Your program may have specific form requirements for applications, make sure you are complying with your program requirements

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The Qualifying Process: The Household; Who Counts?

Head Spouse

Other Adults

• Unborn children (self-certified)
• Joint custody – present 50% or more of the time
• Away at school but live with family during breaks
• In the process of being adopted
• Temporarily absent due to placement in foster care

The Qualifying Process: Whose Income Counts?

Family Members	Earned Income	Other Income (including income from assets)
Head	Yes	Yes
Spouse	Yes	Yes
Co-Head	Yes	Yes
Other Adult	Yes	Yes
Dependents (under 18)	No	Yes
Full-time Student - 18 or older	Yes**	Yes
Household Members	Earned Income	Other Income (including income from assets)
Live-in Aide	No	No
Foster Adult	No	No
Foster Children (under 18)	No	No

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The Qualifying Process: Live-in Aide

Household Member	Earned Income	Other Income (including income from assets)
Live-in Aide	No	No

Income and assets from a Live-in Aide can be **excluded** if **ALL** of the following apply:

- Live-in Aide must reside with the applicant member
- Must be essential to the care and well-being of the applicant member
- May **NOT** be obligated for the financial support of the applicant member
- Would not be considered a member except to provide the necessary supportive services

Requirements for a Live-in Aide:

- Verification of the need for the live-in aide must be obtained from a medical practitioner or a healthcare provider
 - Confidential medical information SHOULD NOT be sought
- A relative may be considered a live-in aide if they meet the requirements
- A spouse may not be considered a live-in aide



Learning Point: Live-In Aide 1

Sample Household:

- Fred; Head of Household
- Francis; Spouse
- dl; Live-In Aide
- This household is comprised of 3 people with 2 family members, true or false?

True, live-in aides do not count towards the family for the purposes of eligibility. This would be a 3-person household, Mark is a live-in Aide and would not be part of the family for purposes of eligibility.



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Learning Point: Live-In Aide 2

Sample Household:

- William; Head of Household
- Sylvia; Spouse/Live-In Aide
- This household is comprised of 2 people with 1 family member, true or false?

False, a spouse cannot be considered a live-in aide.



The Qualifying Process: Foster Persons

Household Members	Earned Income	Other Income (including income from assets)
Foster Adult	No	No
Foster Children (under 18)	No	No

Foster persons, <u>as defined by state law</u>, are excluded from the calculations for family eligibility. The foster assignment must be through a court or welfare agency and documentation of assignment must be present in the file.

Payments received for the care of foster children or foster adults are not counted. This rule only applies to payments made through official foster care relationships with local welfare agencies.



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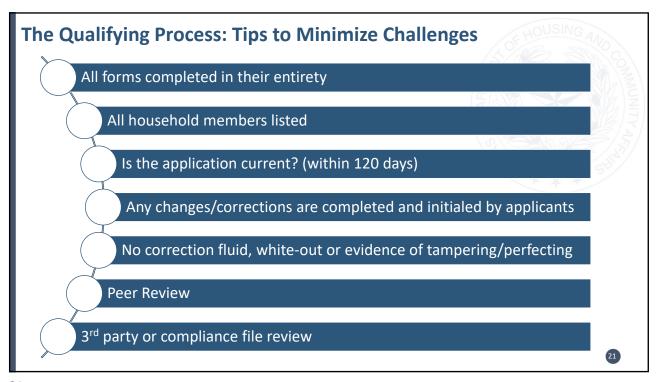
Learning Point: Foster Persons

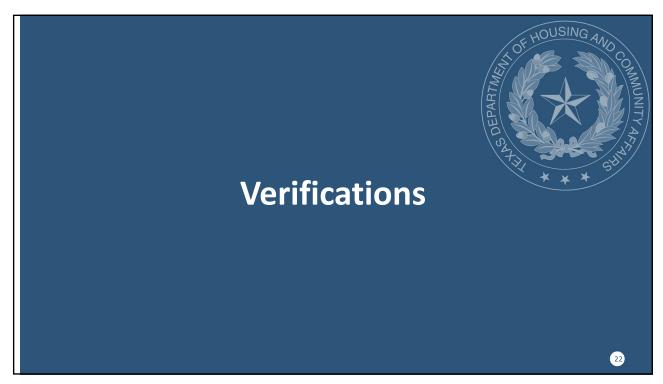
Sample Household:

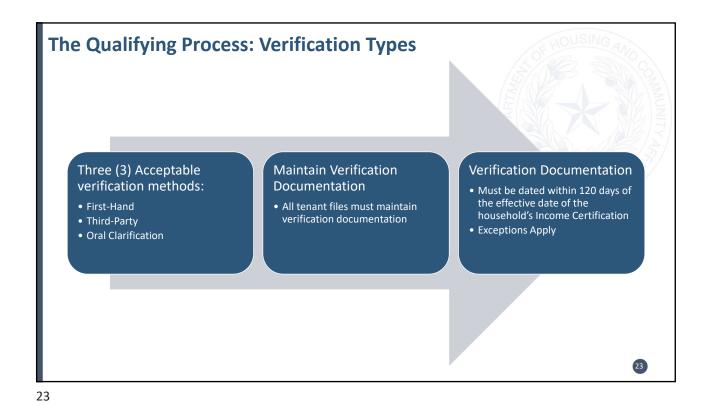
- Jesse; Head of Household
- Erin; Foster Adult
- Lynn; Foster Child
- Jane; Foster Child
- This is a 4-person household with 1 family member, true or false?

True, foster persons do not count towards the family for the purposes of eligibility. This would be a 4-person household with only 1 family member counting towards eligibility, everyone else listed is a foster person and would not be part of the family for purposes of eligibility.









Income: Verification Hierarchy

- Enterprise Income Verification (EIV)
 - For any program that requires the use of EIV
- Web-based Income Verification
 - This is the next highest ranking verification type
- First-Hand (tenant-provided) Documentation
 - · This a high ranked verification type
- Third Party Verification
 - This is a medium ranked verification type
 - Must be sent by the person verifying and returned, the applicant should not handle
- Oral Clarification/Verification
 - This type of verification should only be used to clarify missing or incomplete information
- Self-Certification
 - This should be used for any income that cannot be verified by other methods and to clarify unclear information

Section 811 PRA
requires the use of
the EIV system, this
will be the
preferred method
for those programs
based on the
income source.

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Income: Enterprise Income Verification (EIV)

- Used by properties participating in HUD's assisted housing programs, such as the 811 PRA program
- The Enterprise Income Verification (EIV) system is a web-based application which provides owners information on:
 - Employment
 - Wage
 - Unemployment compensation
 - Social Security benefits
- There are 2 types of EIV reports; Verification and Income Reports
- The income reports are:
 - Income Report
 - Income Discrepancy Report
 - No Income Reported on 50059
 - No Income Reported by HHS or SSA
 - New Hires Report
- Used at recertification (Interim and Recertification) to reduce errors in subsidy payments
- Owners must print (include print date) and maintain in master binders or tenant files, as required, to document compliance with running these reports
- Owners must address discrepancies between the EIV data and what was reported previously on HUD-50059s or current screening



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Income: Web-based Income Verification

- Web-based Income Verification
 - Information from a reputable source
 - Maintain the full report in the file
 - The Work Number, for example





Income: First-Hand Documentation

- First-Hand (applicant provided) Documentation
 - Acceptable if the documentation identifies
 - Applicant and Employer; Pay Period and Pay Date; Gross Pay
 - · Account Holder and Bank; Interest Rate, if any
 - Paystubs, bank statements, child support payment histories, Social Security Award Letters, Tax Returns, etc.
 - Paperwork Reduction Act minimized the required number of paystubs to 2
 - Some programs require 60 days of source documentation to verify income
 - Review itemization of all amounts included in gross pay and year-to-date earnings
 - Review for any assets not included on the application



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HTC/BOND/THTF/TCAP/TCEP (Exchange) and 811 Programs: O Gather enough paystubs to determine frequency of pay No set number of stubs required Minimum of 2 stubs are required by HUD HOME/HOME-ARP/TCAP-RF/NHTF/NSP Programs: O Gather enough paystubs to determine frequency of pay No set number of stubs required O Minimum of 2 stubs are required by HUD

Income: Third Party Verification

- Third Party Verification
 - Employment Verification, Asset Verification, Child Support Verification, etc.
 - This verification type is acceptable if:
 - The form is sent directly to and from the third party
 - The verification cannot be hand-carried by the applicant
 - The verification must be completed in its entirety
 - Mail
 - · Maintain the envelop in which the verification was sent and received
 - Fax
 - Must include the company name and source's fax number
 - Email
 - Reliable if the email includes name of appropriate person or firm, maintain email in the tenant file



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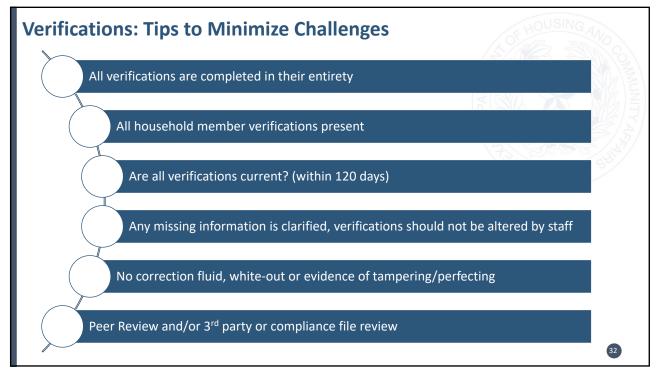
Income: Oral Verifications and Self-Certifications

- Oral Clarification/Verification
 - This type of verification should only be used to clarify missing or incomplete information and any discrepancies
 - This type of verification/clarification is acceptable if it is documented and from a reliable third-party source
 - Must include date & time, person contacted & their contact information, contact's title, what information was clarified and staff name and signature
- Self-Certification
 - This should be used for any income that cannot be verified by other methods



Verification Hierarchy: Oral Clarification TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS TELEPHONE VERIFICATION/CLARIFICATION RECORD The Department has made I. THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY DEVELOPMENT available a Telephone Applicant/Resident realize. Verification that can be used Source of clarification: Phone Conversation Person to Person Other: Explain: for Oral Clarifications. This can be used as a source of II. VERIFIED INFORMATION clarification for a gathered third party or first-hand verification. This form is available on the Department III. ADMINISTRATOR, OWNER, MANAGEMENT AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE CERTIFICATION Lecrify that the above information is true and correct website. 31 https://www.tdhca.texas.gov/compliance-forms

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Income: Excluded Income Sources

- Insurance Payments and Settlements
- Employment Income for **Students**
- Payments to keep family members with disabilities living at home
- Payments from the U.S. Census Bureau for work on • Income or lump sums **Decennial Census**
- Direct Federal/State Payments for Economic Stimulus or Recovery
- Tax Returns**

- Gifts for holidays, birthdays,
 Interest income received or other significant life events
- Lump sum additions to assets like lottery winnings
- Civil Settlements from an action that caused someone to become disabled
- received from Civil Rights Settlements
- Back-pay received as a result of a Civil Rights Action
- Workers' Compensation

- from a retirement account
 - · Periodic payments are income
- Certain Student Financial **Assistance**
- VA Benefits for HUD-VASH Voucher Holders (NEW)
- Any other income excluded by 24 CFR 5.609

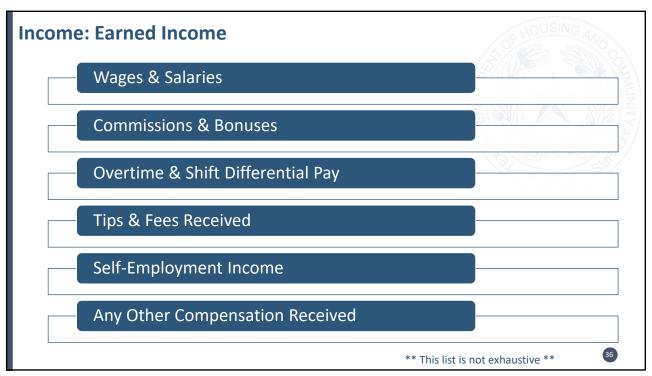
Any of the Lump Sums outlined on this slide that are placed in an asset, except Tax Returns, will count towards the household assets.

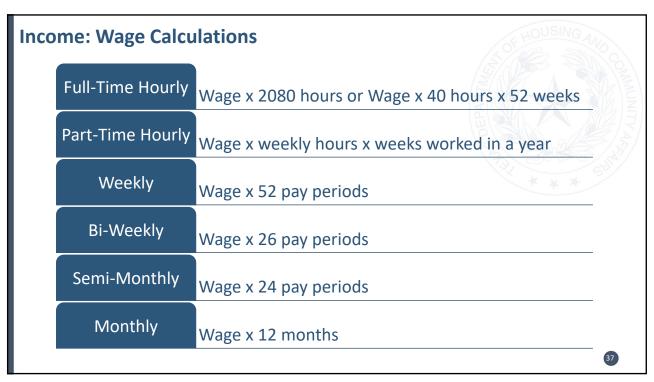
Income: Excluded VA Benefits for HUD-VASH Voucher Holders

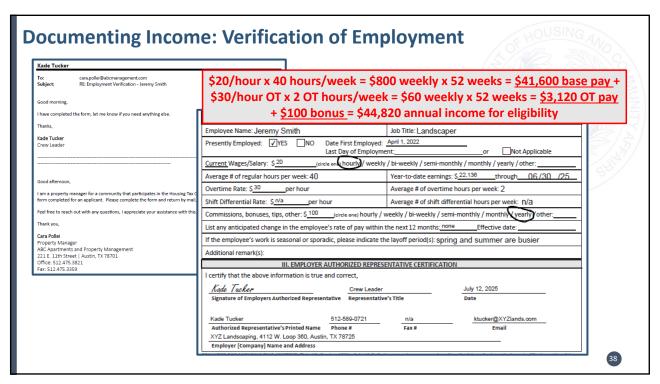
- HUD published a Notice on August 13, 2024, announcing changes to the Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) program to improve access for veterans experiencing homelessness.
- On September 24, 2024, the IRS issued Revenue Procedure 2024-38, allowing the same income exclusion for Housing Tax Credit (HTC) and BOND programs.
- The exclusion only applies to tenants receiving assistance under the HUD-VASH program. It does not apply to HTC or BOND residents that do not receive assistance under the HUD-VASH program.

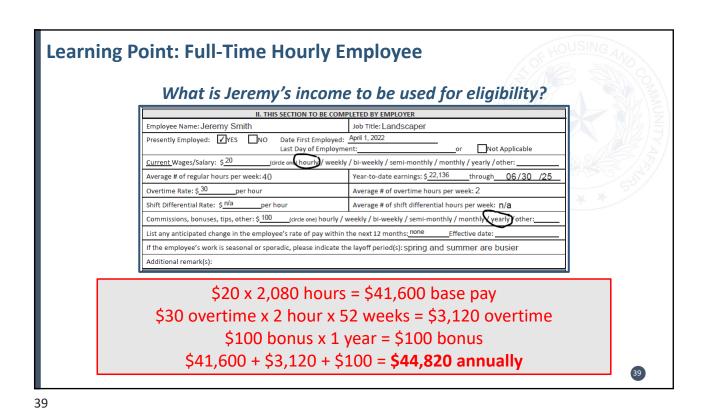


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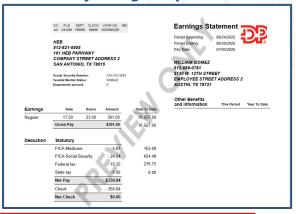


Learning Point: Part-Time Hourly Employee What is Jay's income to be used for eligibility? II. THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY EMPLOYER Employee Name: Jay Moore Job Title: stocker Date First Employed: 5/25/2025 Presently Employed: YES NO ✓ Not Applicable Current Wages/Salary: \$15.00 _(circle on () hourly) weekly / bi-weekly / semi-monthly / monthly / yearly / other: Average # of regular hours per week: 22 Overtime Rate: \$n/a Average # of overtime hours per week: n/a Shift Differential Rate: \$n/a Average # of shift differential hours per week: n/a (circle one) hourly / weekly / bi-weekly / semi-monthly / monthly / yearly / other List any anticipated change in the employee's rate of pay within the next 12 months: unknown If the employee's work is seasonal or sporadic, please indicate the layoff period(s):part-time employee Additional remark(s):Part-time employees do not get regular raises, they are budget based and unknown at this time \$15 x 22 hours x 52 weeks = **\$17,160 annually**

Learning Point: Paystub Average; Weekly Pay

What is William's income to be used for eligibility?





