The following list includes documents that you may need for benefit approval. The Department of Human Services may ask for additional documents if needed. Please note: the same document may be used to verify more than one category, for example, a driver’s license can verify identity and address.

1. TO VERIFY YOUR IDENTITY, CITIZENSHIP AND/OR IMMIGRATION STATUS

One of the following:
- Driver’s license
- School or work identification
- Immigration and Naturalization documents (e.g., Green Card)
- Birth certificate
- U.S. Passport
- Any other documentation requested for citizenship, immigration status, or age may be used for verification of identity

2. TO VERIFY YOUR RHODE ISLAND RESIDENCE

One of the following:
- Rent or mortgage receipts showing address
- Library card showing address
- Voter’s registration card
- Lease agreement of letter from landlord
- Mail received with your home address (utility bills, bank statements)

3. TO VERIFY YOUR AGE

One of the following:
- Birth certificate
- Baptismal certificate
- Adoption records
- Hospital birth records
- School records
- Retirement, Survivors, and Disability Insurance (RSDI) award letter if birth date of child is included
- Adoption Records
- Passport
- Marriage license
- Driver’s license
- Military service papers
- Physician’s records

4. TO VERIFY YOUR INCOME

All that apply:
- Check stubs (showing the last 30 days of income)
- Employer statement showing income before taxes, hourly work schedule and the number of hours worked for the past four weeks (if you get paid in cash or you do not have your check stubs)
- Social Security, Supplemental Security Income, or Veteran’s Benefits award letter
- Other retirement or disability benefit award letters
- Proof of alimony received
- Proof of receipt of unemployment insurance benefits, temporary disability benefits (TDI), Veteran’s Administration (VA) benefits.
- Proof of self-employment income (includes rental income and freelance work): provide tax returns or self-employment ledger
- Child Support court order
5. TO VERIFY YOUR RESOURCES

All that apply:

☐ Documentation of ownership of a trust
☐ Proof of rental properties
☐ Trust documents, property
☐ Stock and/or bonds
☐ Proof of ownership of real property other than your home.
☐ Vehicle registration including car, boat, truck, motorcycle, camper
☐ Proof of ownership of other income producing property
☐ Proof of ownership of a burial plot (if you own more than one)
☐ Bank accounts, savings accounts, credit union statements, CD’s
☐ Annuities- complete annuity contract and any riders

6. TO VERIFY YOUR DISABILITY

All that apply:

☐ Proof of receipt of Retirement, Survivors, and Disability Insurance (RSDI) or Supplemental Security Income (SSI); copy of the award letter or similar documentation from the Social Security Administration
☐ Proof of application for Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
☐ Statement from a medical professional
☐ Statement from Temporary Disability Insurance (TDI) or Worker’s Compensation