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## Financial support for housing

### Benefits from the job centre

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Who for: Households that receive financial support from the Jobcentre.

### Rent and heating

If the costs for rent and heating are not too high, they will be covered (§22 SGB II). To assess this, there are fixed  [upper rent limits](#). These may not be exceeded. The more people living in a household, the larger the flat may be and the higher the rent may be.


The rent cap amounts refer to the gross rent. A gross rent is made up as follows:

- Net cold rent = basic rent without operating costs  
plus
- cold operating costs = for example, the costs for rubbish collection, (cold) water, stairwell lighting, street cleaning and property tax

The costs for heating and hot water are taken into account separately.

Your case officer will explain to you how to proceed in the event of unreasonable rental costs.

The [Office for Housing and Migration](#) can advise you on all questions relating to housing in Munich.

If you are threatened with homelessness, we will look for a solution with you at  [Sozialbürgerhaus](#).

### Relocation


If you want to move, your case worker must check whether the move is necessary and the costs of the new flat are reasonable before signing the tenancy agreement.

The following evidence and documents are required for the assessment:

1. A written justification as to why you wish to move (if necessary, appropriate evidence proving an important reason)
2. Unsigned tenancy agreement or an offer of accommodation in which all costs are listed. For example, basic rent, deposit, ancillary costs and heating costs.

Good cause exists, for example, if:

- the move will eliminate imminent or existing homelessness
- you no longer need help from the job centre as a result of the move
- you want to start work at a greater distance (journey to work, depending on working hours, more than 2 hours travelling time)

 **Please note:** If you rent a flat without the Job Centre's consent, you may suffer financial disadvantages.

## Housing benefit

### Housing benefit

The state helps citizens with low incomes who do not receive benefits from the job centre. Housing benefit means financial support for your housing costs. For example, if you pay rent for a flat or room or for a residential home. If you own a house, a flat or a part-time farm, you can also apply for housing benefit.

### Prerequisites

The entitlement to housing benefit and the amount depend on three factors:

- the number of household members
- the amount of total income
- the amount of rent or monthly charges


In addition to the person receiving housing benefit, other household members can also be taken into account, for example spouses, partners, children, parents or siblings.


If you are already receiving support for housing costs, for example if you are receiving citizen's allowance and basic income support in old age or reduced earning capacity, you are already receiving support for housing costs. In this case, you cannot receive additional housing benefit. People who receive benefits under the Asylum Seekers' Benefits Act are also not eligible for housing benefit.


### Application and proof

In order to receive housing benefit, you must submit an application and various supporting documents:

- The income per year of all household members. This also includes your pension.
- the rent or the costs. Expenses may also include repayments and interest, as well as maintenance or administration costs.

You can obtain more detailed information and application forms from our information desk or  [here](#).

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Wednesday 08:30 - 12:00 and 15:00 - 17:00

Friday 08:30 - 12:00

Waiting numbers are issued until 11.30 a.m. (until 11.00 a.m. if there are a lot of people); on Wednesday afternoons until 4.30 p.m.

You can send your application and supporting documents by post to the following address:

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