\$340 + 391 = \$731 total/2 paystubs = \$365.50 average x 52 weeks = **\$19,006 annually**

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Learning Point: Paystub Average; Bi-Weekly

What is Jane's income to be used for eligibility?

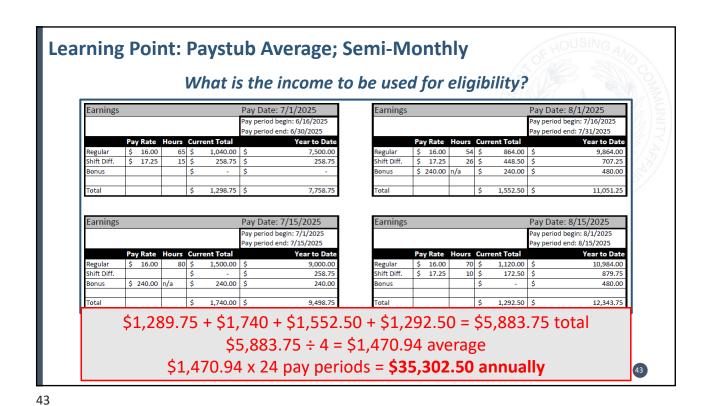
Jane's Work Number Report shows the last 5 paystubs:

- July 11th: \$1,650
- July 25th: \$1,685
- August 8th: \$1,432
- August 22nd: \$1,719
- September 5th: \$1,103

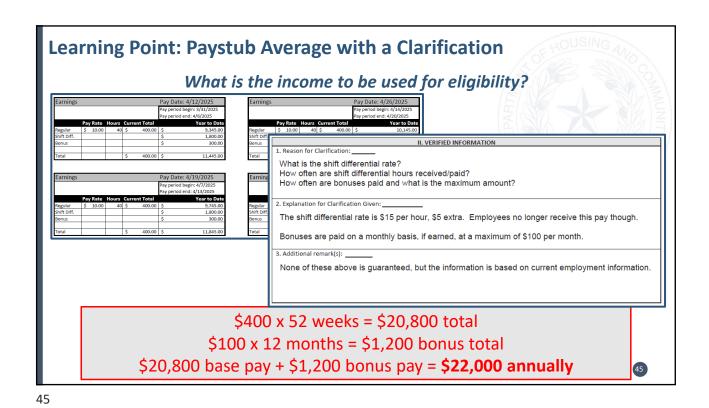
\$1,650 + \$1,685 + \$1,432 + \$1,719 + \$1,103 =
\$7,589 total
\$7,589 ÷ 5 = \$1,517.80 average
\$1,517.80 x 26 pay periods = \$39,462.80 annually



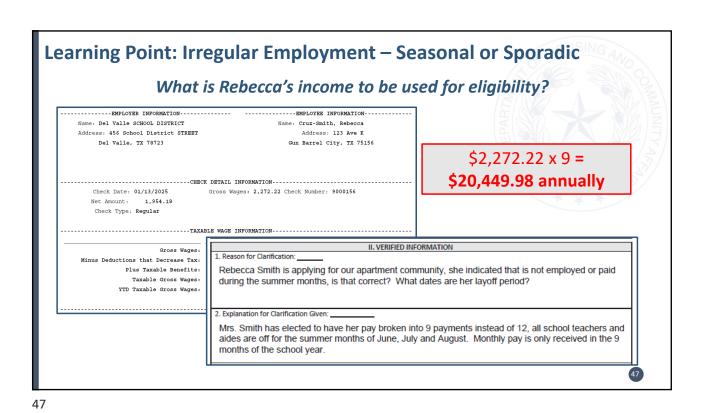




Learning Point: Paystub Average with a Twist What is the income to be used for eligibility? Pay Date: 4/12/2025 Earnings Pay Date: 4/26/2025 av period end: 4/6/2025 av period end: 4/20/2025 Regular Shift Diff. 10,145.00 hift Diff. Earning Earning Pay Date: 4/19/2025 Pay Date: 5/2/2025 Year to Dat 400.00 12,745.00 \$400 + \$400 + \$500 + \$400 = \$1,700 total $$1,700 \div 4 = 425 average \$425 x 52 pay periods = **\$22,100 annually, but wait...** 44

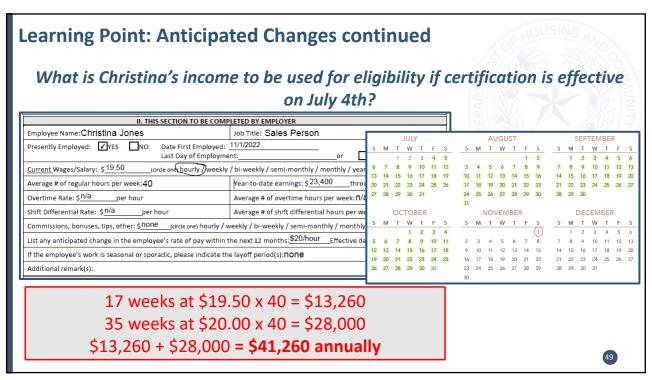


Income: Irregular Employment – Seasonal or Sporadic Verified Amounts Verification unavailable Reasonable Judgement If unable to verify the Use reasonable restrictions/range judgement, most Include amounts that assume it will reliable approach to can be verified continue throughout estimating the certification anticipated income period



Income: Anticipated Changes

- Anticipated changes can include:
 - Rate of pay
 - · Hours worked
 - Benefits (bonus or commission, for example) received
- If the applicant anticipates the increase...
 - Take the anticipated increase into account when determining eligibility
 - If verification is not possible, or employer will not confirm, gather a selfcertification
- Paystubs should be reviewed to confirm increases in pay and calculated using the increased pay, if a change occurred during the period for which paystubs were obtained



Income: Self-Employment/Income from Business Net Income = Gross Income -(Business Expenses, the interest on loans and depreciation computed on Net Income from a straight-line basis) **Business** Include the following If Net Income is negative, Count as **ZERO** Salaries distributed Any family member in the applicant from the business to group Cash or assets Exception: Unless withdrawal is a withdrawn by family reimbursement of cash or assets members invested in the business

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Learning Point: Self-Employment Income

Morgan has a landscaping business. They gross \$4,900 per month. Their quarterly expenses (repairs, fuel, supplies, etc.) are \$1,600. Morgan has one part-time employee that is paid \$1,500 per month.

What is the income to be included for Morgan's self-employment?

\$4,900 x 12 months = \$58,800 annual gross income **MINUS**

\$1,500 payroll x 12 months = \$18,000 annual payroll \$1,600 quarterly expenses x 4 quarters = \$6,400 annual expenses

\$58,800 - \$18,000 - \$6,400 = **\$34,400** annually



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Income: Peer-To-Peer Payment Applications

Josie babysits; she gets paid through Venmo

- The income Josie receives must be included
- If Venmo holds a balance it is an asset
- If the account does not have a balance, it is not included as an asset

Domanik makes and sells funny t-shirts online, she is paid through PayPal

- The income from the sales is income for the household
- If PayPal holds a balance of money, then it must be included as an asset
- If the account does not have a balance, it is not included as an asset

Sean's roommates pay him back for the home expenses incurred through Zelle

- Zelle is a pass-thru account only, it cannot hold money, so this is not an asset
- This is not income, it is a reimbursement
- If Sean was receiving money for something like dog-sitting for his roommate, that would be income to include in the calculation of eligibility





Income: Tip Income TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS Let's talk about tip income... UNDECLARED TIP INCOME CERTIFICATION Tips are not always reflected on Applicant/Tenant: paystubs or verifications , hereby certify that I receive \$ weekly/monthly/quarterly/annually (circle one) in undeclared tip incom-Obtain a self-certification (←) of These are tips the I DO NOT report to my employer, and are in addition to the amount of tip income I report to anticipated tips Tip income is typically earned in service industries Wait Staff & Bartenders Hair Stylists & Nail Technicians Under penalty of perjury, I certify that the information presented in this certification is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I further understand that providing false representations constitutes an act of fraud. False, misleading, or incomplete information may result in the termination of my lease agreement. I understand that I may be required to periodically update this information as requested by owner/agent. Taxi, Delivery and Rideshare Drivers Valet Persons This list is not exhaustive! Signature of Applicant/Tenant Date https://www.tdhca.texas.gov/compliance-form

Learning Point: Hourly Employee; Unreported Tips What is Jeanna's income to be used for eligibility with the self-certified tips? II. THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY EMPLOYER \$19/hour x 40 hours = Job Title: Dog Caregiver and Dog Walker Employee Name: Jeanna Calzada Date First Employed: 11/27/2023 Last Day of Employment: Presently Employed: ✓YES NO \$760/week ✓ Not Applicable Current Wages/Salary: \$ 19.00 __(circle one hourly) weekly / bi-weekly / semi-monthly / monthly / yearly / other: \$28.50/OT hour x 1 hour = Year-to-date earnings: \$ 38,760 ___through 12/26/2024 Average # of regular hours per week: 40 Overtime Rate: \$ 28.50 per hour Average # of overtime hours per week: 1 \$28.50/week Shift Differential Rate: \$21.00 Average # of shift differential hours per week: 8 Commissions, bonuses, tips, other: \$\frac{50 \text{ tips}}{200 \text{ tips}} \text{(circle one) hourly /(weekly / bi-weekly / semi-monthly / monthly / yearly / other \$2/hour SD x 8 hours = List any anticipated change in the employee's rate of pay within the next 12 months: none If the employee's work is seasonal or sporadic, please indicate the layoff period(s): n/a \$16/week Additional remark(s): All employees are required to work one over-night shift a week \$50 employer tips + \$50 self-Apartment: 101 Applicant/Tenant: <u>J</u>eanna Calzada certified tips = \$100/week \$760 + \$28.50 + \$16 + \$100 = \$904.50 weekly total \$904.50 weekly x 52 weeks = These are tips the I DO NOT report to my employer, and are in addition to the amount of tip income I report to my employer for tax purposes.

Income: Social Media Influencer

There are many ways a person can get paid for being a social media influencer. Most are independent contractors and should be treated as self-employed.

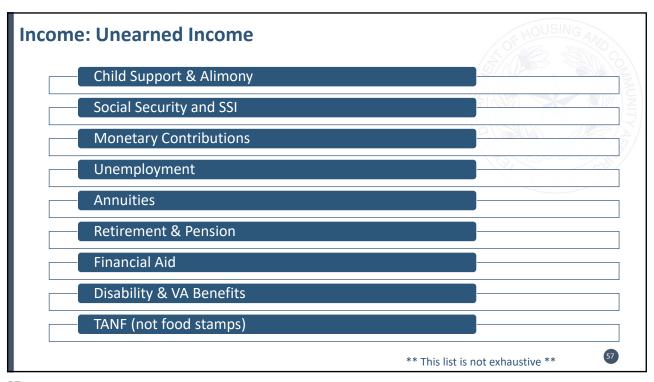
Example: Kevin streams for YouTube. He can make anywhere from \$1,200 to \$4,000, dependent upon his views, ads, etc., per month and receives a statement each month. He also has subscribers and gifts given which must also be included as income. In this case, he can provide the most recent 4-6 statements. To calculate his income, average the statements and count the net income. The taxes paid/owed are not considered an allowable deduction when determining the net income. Please note, not all influencers receive monthly statements; therefore, you will need to work with the applicant and/or prospective resident regarding what they have available to verify their income.

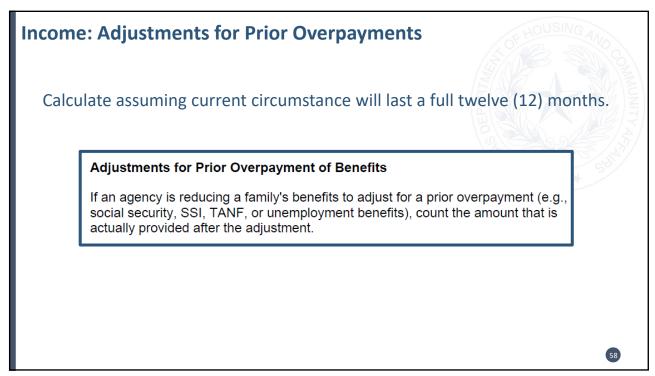
Acceptable forms of verification would include:
- IRS form 1040 schedule C or 4506-T
- Statements showing net income (most recent 4-6 to average)
- Other documentation listed in Appendix 3 of the 4350.3
- Self affidavit as last resort

Citation: HUD 4350.3, 5-6H, page 5-13 Appendix 3 (Acceptable forms of verification)

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\$47,034 annually





Income: Unemployment Income

Based on the unemployment benefit statement; what is the amount of unemployment income that would be included in the calculation of eligibility?

Claim Type: Regular Unemployment Benefits

Claim Start Date: **392.00

Maximum Possible Benefits: \$9,176.00

Benefits Paid to Date: \$2,730.00

Benefits Remaining: \$6,446.00

Next Date to Request Payment:

Your Scheduled Filing Day is: SUNDAY

\$392 x 52 weeks = **\$20,384 annually**



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Income: Unemployment Income Exception

Housing Tax Credit (HTC) Program Exception

Annualized payments should not be used unless the source of funds is expected to continue throughout the certification period, or for an indeterminable length of time.



Income: Child Support/Alimony

Child Support/Alimony: the amounts received ONLY are included for eligibility, regardless of what the court ordered amount is.

If Court Ordered or through Enforcement Agency:

- Obtain the current pay history at the time of application/certification
- Include the payments received within 120 days of the certification effective date

If NOT Court Ordered or through an Enforcement Agency:

- Obtain a monetary gift letter from the person paying the cash support
- If unable to obtain gift letter, family should self-certify the income

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Learning Point: Child Support/Alimony; Not Received

Kara has a court order to receive \$325 per month, but her exhusband does not pay, she has certified to this fact; however, Kara has made no effort to collect the child support. The payment history received from the Attorney General indicates that payments are not made.

We must count the full \$325 per month as income, true or false?

False

Only the amounts received are included in the annual income for eligibility.



Learning Point: Child Support/Alimony; Given Back

An applicant has provided a pay history showing a payment of child support in the amount of \$250 every month. The applicant is returning all of the money via Venmo since the non-custodial parent and the applicant have mutually agreed upon a change to the child support order and now are sharing custody.

Does the full child support amount need to be included as income?

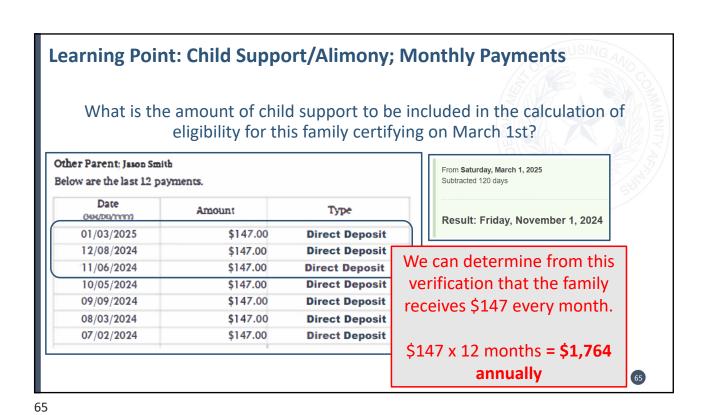
The child support must be included in the family's annual income calculation because the pay history reflects receipt of payments.

It is up to the family to make necessary changes with the child support enforcement agency.



