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Financial Assistance Type	Required Documents	Document Requirements
	Valid form of identification	Valid is defined as: Driver's license, state identification card, passport, military card, permanent resident card, nondriver's ID, certificate of citizenship, or certificate of naturalization, employment authorization document, foreign passport.
Security Deposit, First Month's Rent,	Homelessness Certification form or At-Risk of Homelessness form completed.	Homelessness Certification form At-Risk of Homelessness Certification form
or Renter's Insurance* May include: • Shared housing • Sober living • Room for rent • Market rate unit (apartment) • *Renters insurance, only if required by lease.	Lease or rental agreement or letter of intent to lease	Signature not required. The name on the lease agreement must match the name of the person requesting assistance and show the security deposit amount.
	Proof of income for all household members contributing to rent	 Must have at least one month's worth of information. Ex: Paystubs, proof of employment, other assistance (ex: SSI, Calworks), or bank statements. Must state how much the client is working hourly and how many hours they are expected to work. Income must be high enough to cover the rent. The client must be able to sustain the lease.
	Property owner's W-9 using the SSF Third-Party Vendor Housing PSAP Info and Checklist form	 The vendor may use the SSF's Third Party Vendor Housing PSAP Info and Checklist for to meet the W-9 requirement or they may submit a federal W-9 AND the Section 2 of the SSF form. Refer to the form for more details. The forms submitted by the vendor must include the vendor's email address which is where the property owner will be notified when the check is sent.

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	Proof of property ownership	SSF will contact the Sacramento County Property Appraisers Office to confirm property ownership.
	Valid form of identification	Valid is defined as: Driver's license, state identification card, passport, military card, permanent resident card, nondriver's ID, certificate of citizenship, or certificate of naturalization, employment authorization document, foreign passport.
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Eviction Avoidance and Legal Fees* Note: no more than three (3) months of eviction avoidance may be requested and no more than \$5,000 for singles or \$10,000 for doubles. *Legal fees must be related to the eviction.	Summons and Complaint or Eviction Notice	 The amount listed on the Summons and Complaint must match the requested amount. Refer the client to the <u>City's Eviction Process</u> for the steps a landlord must take to evict a client.
	Proof that the landlord will allow the client to stay in the home	 Letter from the landlord that includes: "I agree to let [client name] stay in the property located at [address] if they pay [\$ amount required] by [date] and continue to pay rent and meet the requirements of the lease agreement. Letter must be signed by the landlord or come from the landlord's email address listed on the W-9.
	Signed lease or rental agreement	 The name on the lease agreement must match the name of the person requesting assistance and show the security deposit amount. The lease must be signed.
	Proof of income for all household members contributing to rent.	 Income must be at least two (2) times higher than rent cost unless additional subsidies are provided with documentation. May include: paystubs or past year tax return. Screenshots from phones will not be accepted.
	Proof of debt from property owner required if the full amount is not listed on eviction notice.	 Ledger documenting rental arrears owed is required if the full amount is not listed on the eviction notice. May also include legal fees.