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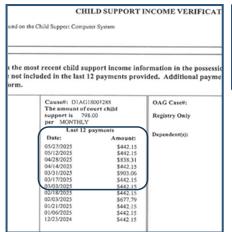
Learning Point: Child Support/Alimony; Regular Payments What is the amount of child support to be included in the calculation of eligibility for this family certifying on January 21st? Date: January 10, 2025 ient Name: JENIFER HERMAN From Tuesday, January 21, 2025 Subtracted 120 days ☐ No case was found on the Child Suppo Cause #: D2-XXXXXXX The amount of court Result: Monday, September 23, 2024 child support is 562.00 This document contains the most recent child per MONTHLY as Title IV-D agency. Federal Tax Offset amounts are not included in the las the reverse side of the form. Last 12 Payments Date: Amount: We can determine from this 12/30/2024 Cause #: D2-X The amount o child support per MONTH Last 12/16/2024 \$258.00 OAG Case #: 12/02/2024 \$258.00 The an child s per 00104 Registry Only verification that the family 11/19/2024 \$258.00 11/05/2024 \$258.00 Dependent(s): IVAN HERMAN receives \$258 every other 10/27/2024 \$258.00 12/30/2024 12/16/2024 12/02/2024 10/07/2024 \$258.00 09/29/2024 09/19/2024 week. 11/19/2024 11/19/2024 11/05/2024 10/27/2024 10/07/2024 09/01/2024 09/16/2024 \$258.00 09/01/2024 \$258.00 10/07/2024 09/29/2024 09/19/2024 09/01/2024 09/01/2024 09/01/2024 \$258 x 26 weeks = **\$6,708** annually 64



Learning Point: Child Support; Sporadic Date: December 27, 2024 Recipient Name: Esther Cruz What is the Child Support to be included in the CHILD SUPPORT INCOME VERIFICATIO ☐ No case was found on the Child Support calculation of eligibility for Esther Cruz with a certification date of February 1, 2025? the reverse side of the form From Saturday, February 1, 2025 Subtracted 120 days OAG Case #: 001868 Registry Only Cause #: 324-xxxx-11 The amount of court child support is 222.00 per BI-WEEKLY OAG Case #: The amount of cou child support is Last 12 Payments Dependent(s): LIAM CRUZ Result: Friday, October 4, 2024 \$120.00 \$75.00 \$50.00 11/23/2024 10/09/2024 \$98.00 \$65.00 \$200.31 \$141.31 \$75.00 \$200.31 \$2041.31 \$65.00 \$20.31 \$120 + \$75 + \$50 = \$245 \$245 ÷ 3 months = \$81.67 average \$81.67 x 12 months = **\$980 annually**

Learning Point: Child Support/Alimony; Irregular Payments 1

What is the amount of child support to be included in the calculation of eligibility for this family certifying on June 21st; verification is dated June 1st?



From Saturday, June 21, 2025
Subtracted 120 days

Result: Friday, February 21, 2025

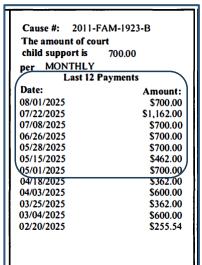
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Learning Point: Child Support/Alimony; Irregular Payments 2

What is the amount of child support to be included in the calculation of eligibility for this family certifying on August 25th; verification is dated August



From Monday, August 25, 2025
Subtracted 120 days
Result: Sunday, April 27, 2025

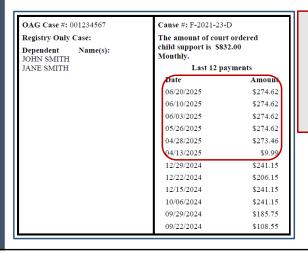
4 days in April
31 days in May
30 days in June
31 days in July
8 days in August = 104 total days covered

\$700 + \$1,162 + \$700 + \$700 + \$700 + \$462 + \$700 = \$5,124 total \$5,124 ÷ 104 days = \$49.27 average \$49.27 x 365 days = \$17,983.27 annually



Learning Point: Child Support/Alimony; Irregular Payments 3

The household is certifying on July 1st and the verification below was obtained on June 23rd. What is the amount of child support to be included in the certification?



\$274.62 + \$274.62 + \$274.62 + \$274.62 + \$273.46 + \$9.99 = \$1,381.93 April 30 days + May 31 days + June 23 days = 84 total days

\$1,381.93 total ÷ 84 days = \$16.45 daily average

\$16.45 daily average x 365 days in a year = \$6,004.81 annually

Compared to the "old" way: \$832 court order x 12 months = \$9,984 annually

This could impact eligibility and cause an otherwise eligible household to be denied.

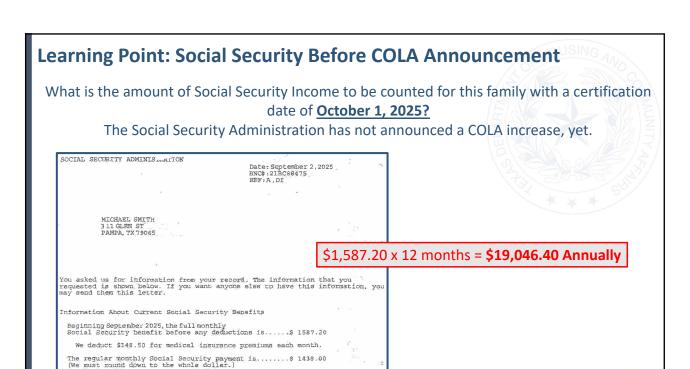


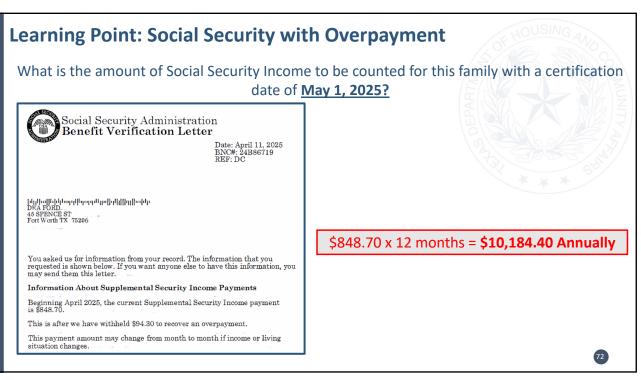
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Income: Social Security

- Count gross amount; prior to any deductions
 - If the deduction is a result of an overpayment, it can be removed from the calculation of income
 - If the deduction is for any other reason; insurance, Medicare, etc., it cannot be removed from the calculation of income
- Include payments received by:
 - Adults
 - · Adults on behalf of any family members in the household
 - Family Members under the age of 18
- Exclude payments received by:
 - Live-in Aides
 - · Foster Adults and Foster Children
 - Adults on behalf of Foster Persons









What is the amount of Social Security Income to be counted for this household with a move-in date of **November 1, 2024**?

The Social Security Administration announced a COLA increase of 2.5% on October 10, 2024.



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Inflationary Adjustments for 2025

Items Adjusted for Inflation Annually by HUD											
		2023		2024		2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
Student Income Allowance	\$	480.00	\$	480.00	\$	480.00					
Dependent Deduction	\$	480.00	\$	480.00	\$	480.00					
Adoption Assistance Allowance	\$	480.00	\$	480.00	\$	480.00					
Elderly Deduction	\$	400.00	\$	525.00	\$	525.00					
Asset Limitation Threshold	\$	5,000.00	\$	50,000.00	\$	51,600.00					
Threshold for Medical Deduction*		3%		10%		10%					
Cost of Living Allowance (COLA)		8.70%		3.20%		2.50%	\geq				
Passbook Savings Rate		0.06%		0.40%		0.45%					
* Does not include the hardship allowance applicable to some households											

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Learning Point: Social Security for a Minor Family Member

Charles is applying with his 10-year-old niece, Daisy. Daisy receives Social Security benefits due to the death of a parent. She receives \$744 per month.

How much income should be included in the calculation of eligibility for this family?

\$744 x 12 months = \$8,928 Annually

Family Members	Earned Income	Other Income (including income from assets)			
Dependents (Child Under 18)	No	Yes			



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Income: Monetary (Family Support) Contributions & Gifts

Any amount received from persons outside the family must be included in income for purposes of eligibility.

- Examples include:
 - Rent or utilities paid on behalf of the applicant or family
 - Cash contributions received on a regular basis
 - · Financial assistance provided for the support of a child in the family
 - · Financial assistance provided to assist a student family member
- Exceptions include:
 - Groceries brought to the family
 - Contributions paid directly to a childcare provider by persons not in the household
 - · Gifts for birthdays, weddings or other major life events of family members
 - Federal/State tenant-based rental or utility assistance



Learning Point: Monetary (Family Support) Contributions

What is the calculation of income for eligibility based on the monetary contribution letter below?

August 10, 2025

To whom it may concern,

I, Michelle Rogers, provide my friend, April Johnson, a monthly gift of \$400. This gift has no end date and is paid every month. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Thank you,

Michelle Rogers

\$400 x 12 months = \$4,800 Annually



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Income: Periodic Payments

Typically, these benefits are funds in which the applicant paid into over time

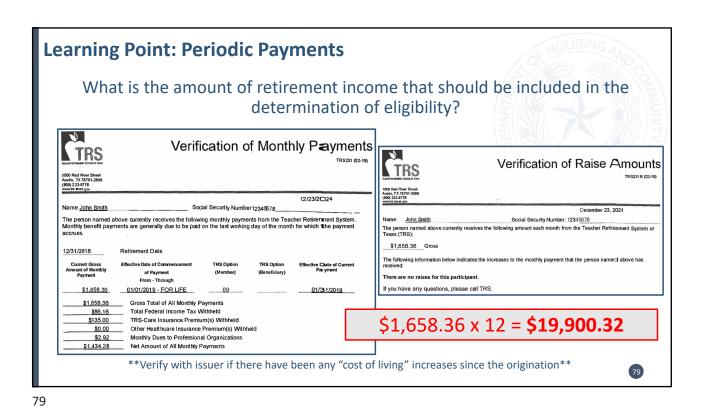
• Once matured, monthly benefits are paid out.

Include verifiable anticipated increases, usually referred to as Cost of Living (COLA) increases

Can be received from:

- Annuities
- Insurance Policies (i.e. Long-term Care Insurance, etc.)
- Pension or Retirement Funds
- Disability or Death Benefits





Income: Retirement Accounts

Betty is 75 years old and has retired this year. She is contributing to her IRA and, because she is over the age of 72, is receiving \$6,450.00 per quarter in required disbursements (RMD).

While the retirement account, as of January 1, 2024, is no longer considered an asset for Betty's family, the income must be included as regular income for the family.

Andrea is 40 years old and has not retired. She is contributing to her 401k through her job but has had to take money out of her 401k to help her pay expenses incurred. She is taking these out as withdrawals and not loans on her 401k.

The retirement account, as of January 1, 2024, is no longer considered an asset for Andrea's family and the withdrawals are excluded as income for the family because they are not required disbursements.

Income: Pension Funds – Special Rule

Any portion of a fund paid directly to an applicant's *former spouse* pursuant to the terms of a <u>divorce decree</u>, <u>annulment</u> or <u>legal</u> <u>separation</u> are <u>excluded</u> from their income

- Applies to annuities, Social Security, state, local or private pensions authorized by the Office of Personnel Management (OPM)
- If the former spouse is applying, the court ordered amount would be included in their income

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Income: Zero Income Certification

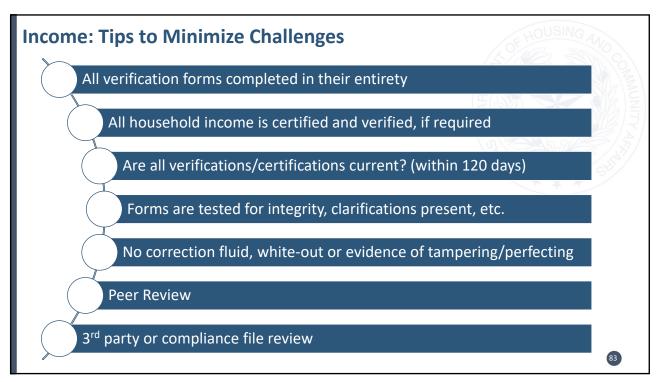


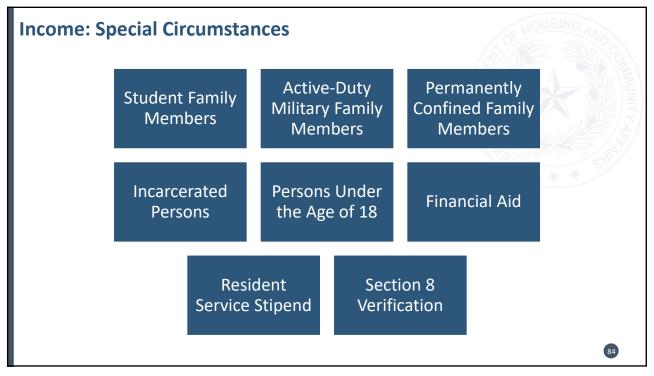
The Certification of Zero Income is not a required form; however, it is helpful as a due diligence item to ensure that all income sources have been properly screened for, and a person truly has zero income.

The Department does not have a form for a household to certify that they are not employed; however, owners are encouraged to use whatever means necessary to determine household eligibility and this is a helpful form in that regard.

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Income: Full-Time Student Family Members; Earned Income

- If 18 years of age or older; count only a small amount of the student's earned income – a maximum of \$480 per year (to be adjusted annually by HUD) if:
 - The student is not the Head of Household, Spouse or Co-Head
 - The student is a Dependent of the family
- Student Status must be verified with the institution of education
 - Verified by the Registrar's Office
 - If the Registrar's Office will not verify you will use the Student Clearinghouse to verify
 - Full-time student status is determined by the educational institution or technical school
- All income verifications (paystubs, reports, etc.) must be gathered



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Learning Point: Full-Time Student Family Members; Earned Income

Andrea applies with her 19-year-old daughter, Kelsey. Kelsey works parttime at a local sushi restaurant making \$6,230 a year.

True or false; only \$480 of Kelsey's income should be included in the calculation of income for eligibility?

False

Kelsey is not a full-time student



Learning Point: Full-Time Student Family Members; Unearned Income

Peter applies with his parents; he is a full-time student at the local college. Peter receives Social Security in the amount of \$804 per month.

True or false; only \$480 of Peter's income should be included in the calculation of income for eligibility?

False

The income received is unearned, all unearned income counts towards eligibility for full-time student family members.

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Learning Point: Full-Time Student Family Members; Earned Income-Minor

Samantha applies with their 16-year-old child, Tayler, who is a full-time student. Tayler works part-time at a local electronics retailer making \$4,530 a year.

True or false; only \$480 of Tayler's income should be included in the calculation of income for eligibility?

False

Tayler is under the age of 18. Earned income does not count for family members under the age of 18.



Learning Point: Full-Time Student Family Members; Spouse

Trishia applies with her spouse. Trishia is a full-time student at the local university. Trishia receives earned income in the amount of \$36,000 annually.

True or false; only \$480 of Trishia's income should be included in the calculation of income for eligibility?

False

Trishia is the spouse in the family composition; the rule of \$480 only applies to family dependents.

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Income: Family Members; Active-Duty Military

Include Family Members on Active Military Duty in the Household Composition

- Income must be counted if the Military Family Member is the Head, Spouse, or Co-Head
- If the spouse or a dependent of the person on active military duty is a family member of the household the Military Person's income is counted

- Include
 - Regular & Special Pay
 - All Allowances
- Exclude:
 - Hostile Fire Pay
- Only acceptable form of verification is the Leave and Earnings Statement (LES)

Learning Point: Active-Duty Family Member is Head, Spouse or Co-Head

Nancy applies with her son Kendall. Nancy's application indicates that there are 3 household members and her spouse, Jerry, is away on activeduty in the military.

Jerry's income and assets must be considered when determining income eligibility.



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Learning Point: Active-Duty Military Person's Dependent

Sylvia applies with her husband Sam and niece Claire. Sylvia indicates that she is caring for Claire while her sister, Margie, is away on active-duty.

Margie is single and no other permanent housing is identified other than military housing. The income and assets of Margie should be included when determining eligibility.



Learning Point: Leave and Earnings Statement (LES) What is the calculation of eligibility based on the LES shown below? DEFENSE FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING SERVICE MILITARY LEAVE AND EARNINGS STATEMENT BRANCH | ADSN/DSSN | PERIOD COVERED SOC. SEC. NO. GRADE PAY DATE YRS SVC ETS 240334 NAME (Last, First,MI) E03 12202024 ENTITLEMENTS DEDUCTIONS ALLOTMENTS SUMMARY Amount Type Amount Type +Amt Fwd BASIC PAY SUBSISTENCE ALWS BAH TYPE II MILEAGE PAYMENT 1340.10 FICA TAX 230.12 SGLI 387.15 DEBT PAYMENT .67 TSP CONTRIBUTION +TOT ENT 1958.04 208.53 -TOT DED -TOT ALMT NET AMT -CR FWR EOM PAY TOTAL Mult Jobs FED TAXES Dep 17 Unde Other Dep 1340.10 8662.94 00 .00 01 Soc Wage YTD | Soc Tax YTD | Med Wage YTD | Med Tax YTD | STATE | St FICA Wage Period Wage Period Wage YTD M/S TAXES 8662.94 3662.94 53.11 TAXES TX S 00 1340.10 3662.94 227.10 1340.10 2D JFTR | BAS Type | Charity YTD | TPC PAY DATA BAQ Type BAQ Depn VHA Zip \$1,958.04 x 12 = **\$23,496.48**

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Income: Permanently Confined Family Member

Individuals permanently confined to a nursing home or hospital

- May not be the Head, Spouse, or Co-Head
- May continue as a family member at the applicant's discretion

How to handle income depends on the Applicant, if they...

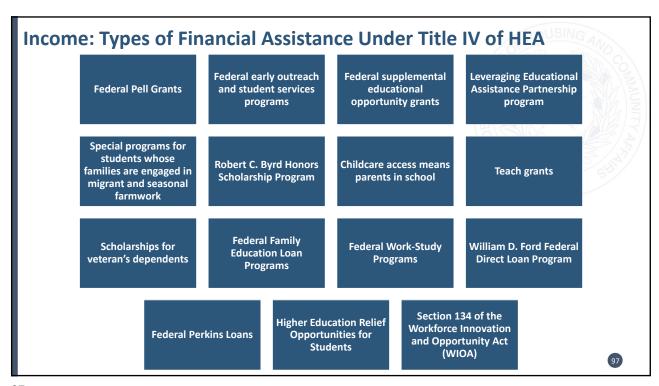
- Include as a family member: Count all income
- Exclude the family member: Income is not counted

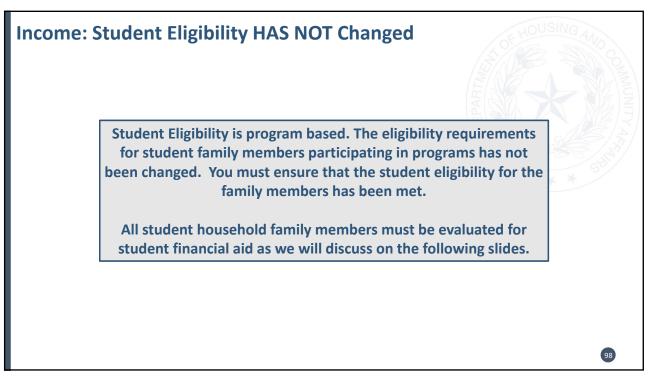
Income: Incarcerated Persons

If individual is incarcerated – do not count as a household member but count any income the family receives from the individual.

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Income: Persons under the age of 18 Include income if: Under the age of 18, who under law, are treated as adults Identified as Head, Spouse, or Co-Head Follow same rules as Dependents Adopted Children Follow same rules as Dependents Adoption assistance payments in excess of \$480, annually, are not counted Amount will be adjusted annually by HUD





Income: Financial Aid, Included or Excluded • Only count amount received in excess of tuition, books, fees and room & board charges • Obtain documentation to support the amount in excess of Included tuition, books & Actual covered costs include: tuition, books, supplies (including supplies and equipment to support students with learning disabilities or other disabilities), room and board, and fees required and charged to a student by an institution of higher education (as defined under section 102 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1087uu)). For a student who is not the head of household, cohead, or spouse, actual covered costs also include the reasonable and actual costs of housing while attending the institution of higher education and not residing in Applies to **all** student mancial assistance received under Title IV of the Higher Education Act (HEA) that is "left over" after applying the assistance to educational expenses Excluded

Income: Financial Aid

If the family contains a student:

- All assistance provided through Title IV HEA must be excluded from income if there is a remaining balance after applying the assistance to the educational expenses
- All other assistance should be evaluated for inclusion in family income; any excess assistance must be included in the income after applying the assistance to any remaining educational expenses

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Learning Point: Student Financial Assistance Example 1

Calculation of Income from Student Financial Assistance

Qualified Education Expenses: \$12,850
Title IV HEA Assistance: \$14,590
Other Financial Assistance: \$5,000
Total of Financial Assistance: \$19,590

How much total financial assistance would be used to reduce expenses?

\$14,590, any amount leftover is excluded by statute

How much should count as regular income?

\$5,000

All assistance provided through Title IV HEA must be excluded from income. This exclusion must be taken into account first. Anything remaining after deducting the qualified expenses is not considered income. Had a balance been left, the other financial assistance would have been applied and anything leftover would be counted as income.



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Learning Point: Student Financial Assistance Example 2

Calculation of Income from Student Financial Assistance

Qualified Education Expenses: \$18,000

Title IV HEA Assistance: \$14,590

Other Financial Assistance: \$5,000

Total of Financial Assistance: \$19,590

How much total financial assistance would be used to reduce expenses?

\$18,000 (\$14,590 plus \$3,410 of the \$5,000)

How much should count as regular income?

\$1,590 (\$5,000 minus remaining \$3,410)

All assistance provided through Title IV HEA must be excluded from income. This exclusion must be taken into account first. Anything remaining after deducting the qualified expenses is not considered income. Since a balance was left, the other financial assistance has been applied and anything leftover will be counted as income.



Learning Point: Student Financial Assistance Example 3

Calculation of Income from Student Financial Assistance

Qualified Education Expenses: \$18,000 Scholarship from a local entity: \$8,000 Persons outside the household: \$25,000

Total of Financial Assistance: \$33,000 \$8,000

How much total financial assistance would be used to reduce expenses?

Other student financial assistance does not include:

How much sho

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All assistance provided through 1

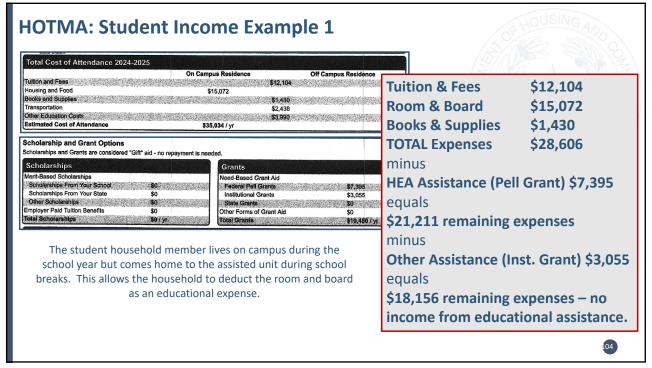
 Financial support provided to the student in the form of a fee for services performed (e.g., a work study or teaching fellowship that is not excluded under section 479B of the Higher Education Act HEA); or

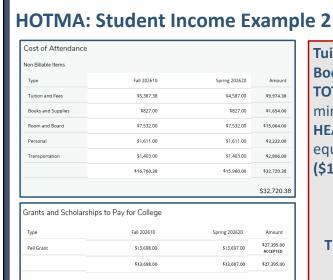
· Gifts, including gifts from family or friends.

Note: Other student financial assistance may be paid directly to the student or to the educational institution on the student's behalf. The PHA/MFH Owner must verify that the other student financial assistance is for the student's actual covered costs.

exclusion must be taken into account in a superior and anything additional will be counted as income. Since a balance (the gift) was left, the financial assistance has been applied and anything additional will be counted as income.







Tuition & Fees \$9,974.38
Books & Supplies \$1,654.00
TOTAL Expenses \$11,628.38
minus

HEA Assistance (Pell Grant) \$27,395 equals

(\$15,766.62) leftover assistance

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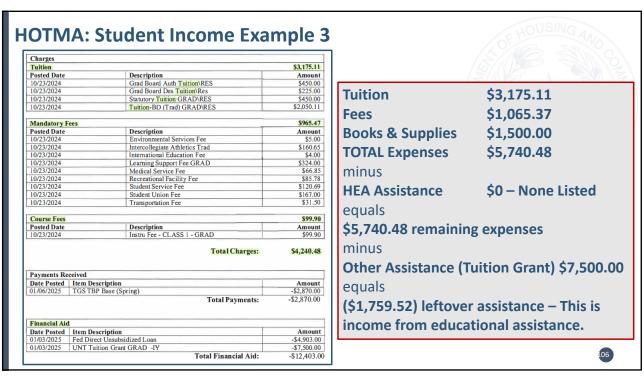
The Pell Grant is Higher Education
Assistance and is excluded by
statute.

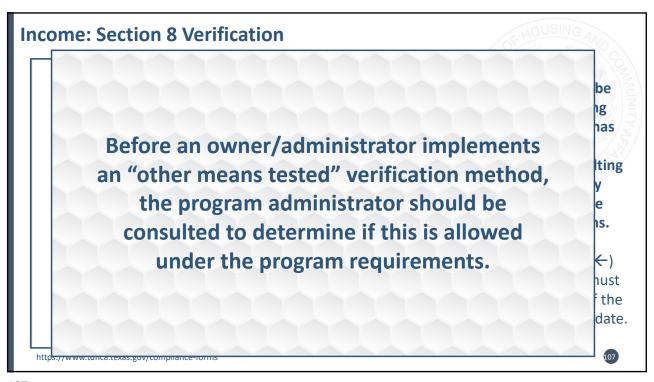
The student household member lives in the assisted unit. This disallows the household from including the room and board as an educational expense.

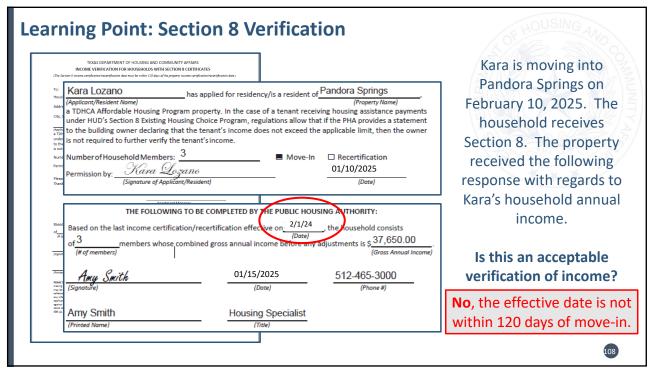
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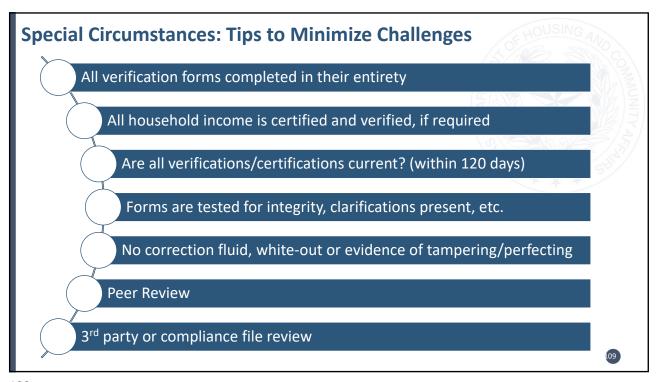


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Assets: Whose Assets Count?

Family Members	Earned Income	Other Income (including income from assets)
Head	Yes	Yes
Spouse	Yes	Yes
Co-Head	Yes	Yes
Other Adult	Yes	Yes
Dependents (under 18)	No	Yes
Full-time Student - 18 or older	Yes**	Yes
Household Members	Earned Income	Other Income (including income from assets)
Live-in Aide	No	No
Foster Adult	No	No
Foster Children (under 18)	No	No

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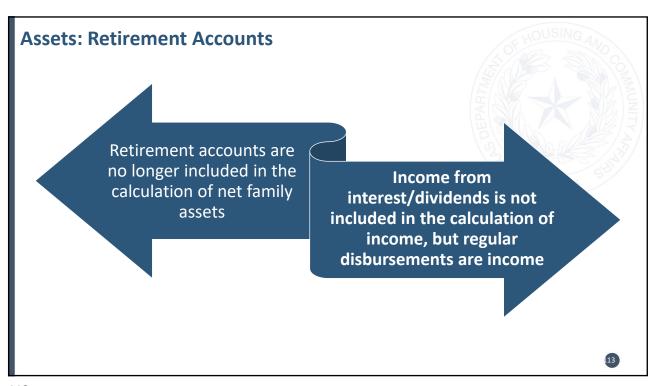
Assets: Excluded Assets

The Rodriguez family received a \$4,500 federal tax refund on 3/1/2024 and deposited the refund into their checking account. At their next annual reexamination with an effective date of 8/1/2024, the PHA/MFH Owner asks the family about any assets they own, the anticipated income from the assets, and if they received a federal tax refund or refundable tax credits in the past 12 months and where they deposited the refund/refundable tax credits or if they purchased savings bonds with the refund.

The Rodriguez family explain that they received a \$4,500 refund and that they deposited the refund into their checking account, which has a balance of \$10,000. The Rodriguez family reports that they have actual income of \$100 from the checking account this year. The family owns no other assets. Therefore, the family's total calculation of net family assets is \$10,000. In determining the total value of net family assets, the PHA/MFH Owner subtracts \$4,500 from the total of \$10,000 of net family assets, for a total countable asset of \$5,500. The full value of actual income is included as income, because actual income is always included even on excluded assets.

Notice H 2023–10 & Notice PIH 2023–27 Example F2: Federal Tax Refund Excluded from Net Family Assets





Assets

Assets are items of value that may be turned into cash

Not all items of value are considered an asset

are more than \$51,600

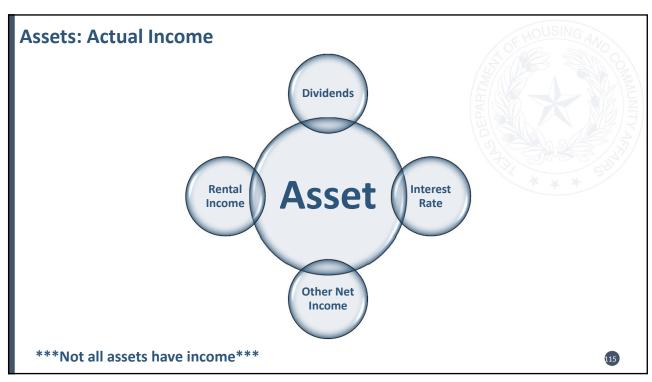
• Items are not required to be "cashed out" at time of application

<u>STEP 1</u>: "ACTUAL INCOME" - The amount of income those assets are earning or could earn

<u>STEP 2</u>: "CASH VALUE" - The total cash value of the family's assets <u>STEP 3</u>; if required: "IMPUTED INCOME" - The amount of income for assets that do not have a determinable rate of return when the net family assets

For any assets whose actual income cannot be determined, calculate imputed income when the household's net family assets are over \$51,600.

Do NOT calculate imputed income for assets whose income is determinable. Do NOT calculate the imputed income based on the total cash value of the assets.