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	Property owner's W-9 using the SSF Third-Party Vendor Housing PSAP Info and Checklist form	 The vendor may use the SSF's Third Party Vendor Housing PSAP Info and Checklist for to meet the W-9 requirement or they may submit a federal W-9 AND the Section 2 of the SSF form. Refer to the form for more details. The forms submitted by the vendor must include the vendor's email address which is where the property owner will be notified when the check is sent.
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Utility Assistance – Deposit, assistance, or arrears	Valid form of identification	Valid is defined as: Driver's license, state identification card, passport, military card, permanent resident card, nondriver's ID, certificate of citizenship, or certificate of naturalization, employment authorization document, foreign passport.
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	Current utility bill, deposit requirement, or arrears notice	The name listed on the utility bill(s) and notices must match the name of the person requesting assistance.
	Signed lease or rental agreement	 The name on the lease agreement must match the name of the person requesting assistance. The lease must be signed.
Furniture: mattress and bed frame Note: move in kits can be picked up when furniture is requested (includes bedding)	Valid form of identification	Valid is defined as: Driver's license, state identification card, passport, military card, permanent resident card, nondriver's ID, certificate of citizenship, or certificate of naturalization, employment authorization document, foreign passport.
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	Lease or rental agreement or letter of intent to lease.	 Signature not required. The name on the lease agreement must match the name of the person requesting assistance and show the security deposit amount.
	Furniture request form	Furniture Request Form
	Valid form of identification	Valid is defined as: Driver's license, state identification card, passport, military card, permanent resident card, nondriver's ID, certificate of citizenship, or certificate of naturalization, employment authorization document, foreign passport.
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Employment Assistance –	Proof of current or starting employment	Employment offer letter
clothes, transportation, automobile repairs.	Automobile only: invoice or estimate including proof of pricing	Vehicle and client information listed on the estimate must be the same vehicle on the proof of ownership.
	Automobile only: proof of ownership	Vehicle title or vehicle registration with name of client who is applying for assistance.
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Moving Costs	Valid form of identification	Valid is defined as: Driver's license, state identification card, passport, military card, permanent resident card, nondriver's ID, certificate of citizenship, or certificate of naturalization, employment authorization document, foreign passport.
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	Invoice or estimate including proof of pricing	
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Return to Residency i.e. bus ticket, food for travel, luggage, and other necessary travel expenses	Valid form of identification	Valid is defined as: Driver's license, state identification card, passport, military card, permanent resident card, nondriver's ID, certificate of citizenship, or certificate of naturalization, employment authorization document, foreign passport.
	Homelessness Certification form or At-Risk of Homelessness form completed.	Homelessness Certification form At-Risk of Homelessness Certification form
	Invoice or estimate including proof of pricing.	Provide an itemized list of each item including the cost of each item.
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	Lease or rental agreement letter of intent to lease, or letter of intent to house the client.	 Signature not required. The name on the lease agreement must match the name of the person requesting assistance and show the security deposit amount.

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Debt Resolution That prevents the ability to lease	STEP 1: Seek pre-approval	 Only debt that prevents the client from leasing will be approved. Upload 1.1, 1.2, and 1.3 to HMIS and send an email to psaps@sacstepsforward.org requesting pre-approval. Wait for email approval before proceeding to step 2.
	1.1 Valid form of identification	Valid is defined as: Driver's license, state identification card, passport, military card, permanent resident card, nondriver's ID, certificate of citizenship, or certificate of naturalization, employment authorization document, foreign passport.
	1.2 Homelessness Certification form or At- Risk of Homelessness form completed.	 Homelessness Certification form At-Risk of Homelessness Certification form
	1.3 Plan for ending the client's housing crisis	 Provide a narrative explaining the story of how the funding assistance will help the client resolve their housing crisis long term. Include an explanation of the steps the client will take to resolve their housing crisis long term. The steps must be pre-approved by SSF before the client spends the money. Costs incurred prior to approval will not be reimbursed.
	STEP 2: Pay debt and confirm client's housing	 The totality of the debt and all other financial assistance requests may not exceed \$5,000 for a single client or \$10,000 for a family. Reimbursement request will be approved after the client is confirmed for housing and the debt is paid. Obtain 2.1 and 2.2 below which are required for reimbursement.
	2.1 Proof of payment by provider and confirmation	IMPORTANT: Debt that prevents the ability to lease is only eligible for provider reimbursement upon confirmation of housing.
	2.2 Lease or rental agreement or letter of intent to lease.	 Signature not required. The name on the lease agreement must match the name of the person requesting assistance and show the security deposit amount.
	STEP 3 – request reimbursement	Upload all required documents to HMIS and send an email to psaps@sacstepsforward.org.
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Small Essential Costs \$500 or less and do not fit in one of the categories above	READ BEFORE PURCHASING	 Pre-approval is not required but purchase made without pre-approval are made at the providers' own risk. If you wish to seek pre-approval, follow the process defined in the "Debt Resolution" section.
	Valid form of identification	Valid is defined as: Driver's license, state identification card, passport, military card, permanent resident card, nondriver's ID, certificate of citizenship, or certificate of naturalization, employment authorization document, foreign passport.
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	Plan for ending the client's housing crisis and how the small essential costs will support the plan.	 Provide a narrative explaining the story of how the funding assistance will help the client resolve their housing crisis long term. Include an explanation of the steps the client will take to resolve their housing crisis long term. The steps must be pre-approved by SSF before the client spends the money. Costs incurred prior to approval will not be reimbursed.
	Confirm the item isn't excluded.	Items excluded: non-essential furniture such as but not limited to TVs, TV stands, bookshelves, rugs, decorations, vacuums, etc.
	Invoice or estimate including proof of pricing.	 Provide an itemized list of each item including the cost of each item. The items must be purchased by the provider and reimbursed by SSF. SSF must pre-approve purchase.

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