Assets: Verification Requirements

- HOTMA requires that all households have assets fully verified once during each 3 years of tenancy, households may then self-certify assets when the total is equal to or less than \$51,600. There are some exceptions to this rule:
 - HTC, Exchange, TCAP, and THTF may self-certify assets when the amount is \$51,600 or less
 - BOND must fully verify assets at initial certification and during each 3rd year of tenancy when an income certification is completed
 - MFDL Programs: at Initial Certification the assets must be fully verified by third party or first-hand documentation; also, during the 6th year of the affordability period certifications the assets must be verified
- For 811 Program units, the assets must be fully verified by third party or first-hand documentation at Move-In and Initial Certifications and during each 3rd year certification for the household
 - All 811 households must have their assets fully verified during the first HOTMA recertification
- All assets can be verified using one (1) statement from the financial institution
 - When verification of assets is required, Owners are required to obtain a minimum of one statement that reflects the current balance of banking/financial accounts



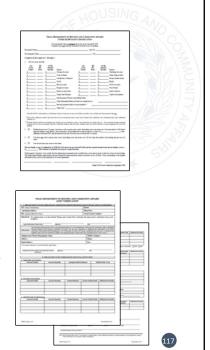
Assets: Self-Certification or Verification

Asset Certification

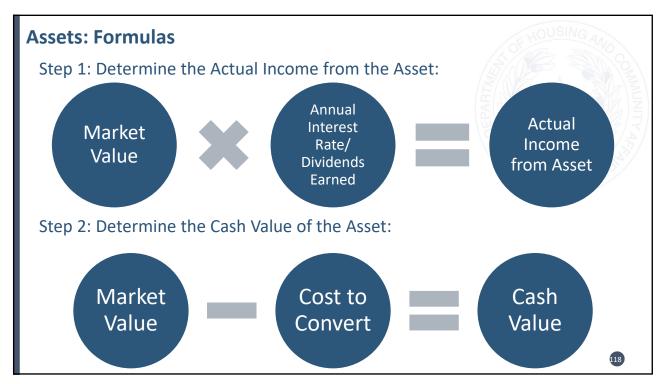
- The use of this form is not allowed if program or certification year requires full verification of assets
- Must be used in addition to the application screening tool to certify disposed of assets as well as assets held currently by the household
- Required, if assets are under or equal to required threshold during years when asset verifications are not required

Asset Verification

- Required if a household's total assets cash value is greater than the HUD threshold, currently \$51,600, and if program or certification year requires full verification (discussed on previous slide)
- Must be sent directly to the financial institution which holds the asset and returned directly to the development



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Assets: Determining Actual Income

Step 1: Determine the Actual Income from the Asset

If the combined cash value of the net family assets is under the HUD Asset Verification Threshold for the family, ONLY the actual income from assets is included.

\$51,600 > Total Assets

Only Actual Income from Assets is included

If the combined cash value of the net family assets is greater than the threshold, the annual income includes the actual income from assets with a determinable rate of return and the imputed income calculated on assets without a determinable rate of return using the current passbook savings rate (.45%) as established by HUD.

\$51,600 < Total Assets

For assets where the actual income is known use the actual income; for the assets without actual income use the imputed income



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Assets: Determining Cash Value

Step 2: Determine the Cash Value of an Asset

The "cash value" of an asset is the market value less reasonable expenses that would be incurred in selling or converting the asset to cash.

The cash value is the amount the family could receive in cash if the family converted an asset to cash.

The family is not required to convert an asset to cash.



Assets: Determining Imputed Income

Step 3: Determine the Imputed Income from the Asset, if required

If the combined cash value of the net family assets is OVER the HUD Asset Verification Threshold for the family, the actual income from

What to consider with regards to Imputed Income:

- Do non-necessary personal property total more than the threshold?
 - · If yes, they are included in net family assets along with all

assets is included determinable, and t passbook savings rathose that do not i return.

If net family assets are over the threshold, then any asset without a determinable rate of return must have imputed income calculated using the current passbook savings rate.

e a determinable rate of must be calculated and

e excluded from net family (if any) is included in

\$51,600 < Total Net Family Assets

Actual & Imputed Income from Assets is included • Does the family have real property (real estate/land)?

- · If yes, it is included in net family assets regardless of value.
- If the value of real property and non-necessary personal property puts the net family assets over the threshold, imputed income must be calculated unless the asset is receiving income, like a rental property.

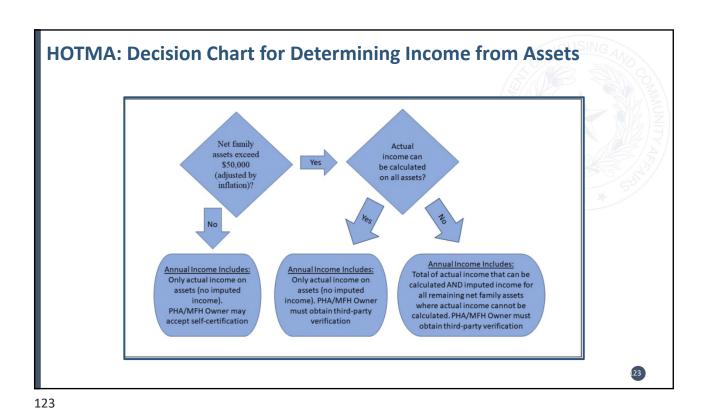


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Assets: Actual and Imputed Income

- Actual Income from assets is always included in a family's annual income, regardless of the total value of net family assets or whether the asset itself is included or excluded from net family assets, unless that income is specifically excluded by 24 CFR 5.609(b).
- Imputed Income must be calculated for specific assets when three conditions are met:
 - The value of net family assets exceeds \$51,600;
 - · The specific asset is included in net family assets; and
 - Actual asset income cannot be calculated for the specific asset.
- All assets are categorized as either real property (e.g., land, a home) or personal property. Personal property includes tangible items, like boats, as well as intangible items, like bank accounts.
 - Necessary personal property is excluded from net family assets.
 - Non-necessary personal property with a combined value greater than \$51,600, as adjusted for inflation, is considered part of net family assets; if the combined value is \$51,600 or less then all of the non-necessary personal property is excluded from net family assets.
 - For example, a family could have non-necessary personal property with a combined value that does not exceed \$51,600 but also own real property such as a parcel of land. Even though the non-necessary personal property would be excluded from net family assets, the real property would be included in net family assets regardless of its value.





Assets: Necessary versus Non-Necessary Table F1: Examples of Necessary and Non-Necessary Personal Property **Necessary Personal Property** Non-Necessary Personal Property Car(s)/vehicle(s) that a family relies on for transportation for personal or business use (e.g., bike, motorcycle, skateboard, scooter) Recreational car/vehicle not needed for day-to-day transportation (campers, motorhomes, travel trailers, all-terrain vehicles (ATVs)) Furniture, carpets, linens, kitchenware Examples of Necessary and Non-· Bank accounts or other financial investments Common appliances (e.g., checking account, savings account, stocks/bonds) **Necessary Personal Property from** Common electronics (e.g., radio, television, DVD player, gaming system) · Recreational boat/watercraft Notice H 2023-10 Clothing Expensive jewelry without religious or cultural value, or which does not hold family significance Personal effects that are not luxury items Notice PIH 2023-27 (e.g., toys, books) Collectibles (e.g., coins/stamps) Wedding and engagement rings Jewelry used in religious/cultural celebrations and ceremonies Equipment/machinery that is not used to generate income for a business Items such as gems/precious metals, antique cars, artwork, etc. Religious and cultural items Medical equipment and supplies Health care-related supplies Musical instruments used by the family Personal computers, phones, tablets, and related equipment Professional tools of trade of the family, for example professional books Educational materials and equipment used by the family, including equipment to accommodate persons with disabilities Equipment used for exercising (e.g., treadmill, stationary bike, kayak, paddleboard, ski equipment)

Assets: Always vs. Never

Assets to consider and assets always excluded from February 2024 update to **Notice H 2023–10 & Notice PIH 2023–27**

Assets to consider

Assets always excluded

- · Checking and savings accounts
- Stocks, bonds, mutual funds
- Luxury items or items that are not necessary, e.g., recreational boat, vehicles not used for regular transportation
- Assets disposed of for less than fair market value; for example, if you gave away a house to someone out outside of the assisted family within the past two years, the value of the house would be considered an asset (except as determined by certain divorce or separation settlements)
- Retirement accounts (e.g., IRAs, 401k,
- Educational savings accounts (Section 529, Section 530, Coverdell ESA, etc.)
- ABLE accounts
- Non-revocable trusts
- Necessary items of personal property (items essential for the maintenance, use, and occupancy of a home or necessary for employment, education, cultural expression, or health and wellness)
- Federal tax refunds (must be subtracted from total net family assets)



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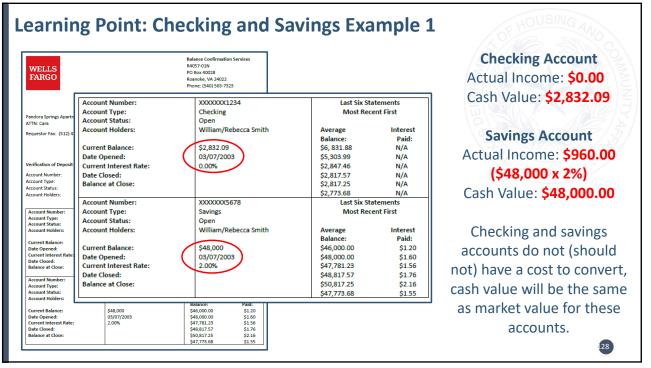
Learning Point: Are Retirement Accounts Included?

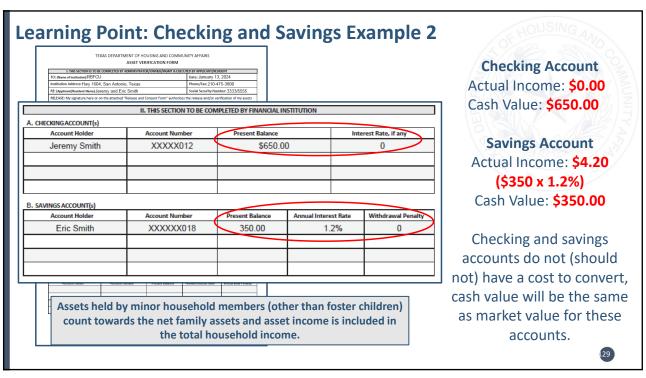
If the household indicated on their application that they have a retirement account, should it be included in the net family assets?

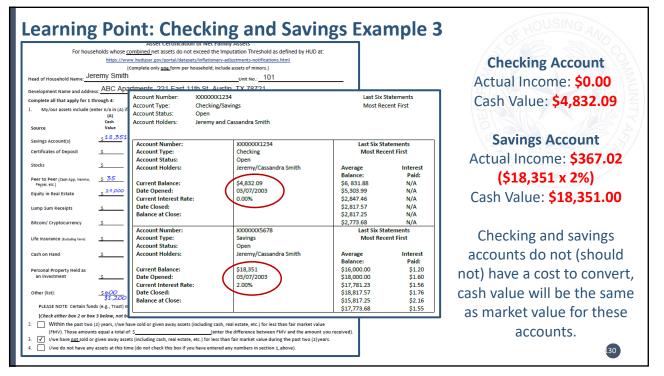
- a) Yes
- b) Yes, but only if they are retirement age
- c) No, HOTMA removed this requirement
 - d) Yes, but only if there is \$100,000 in the account





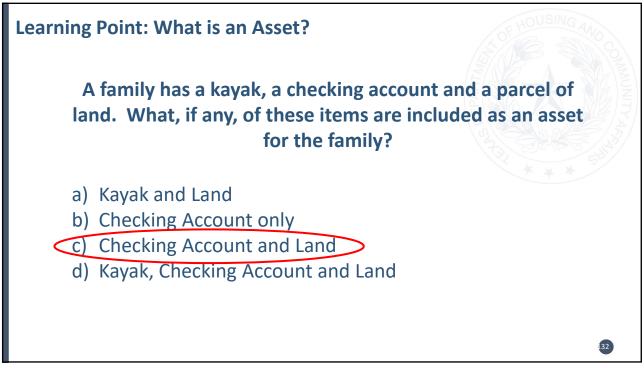






Assets: Cash App and Direct Express Card Example Cash App 1955 Broadway, Suite 600 Oakland, CA 94612 S 0.54 \$0.00 **\$**35**.00 \$**35**.00** Transaction History Walmart \$7.65 Card Purchase Feb 11 **KMART** (\$12.95) Card Purchase Walgreens Card Purchase \$35.65 KMART (\$325.00) \$ (120) 31

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Learning Point: Common Assets; Checking & Savings Accounts

How many bank statements or account statements are needed to verify any assets using first-hand documentation?

- a) Six, always six
- (b) The most current
 - c) Depends on the asset
 - d) Twelve

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Learning Point: Common Assets; Cash on Hand

If a family member discloses cash on their application, do we count it? If so, how do we verify the amount of cash on hand?

- a) Cash on hand does not count, no need to verify
- b) It counts, they have to bring it in and count it for us to verify amount
- c) It counts, we take their word on the value
 - d) Depends on how much cash they disclose



Learning Point: Common Assets; Minors

When a minor in the family has an asset, does it count towards the net family assets?

- a) No, they are a minor, nothing counts
- b) Yes, the asset and the income from the asset are included
- c) Only when the asset is a checking account
- d) Only when the minor is 13 years old or older

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Learning Point: Common Assets; Foster Persons

When a foster person in the household has an asset, does it count towards the net family assets?

- a) No, income and assets from foster persons are excluded
- b) Yes, the asset and the income from the asset are included
- c) Only when the asset is a checking account
- d) Only when the foster person is 13 years old or younger



Assets: Peer-To-Peer Payment Applications



/enmo



Cash App



PayPal



Zelle

- If regular deposits are seen on these assets, the account holder should be asked to provide an explanation.
 - There are cases where these apps are used to sell homemade items and services. If the account is being used this way, the income must be included as self-employed income for the household.
- These sources of assets should be investigated. If there is a balance held in the account, it should be included in net family assets.
- The list above is not exhaustive, these are some of the commonly seen sources.



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Learning Point: Peer-To-Peer Payment Applications

Dawn babysits; she gets paid through Venmo

- The income she receives must be included
- If her Venmo account holds a balance it is an asset
- If the account does not have a balance, it is not included as an asset

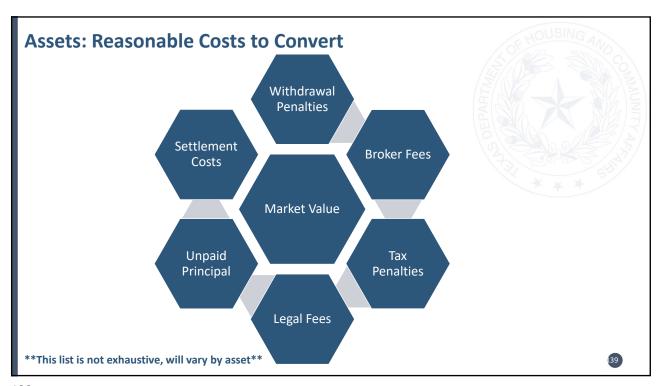
Domanik makes and sells glitter tumblers, she is paid through PayPal

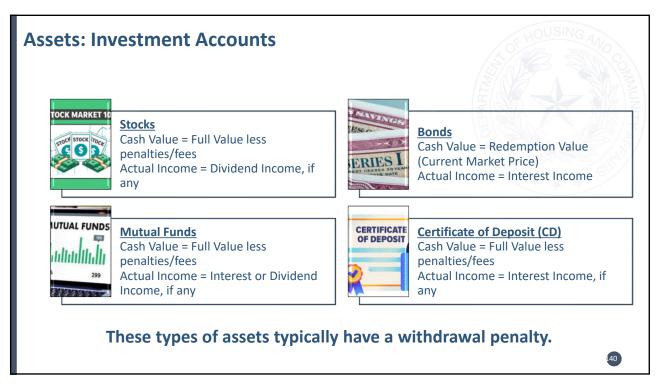
- The income from the sales is income for the household
- If the PayPal account holds a balance of money, then it must be included as an
- If the account does not have a balance, it is not included as an asset

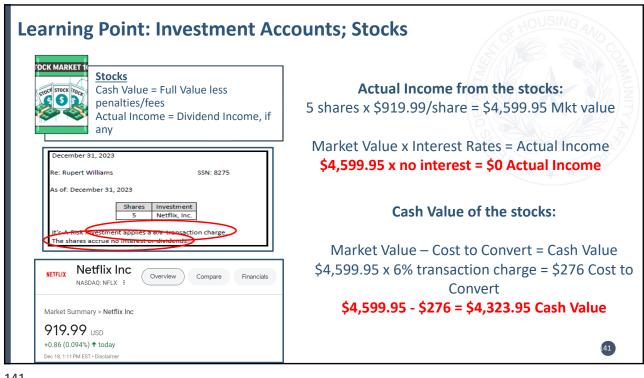
Amy's roommates pay her back for the home expenses incurred through Zelle

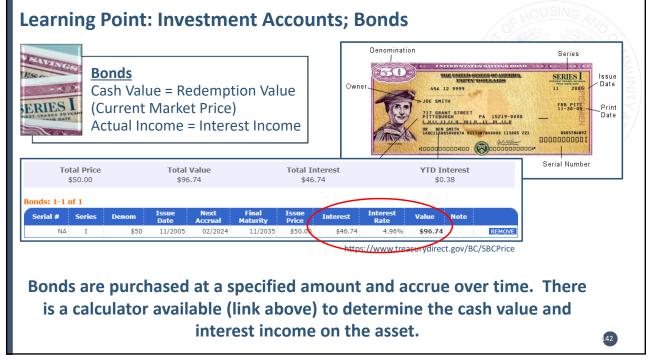
- Zelle is a pass-thru account only, it cannot hold money, so this is not an asset
- This is not income, it is a reimbursement
- If Amy was receiving money for something like dog-sitting for her roommate, that would be income to include in the calculation of eligibility











Learning Point: Investment Accounts; Certificates of Deposit (CD)



Certificate of Deposit (CD)

Cash Value = Full Value less penalties/fees Actual Income = Interest Income, if any

Joe just invested \$5,000 in a CD at a fixed interest rate of 5% with 5 years maturity. Upon maturity, Joe's initial investment of \$5,000 will reach \$6,382. The return on the CD for the period of 5 years is \$1,382. If Joe removes the CD before maturity a penalty of 3.5% will be assessed.

Actual Income from the CD: \$5,000.00 Mkt value

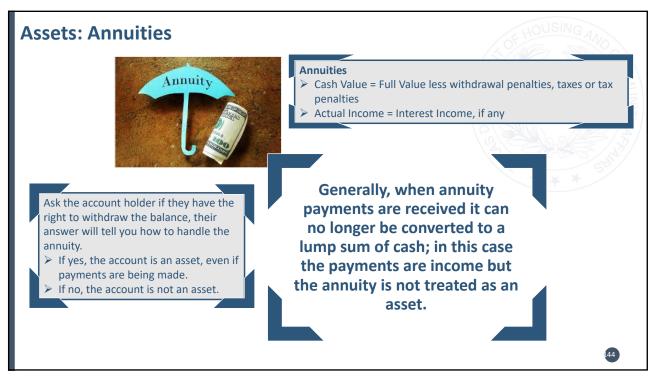
Market Value x Interest Rates = Actual Income \$5,000 x 5% interest = \$250 Actual Income

Cash Value of the CD:

Market Value – Cost to Convert = Cash Value \$5,000 x 3.5% penalty = \$175.00 Cost to Convert \$5,000 - \$175 = \$4,825 Cash Value



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Learning Point: Annuities; Actual Income

Earnest purchased a \$100,000 annuity at age 65 with immediate payments of \$614 monthly, but he is deferring these. The annuity has a 5% interest rate over 10 years. At age 70, the annuity will pay \$613 monthly for life. Earnest can withdraw the remainder with a penalty of 3%.

What is the actual income for the asset?



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Learning Point: Annuities; Cash Value

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Assets: Trusts



Trusts

- Cash Value = Withdrawn Amount
- Actual Income = Interest Income, if any

The property held in a trust can be cash, real property (land), personal property (jewelry) or any other liquid assets.

There are two types of trusts

- 1. Revocable The creator of the trust may amend or revoke the trust, they have retained access
- 2. Irrevocable The creator has no access to the funds, they did not retain access
- If anyone in the family has access to the trust it must be considered in the calculation of assets.



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Learning Point: Trusts

Julie has setup a trust for her grandson to receive when he reaches the age of 25. The trust is intended to help him purchase his first home. Julie has placed \$25,000 in the trust. The trust earns about \$1,000 per year, but the income is reinvested into the trust. Julie has set the trust up as irrevocable; she no longer has access to the trust and her grandson is not yet the age required to access the trust account.

Julie is applying, how should the trust be handled for her application and certification of assets?

- a) The trust's current value and \$1,000 annual income must be included
- b) The trust's current value is included but the income is not included since it is reinvested.
- c) None of the trust, income or current balance, is included since it is irrevocable
 - d) We should ask Julie how much she wants to include and only count that amount



Assets: Cryptocurrency



Cash Value = Current market value less penalties/fees

Actual Income = Any income earned by the asset

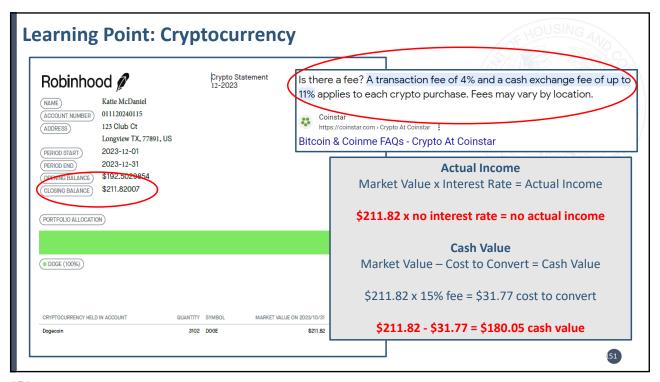
Cryptocurrency is held online, typically in interest-yielding accounts called Decentralized Finance platforms (DeFis). Treat cryptocurrency like a foreign currency.

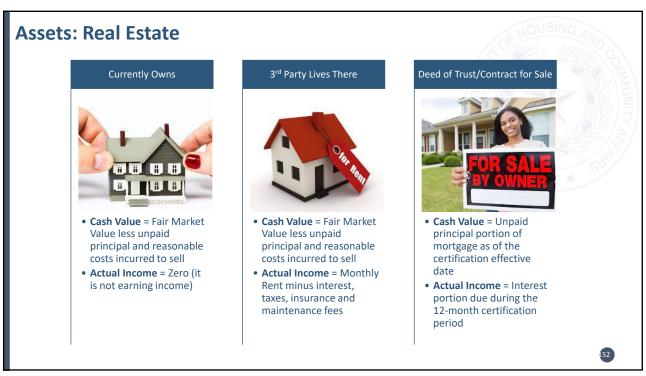
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Assets: Cryptocurrencies continued

- First, obtain a statement, or some kind of other digital evidence such as a screenshot, from the account in which the cryptocurrency is held. Take that market value and determine the current exchange rate with US dollars.
 - The exchange rate can change frequently, use what it is at the time you're making the determination. Try using a site like http://coindesk.com.
- Next, determine the broker fee associated with converting the cryptocurrency into
 US dollars. That information will come from either the account in which the crypto is
 held, or it could come from the applicant/resident.
 - For example, a resident may say that they're not sure how to convert the Bitcoin into US dollars, but they know that CoinStar machines will do it for a fee. That fee is the cost to convert the Bitcoin to cash. Once that is established, you'll arrive at the cash value.
- **Finally**, To determine the actual yearly income, look for interest information from the DeFi platform they use to hold the cryptocurrency.
 - If they're really savvy, they may be getting interest from yielding or staking... in that case, you may have to look deeper and ask more questions. Perhaps they have a record of the asset income they've earned within the DeFi itself, or they may have an IRS Form 1099-INT.







Assets: Exemption to Real Estate



HOME Homeowner Rehabilitation Assistance (HRA) program

Real Estate exception:

• Equity in the applicant's primary residence is not considered in the calculation of assets



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Assets: Real Estate Documents

Real Estate may require additional documentation:

- Mortgage Statement showing unpaid principal
- Tax Statement
- Documentation to evidence current broker fees and closing costs
- Amortization Schedule
- Deed of Sale



Assets: Real Estate – Determining Cash Value

- If a family owns real estate, it is necessary to consider the family's equity in the property as well as the expense to sell the property.
- To determine the family's equity, subtract amounts owed on the property from its market value:

Market value

Mortgage amount owed

Equity in the property

• Calculate the cash value by subtracting the expense of selling the property:

Equity

- Expense of selling

Cash Value



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Learning Point: Real Estate – Determining Cash Value

- Janet owns a home, the home is vacant at the time of her certification
- The Market value is \$150,000 and the unpaid principal is \$60,000

\$150,000

- \$60,000

\$90,000 Equity in the property

• The cost to dispose of the house would be \$8,000

\$90,000

- \$8,000

\$82,000 Cash Value



Learning Point: The Income Certification TOTALS \$48,550.56 Add totals from (A) through (D) above TOTAL INCOME (E): \$ 48,550.56 PART IV. INCOME FROM ASSETS Mbr# Type of Asset C/D N/R Cash Value of Asset Annual Income from Checking Account N \$500.00 \$0.00 Savings Account \$10,000.00 \$200.00 Real Estate \$82,000.00 \$369 00 Tax Return Deducted (\$2,400.00)\$ 10,500.00 \$ 200.00 (N) TOTAL NET FAMILY ASSETS: (O) Total Imputed \$ 79,600.00 \$ 369.00 (P) TOTAL INCOME FROM ASSETS [(M) + (O)]: \$ 569.00 (Q) Total Annual Household Income from all Sources [Add (E) + (P)] \$49,119.56

Assets: Real Estate for Rent

What to do when family owns a home (real estate) and is renting it out:

- Determine the cash value of the real estate, which was covered on the previous slides
- If rental income is received from real estate, it must be included as income from an asset
 - If the family indicates to you that someone else is living in the home and paying the mortgage for them, this is a rental property, and the rental amount is the mortgage payment
- You may need to gather the following documents:
 - Verification of rental income to be received in the next 12 months; i.e. a lease contract
 - If there are any expenses in renting the home, the following may be deducted from rental income if verification is obtained to support the deductions:
 - Taxes
 - Insurance
 - Maintenance
 - Utilities
 - Mortgage Interest
 - Management Fees

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Learning Point: Real Estate – Determining Rental Income

The Lee family owns a home, which they are renting out. We have already determined that the cash value of the home is \$190,000. They have indicated that they rent the home for \$1,700 per month. They still pay the taxes of \$9,250 and mortgage interest of \$5,884.97 on the home. What should the income from the asset be on the Income Certification?

Step 1: Determine the annual amount received from rental income

\$1,700 per month x 12 months = \$20,400 annual rental income

Step 2: Determine the expenses associated with renting the home:

\$9,250 taxes + \$5,884.97 mortgage interest = **\$15,134.97 total deductions**

Step 3: Subtract the deductions from the rental income to determine the asset income:

\$20,400 rental income - \$15,134.97 verified deductions =

\$5,265.03 Annual Income from Asset



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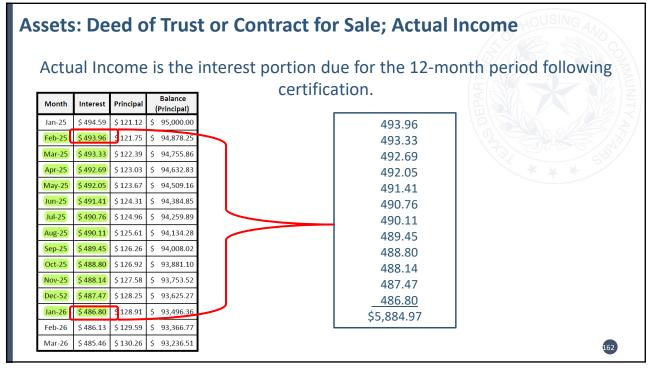
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Assets: Deed of Trust or Contract for Sale

Sydney signed her Certification in February 2025. She holds a Contract for Sale. Based on the relevant portions of the contract and amortization schedule (next slide) what is the actual income from the asset and what is the cash value of the asset?

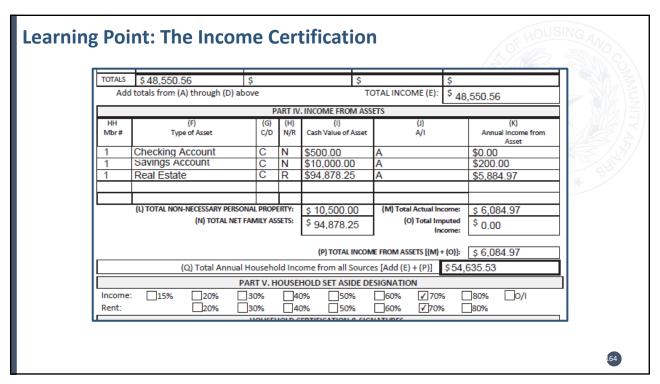


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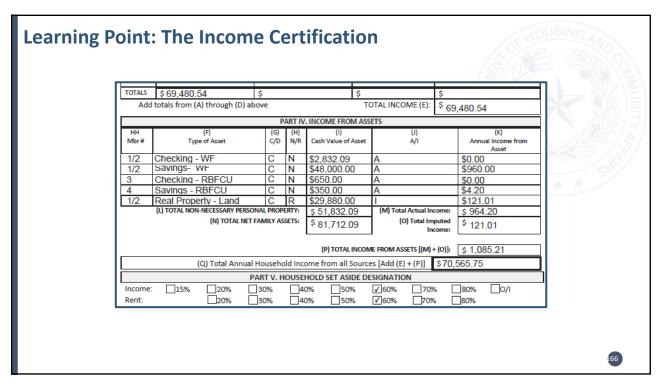


Assets: Deed of Trust or Contract for Sale; Cash Value Cash Value is the Principal Balance at the time of the certification. Interest Principal \$ 95,000.00 \$494.59 \$ 121.12 Jan-25 \$ 121.75 \$ 94,878.25 \$493.96 \$ 122.39 \$ 94,755.86 Mar-25 \$493.33 \$ 123.03 \$ 94,632.83 \$ 123.67 \$ 94,509.16 May-25 \$492.05 \$491.41 \$ 124.31 \$ 94,384.85 \$ 94,259.89 \$ 490.76 \$ 124.96 Jul-25 \$490.11 \$ 125.61 \$ 94,134.28 \$126.26 \$ 94,008.02 Sep-25 \$ 489.45 \$488.80 \$ 126.92 \$ 93,881.10 Nov-25 \$488.14 \$127.58 \$ 93,753.52 \$ 128.25 \$ 93,625.27 Dec-52 \$487.47 \$486.80 \$ 128.91 \$ 93,496.36 \$ 129,59 \$ 93,366.77 Feb-26 \$486.13 \$130.26 \$ 93,236.51 163

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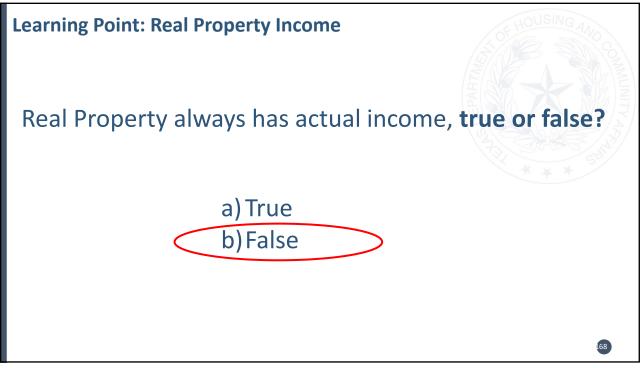






Real Property is always included in net family assets, true or false? a) True b) False Real property must always be 3rd party or 1st hand verified.

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Learning Point: Tax Returns

Tax Returns are added back into net family assets after verified, **true or false?**

a) True b) False



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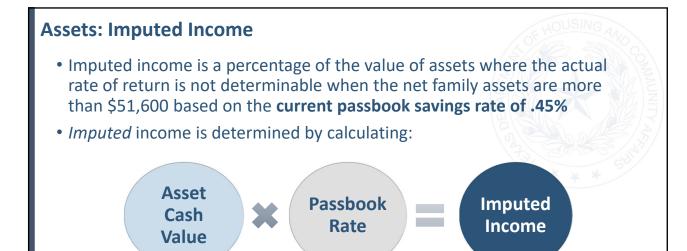
Assets: Disposed of for Less than Fair Market Value (FMV)



Assets disposed of for less than FMV

- Cash Value = Market Value less the disposed of amount and the cost to convert
- Actual Income = No actual income

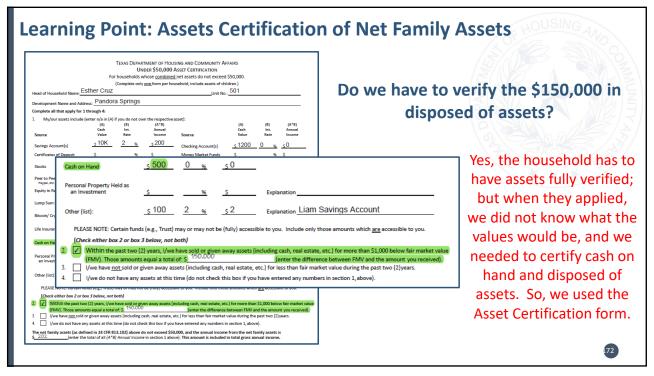
- Include <u>Cash Value</u> if:
 - Fair Market Value (FMV) of asset(s) disposed of exceeds the gross amount received for the asset
 - The Certification period is within the <u>2-year period</u> following disposal
 - When 2-year period expires imputed income, if any, assigned to the reported asset(s) also expires
- Assets disposed of for less than fair market value as a result of foreclosure, bankruptcy, divorce or separation are NOT counted

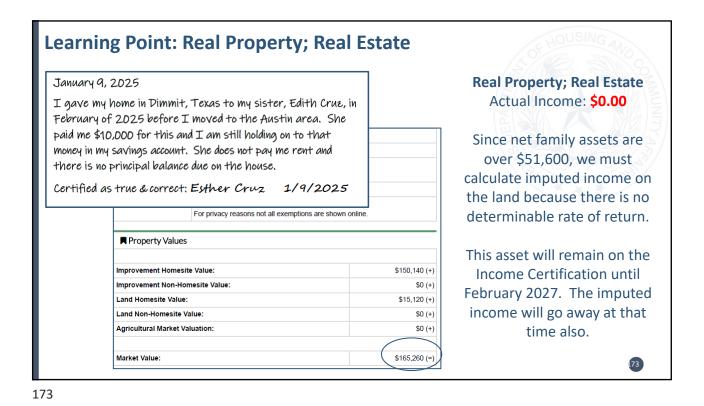


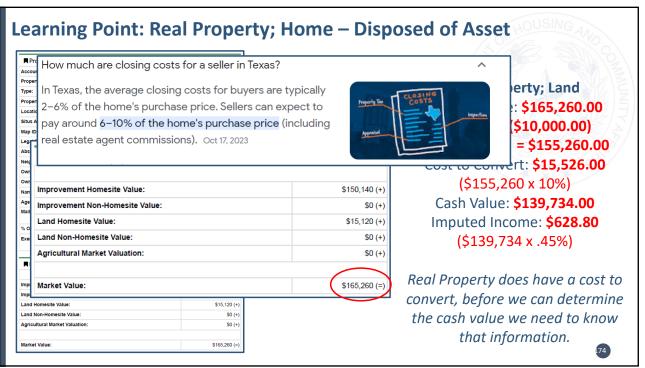
2025 Passbook Rate = 0.45% HUD will evaluate and update this annually



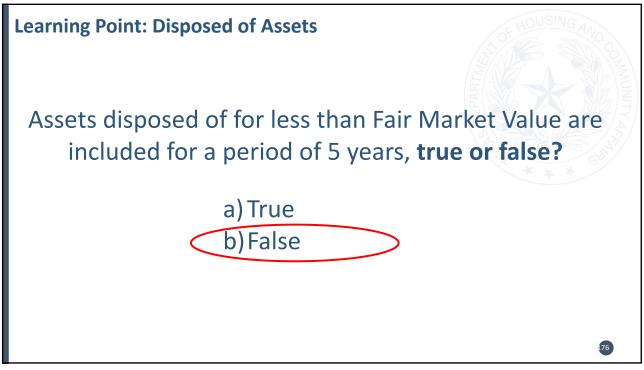
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Learning Point: Disposed of Assets

Assets disposed of for less than fair market value because of foreclosure, bankruptcy, divorce or separation are NOT counted, **true or false?**

a) True b) False



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Assets: Inflationary Adjustments for 2025

Items Adjusted for Inflation Annually by HUD											
		2023		2024		2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
Student Income Allowance	\$	480.00	\$	480.00	\$	480.00					
Dependent Deduction	\$	480.00	\$	480.00	\$	480.00					
Adoption Assistance Allowance	\$	480.00	\$	480.00	\$	480.00					
Elderly Deduction	\$	400.00	\$	525.00	\$	525.00					
Asset Limitation Threshold		5,000.00	\$	50,000.00	\$	51,600.00					
Threshold for Medical Deduction*		3%		10%		10%	1				
Cost of Living Allowance (COLA)		8.70%		3.20%		2.50%					
Passbook Savings Rate		0.06%		0.40%		0.45%					
* Does not include the hardship allowance applicable to some households											

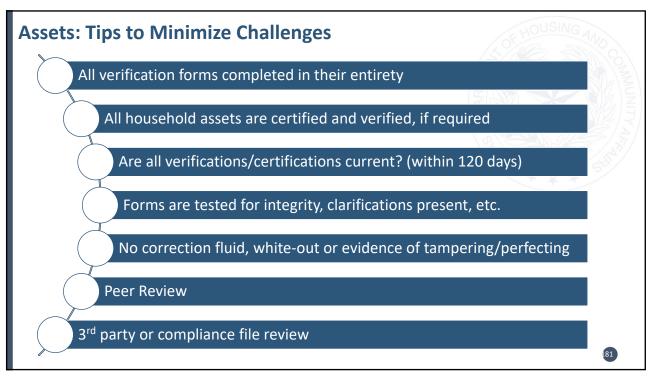


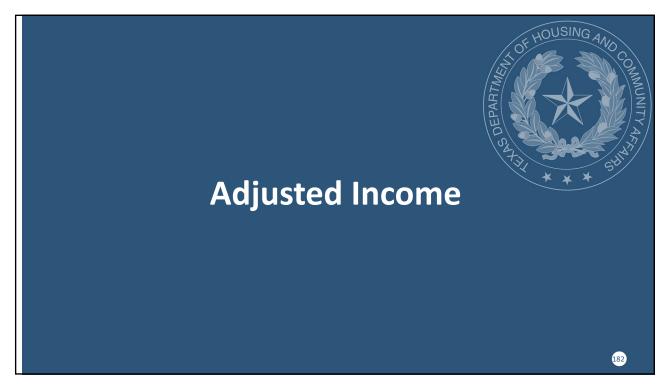
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Assets: Exclusions in HOTMA Do Not Impact Department Programs

HOTMA does have an asset exclusion for families that have assets totaling more than \$100,000 and for families owning real estate.

These exclusions do not apply to most of the Department programs because most of the programs are covered under good cause protections and income is not a good cause. The exclusions are Public Housing and Section 8 requirements that would impact the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program at the Department.



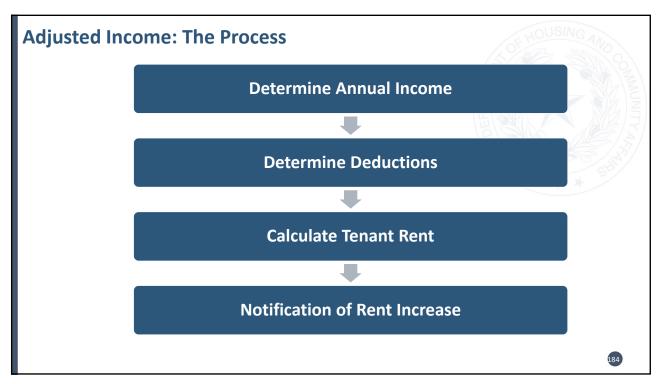


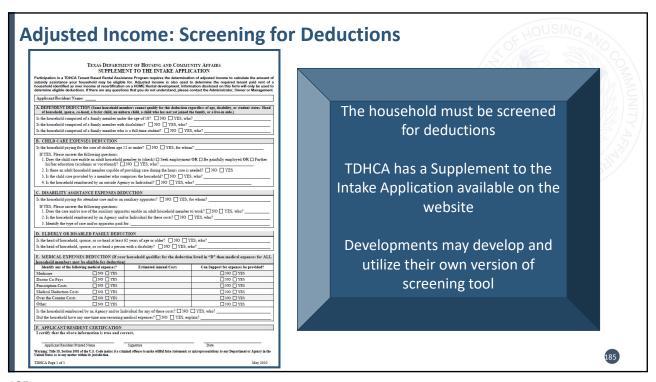
Adjusted Income: Deductions and Purpose

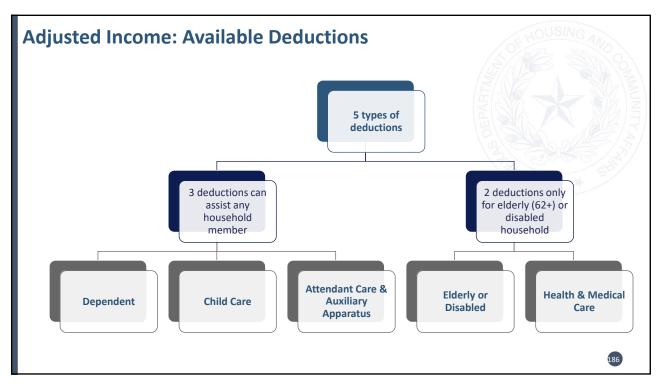
Annually, HUD will issue an Adjustment for Inflation to be used for deductions

- **Dependent Deduction** will correlate to the earned income counted for full-time students and adoption assistance; currently this is \$480 per eligible dependent
- Child Care Deduction has excluded foster children with HOTMA unless the childcare is paid for with the household's income and not the foster care payments received from the welfare agency, this deduction is limited by the amount of childcare compared to the earned income of the applicable household member
- Reasonable Attendant Care and Auxiliary Apparatus; formerly Disabled Deduction 10% test required and the deduction is only allowed when the expense enables a family member (including the disabled person) to work
- Elderly/Disabled Deduction is \$525 and is only allowed once per qualifying household
- Unreimbursed Health and Medical Care expenses for elderly/disabled households 10% test required if not met by previous deduction

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Russell Household: Screening for Deductions TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COLMENTY AFFAIRS SUPPLEMENT TO THE INTERA APPLICATION Prolinguistics in a TRICK. Texast Based Research Associated Program regions to the description of the descript

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The Russell household is applying for a program that requires adjusted income.

We have completed the income and asset screening portion of the process, now we need to adjust their income to determine the rent.

← The Supplement to the Intake Application tells us what we need for the next steps.



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Application: HOME-ARP Qualifying Documents HOME American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) Pre-Application Applicant Name_William and Mary Russell Date $\frac{7/28/2025}{}$ # of bedrooms requested $\frac{2}{}$ Number of adults in household: $\frac{2}{}$ Number of children in household: 1 Applicants should check all boxes that describe y (J) I am homeless (living outside, in my car, an abandoned building, a camp, transitional housing, or in a ii. \sum I am residing in a publicly or privately operated emergency shelter or transitional housing facility designed to provide temporary living arrangements; or, in a hotel/motel currently paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, state or local government programs; To Whom It May Concern: Required Documentation: Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) record; Referral by another housing or service provider stating that the household was in an emergency shelter or transitional housing; or st homeless individuals and families in achieving self-sufficiency. ALS offers short-term Referral by another housing or service provider that the household stating the household is emergency shelter, during which homeless men, women, and families with children can living in hotels and motels paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, state and local government programs; and if hotel/motel: participate in either our Basic Needs Program (3 days to 2 weeks) or our Employment Program William and Mary Russell and Jerome have been staying at Austin Life Shelter since April 28, 2025, till the present. If you have any questions regarding their residency stay, please feet free to contact me at 51 2-548-9005 extension 33. Amy Hammond

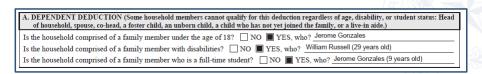
Adjusted Income: Dependent Deduction

- Dependent Deduction of \$480 per eligible dependent in the family
- Dependents are defined as family members who are not head, spouse, co-head and are:
 - · Under 18 years of age
 - · A person with disabilities at any age
 - A full-time student, 18 years of age or older
 - Full-time student status is defined by the institution of higher education, with a degree or certificate program, where the student is enrolled
 - To qualify for the deduction, verification of disability or student status is required
- A foster child, foster adult, unborn child, a child that has not joined the household yet, or dependent of a live-in aide will never qualify for the deduction
- A family does not have to have legal custody of a dependent to receive the deduction; however, the dependent must live in the unit
- A family may not receive a double dependent deduction for one member
 - For example, a 19-year-old, disabled, full-time student would not be eligible for two dependent deductions



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Documenting Income: Dependent Deduction



Is the Russell household eligible for a dependent deduction?

Yes

How much is the household deduction?

The household is eligible for a \$480 deduction for the one dependent



Adjusted Income: Childcare Deduction

- The Childcare Deduction is available for anticipated expenses to any family paying for childcare. The deduction is available to all children under the age of 13 living in the unit when childcare enables a family member to...
 - Work
 - Look for work
 - Go to school (academic or vocational)

Foster children are eligible for this deduction if the childcare expense is paid by the family income and not a welfare stipend.

- The family has to evidence that there is no adult family member capable of providing care during the hours care is needed
- Childcare expenses cannot be reimbursed by an outside agency or individual
- Childcare expenses deducted must be reasonable

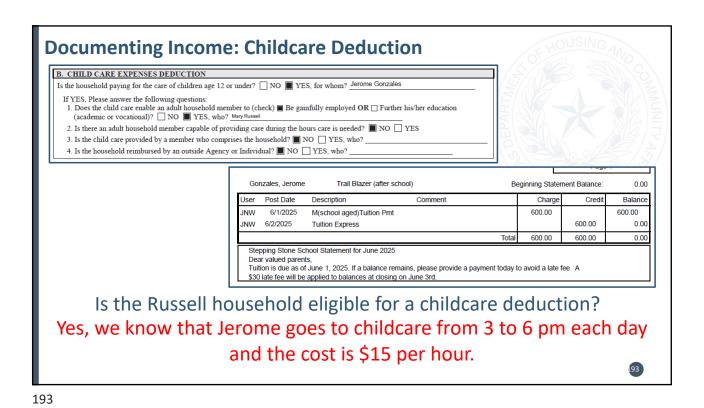


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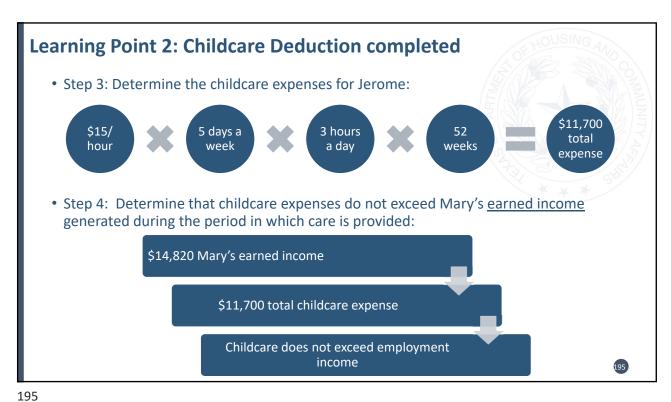
Adjusted Income: Childcare Deduction continued

- Childcare expenses are not paid to someone living in the unit
- Childcare expenses cannot exceed the <u>work income</u> generated by the family member during the period in which care is provided
- The childcare expenses are not restricted when seeking employment or attending school
- To document anticipated child care expenses, the family must:
 - Identify the child(ren) who will be cared for
 - Identify the family member who is enabled to work, look for work, and/or go to school because of the childcare
 - Evidence that no other adult household member in the unit is available to care for the child
 - Identify the childcare provider
 - · Provide documentation of cost





Documenting Income: Childcare Deduction continued How much is the childcare deduction for the Russell household? • Step 1: Determine Mary's annual income, we have already done this step: \$39,520 • Step 2: Determine what Mary's earned income is while her child attends childcare: \$14,820 \$19 an 5 days a 3 hours weeks a earned hour week a day income



Adjusted Income: Attendant Care & Auxiliary Apparatus Expense Deduction

- Attendant Care & Auxiliary Apparatus Expense Deduction is available for unreimbursed, anticipated costs for attendant care and/or an auxiliary apparatus
- The care or apparatus enables a family member, 18 years or older, including the disabled member to work
- The amount claimed is the difference in total expenses for attendant care and/or auxiliary apparatus that exceeds 10% of annual income and earned income of the adult family member enabled to work by the attendant care or auxiliary apparatus
 - Families that were receiving the deduction in 2023 can utilize a hardship implementation; 5% in 2024, 7.5% in 2025 and the full 10% in 2026
- If the disability assistance enables more than one family member to be employed, the allowance cannot exceed the combined income of both

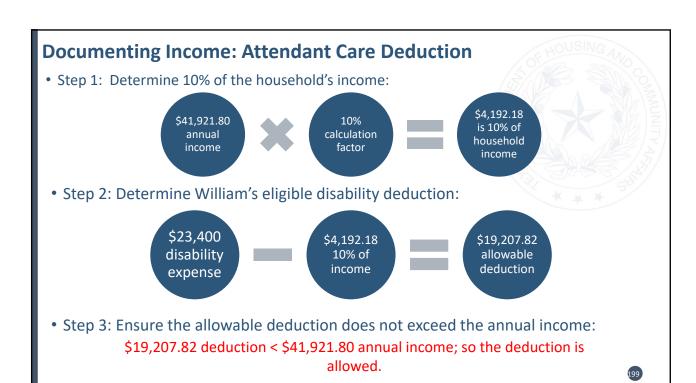
Attendant Care & Auxiliary Apparatus Expense Deduction Items

- Auxiliary apparatus includes items that are directly related to permitting the disabled person or other family member to work
- Includes items such as, but not limited to, the following:
 - Wheelchairs, ramps, adaptations to vehicles (one-time allowances);
 - Cost of maintenance and upkeep of an auxiliary apparatus (i.e. veterinarian and food costs of service animal)
 - Attendant care includes, but is not limited to, reasonable expenses for home medical care, nursing services, interpreters for hearing impaired persons and readers for persons with visual impairments



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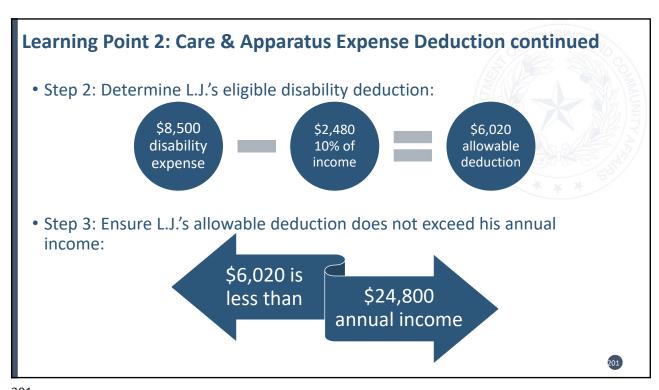
Documenting Income: Attendant Care Deduction Is the household paying for attendant care and/or an auxiliary apparatus? NO YES, for whom? If YES, Please answer the following questions 1. Does the care and/or use of the auxiliary apparatus enable an adult household member to work? 🗌 NO 🔳 YES, who? Mary 2. Is the household reimbursed by an Agency and/or Individual for these costs? NO YES, who? 3. Identify the type of care and/or apparatus paid for: In-home day care for William while Mary works outside of the hom Dear William and Mary Russell: Is the Russell household eligible We will be honored to continue serving your family as a medical aide service for William Russell from the hours of 12 pm until 6 pm each weekday while Mary works outside the home. It is our for a Attendant Care & Auxiliary understanding that the remainder of the working hours are conducted from the home office and Mary is able to offer support, if needed, for William during this time. Should something change in this schedule **Apparatus Expense Deduction?** please let us know The expense for the care will continue to be \$450 per week and that amount will be due every other week as scheduled with the business office. Please feel free to reach out to our business office if you have any further documentation Yes, Mary is able to work while someone provides care to Michelle Crawford William. The caregiver is paid. Michelle Crawford, Care Coordinator



Learning Point 2: Attendant Care & Auxiliary Apparatus Expense Deduction

- L.J. is an individual with disabilities that works full-time and has an annual income of \$24,800. He requires a motorized wheelchair and special transportation to get to his job. The eligible disability expense is \$8,500 for his transportation to and from his job. Is L.J. eligible for a disability expense deduction? If yes, how much?
- Step 1: Determine 10% of L.J.'s employment income:





Adjusted Income: Elderly or Disabled Deduction

- Elderly or Disabled Deduction is a one-time \$525 deduction
 - HUD has indicated that this amount may be adjusted annually
- For 811 PRA the deduction amount is \$400 until HOTMA is implemented (likely, January 2026)
- The deduction is available to a family if the head, spouse, or co-head (or the sole member) is at least 62 years of age or older, or is a person with disabilities
- A household is entitled to only one deduction regardless of how many family members qualify as elderly or disabled



Documenting Assets: Elderly or	Disabled Family Deduction
D. ELDERLY OR DISABLED FAMILY DEDUCTION Is the head of household, spouse, or co-head at least 62 years of age or of the head of household, spouse, or co-head a person with a disability?	
Information About Supplemental Security Income Payments	Yes, recipients of Supplemental Security Income (SSI) are, by definition, disabled. SSI is a federal program that provides monthly payments to individuals with disabilities, blindness, or those aged 65 or older, who have limited income and resources. To qualify for SSI, an individual must have a physical or mental impairment that prevents them from working and is expected to last for at least a year or result in death.
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William, HOH, is a person with a the household is eligible for th	Yes
How much is the deduction?	\$525
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Learning Point 2 & 3: Elderly or Disabled Deduction

Ted is 29 years old and a person with disabilities. Is Ted eligible for the elderly or disabled deduction on their certification? If yes, how much?

Yes, \$525

Carolyn is 62 and lives with her husband, Jeff, who is 35 and disabled. Is the household eligible for the elderly or disabled deduction on their certification? If yes, how much?

Yes, \$525



Adjusted Income: Health & Medical Care Expense Deduction

- Health & Medical Care Expense Deduction is the portion of total medical expenses that exceeds 10% of annual income and is only permitted for households in which the head, spouse, or cohead is elderly or disabled
 - Families that received the deduction in 2023 may utilize a hardship implementation; 5% in 2024, 7.5% in 2025 and the full 10% in 2026
- If the household is eligible, include the unreimbursed anticipated medical expenses of ALL family members
 - Including non-elderly and dependent children
 - Foster persons and Live-in Aides are not eligible for this deduction
 - Medical expenses include medically necessary apparatus, services and medications
- Include ongoing expenses paid in the past 12 months to project the upcoming year's expenses
- Ongoing payments toward existing, unpaid medical bills are eligible for inclusion for the upcoming year
 - NOTE: Must only include the amount of payments to be made, not the total balance due



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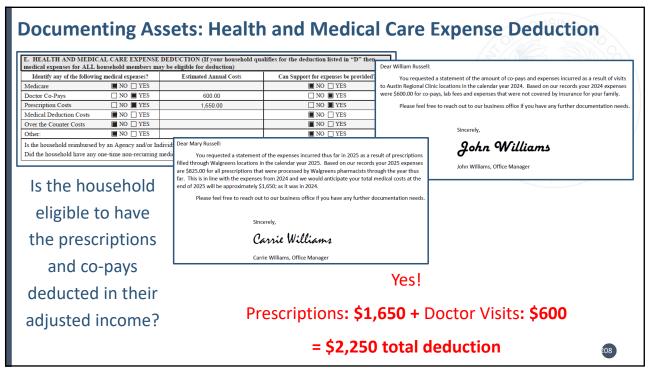
Adjusted Income: Health & Medical Care Expense Deduction Continued

- Examples of eligible medical expenses include, but are not limited to:
 - Services of doctors and healthcare professionals
 - · Services of healthcare facilities
 - Medical insurance premiums or cost of an HMO
 - Prescription/Nonprescription medicines that have been prescribed by a physician
 - Dental expenses
 - Eyeglasses
 - Hearing aids



Learning Point: Care/Apparatus & Health/Medical Expense Disability L.J., from slides 200 & 201, has the Attendant Care & Auxiliary Apparatus expense deduction of \$6,020. In addition, L.J. also has Health & Medical Care expenses in the amount of \$1,500 that are not reimbursed by insurance. Since L.J.'s Care & Apparatus expense has already been calculated, which is required to be determined first, then the medical is iust added. \$7,520 \$6,020 \$1,500 **Apparatus** Medical Total Deduction Deduction **Expenses** 207

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Adjusted Income and Calculation of Tenant Rent

Household Deductions:

Dependent Deduction = \$480 for Jerome

Childcare Expense Deduction = \$11,700 for Jerome's care while Mary works since William is unable to care for Jerome
Attendant Care and Auxiliary Apparatus Expense Deduction** = \$23,400 total cost – 10% of HH income \$4,192.18 =
\$19,207.82 total deduction

Elderly or Disabled Family Deduction = \$525 for the household, HOH William is a person with a disability

Health and Medical Care Expense Deduction** = \$2,250 Deduction (\$600 doctor's visits + \$1,650 prescriptions)

Household income before deductions \$41,921.80

Total Amount of Deductions for the Household: \$34,162.82 Household Adjusted Income = \$7,758.98

Adjusted income ÷ 12 Months = Monthly Adjusted Income x 30% = Monthly Gross Rent, Utility Allowance must be deducted

\$7,758.98 adjusted income ÷ 12 months = \$646.58 Monthly Adjusted Income x 30% = \$193.97 monthly rent based on adjusted income

\$193.97 Gross Rent - \$52 Utility Allowance = \$141.97 (\$141 flat) rent charged to the Russell Household



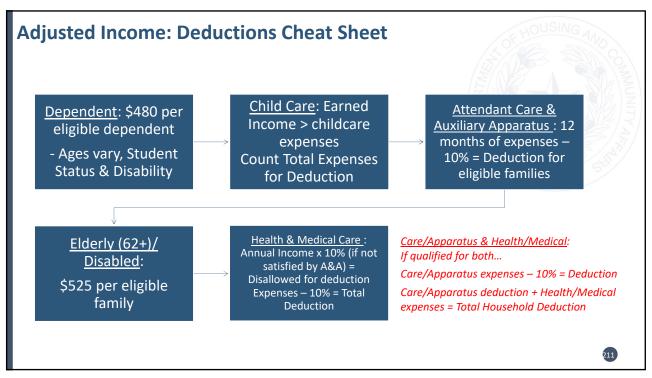
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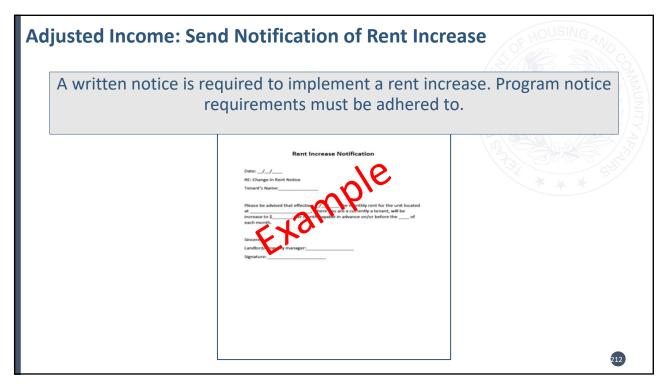
Adjusted Income: Medical Expense Deductions**

If the family is eligible for both the Attendant Care & Auxiliary Apparatus deduction and the Health & Medical Care deduction, the following must be considered:

- Ensure that the family's 10% of income test is applied only one time
- The Attendant Care & Auxiliary Apparatus expense deduction must be calculated before the Health & Medical Care Expense deduction is determined
- The Attendant Care & Auxiliary Apparatus expense deduction is limited by the amount earned by the person enabled to work
- Expenses cannot be included in both categories (no double-dipping)

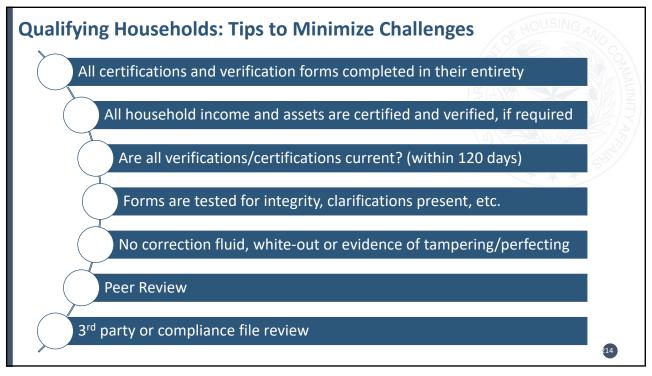






Deductions: Inflationary Adjustments for 2025 Items Adjusted for Inflation Annually by HUD 2023 2024 2025 2026 2027 2028 2029 2030 480.00 \$ 480.00 480.00 Student Income Allowance Dependent Deduction 480.00 \$ 480.00 \$ 480.00 Adoption Assistance Allowance 480.00 \$ 480.00 \$ 480.00 **Elderly Deduction** 400.00 \$ 525.00 \$ 525.00 \$ 51,600.00 Asset Limitation Threshold \$ 5,000.00 | \$ 50,000.00 3% Threshold for Medical Deduction* 10% 10% Cost of Living Allowance (COLA) 8.70% 3.20% 2.50% Passbook Savings Rate 0.06% 0.40% 0.45% * Does not include the hardship allowance applicable to some households

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The Income Certification

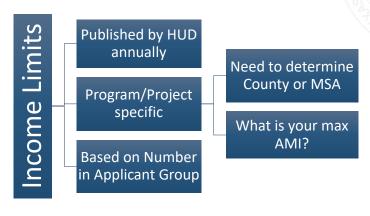
Must Use the Department Approved Form:

- ➤Income Certification
- ➤ Available on TDHCA Website
- ➤ Completed after all verifications are gathered
- > Executed by all adult household members
- > Executed by staff (Owner/Representative)
- **New form for certifications effective in 2024 →**

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Income Limits

- Confirm Applicant is eligible under the required income limits for the program
- Current limits are on the Department's website



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Inflationary Adjustments

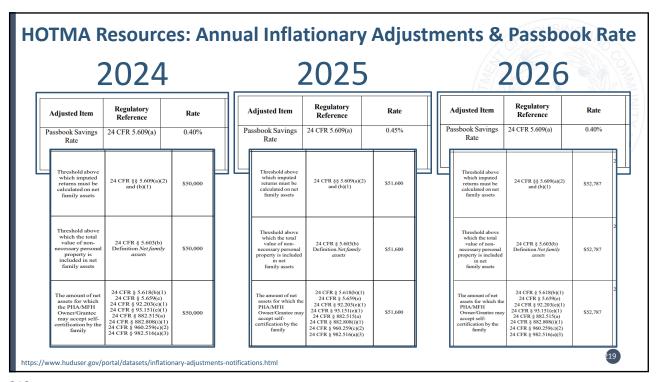
HUD has announced the inflationary changes that will be in effect for certifications with 2025 effective dates, the amounts can be found online at https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/inflationary-adjustments-notifications.html.

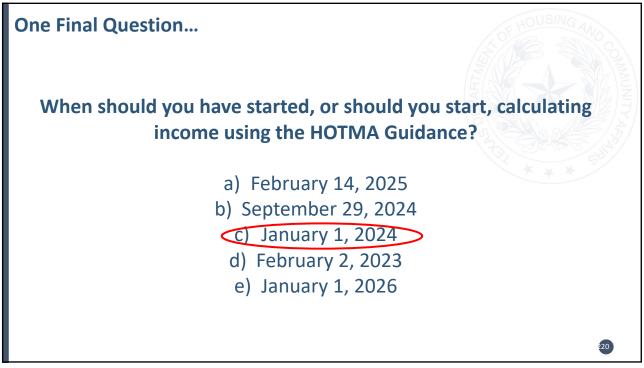
While deduction amounts did not change, the asset threshold and passbook savings rate have changed.

The 2026 amounts have been announced and should be used for any certification with a 2026 effective date.



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Putting it All Together – File Order

The Department has provided the checklists for use in tenant files as a guide.

Your program may have additional requirements, you will want to insure that your files contain all of the required items and, if applicable, are in the appropriate order.

https://www.tdhca.texas.gov/compliance-forms

https://www.tdhca.texas.gov/tenant-based-rental-assistanceforms-library



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