

Reporting a Household Income Decrease

Program Reporting Requirements:

Income decreases may be reported at any time, <u>but must be reported by the 15th</u> of any month to consider a decrease in your rent portion for the next month.

If 15th falls on a Friday, weekend, or holiday; packets are due the end of next business day.

Requirement to approve reported income decrease:

 Home Forward <u>must</u> be able to verify the decrease will last more than 45-days from time complete packet is submitted <u>AND</u> result in overall decrease in <u>current</u> household income.

You will be notified in writing of your new rent portion **OR** reason for delay or no change.

Below are some reasons for a delay or no change:

- Decreases Reported after the 15th: will be delayed at least 30-days if packet is complete.
- **Incomplete Packets**: will be delayed at least 30-days. This includes, but is not limited to, forms not complete, missing signatures/dates by all adults, verification of decrease not provided, or verification of decrease not complete.
- If Currently Moving: Decrease will be effective the first day of month <u>after</u> new lease starts.
- **Recertification in Process**: If your regular recertification has started, and an income decrease is reported within 60-days of the recertification effective date, any decrease approved will be effective the same date as the recertification.
- No Change: decrease reported does not result in decrease to current household income or documents needed for completed packet were not submitted by requested deadline.

Instructions:

- 1. Complete the other side of this form to report a decrease in household income.
- 2. All adult household members, <u>18 years</u> or older, must sign and date this form.
- 3. **Attach verification of decreased income**, for example, a letter from the employer stating your job has ended, the *Verification of Employment Status* completed by the employer, a notice from Oregon Employment Department that Unemployment has stopped, etc. Remember, incomplete packets will be delayed at least 30 days.
- 4. If the household member reporting a decrease in income now has zero income, complete a *Statement of Zero Income* and attach to this form.

IMPORTANT: Please Complete Other Side to Report Your Household Income Decrease



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Household Income Decrease					
Head of Household Name:			Last 4 digits of SSN:		
Address:					
Email Address:			Phone:		
Household Member(s) reporting income decrease:					
Why did income(s) change?					
Does the person now have zero income? No Yes – attach completed Statement of Zero Income					
Will this person apply for, or have they applied for, any new benefits? If yes, check below:					
☐ Unemployment ☐ TANF ☐ Worker's Compensation ☐ Other (specify)					
List below <u>ALL Current Monthly Income</u> for <u>ALL Household Members</u>					
Income Type	Name	Amount		Name	Amount
☐ Employment/wages		\$			\$
Unemployment		\$			\$
SSI		\$			\$
☐ SSB/SSD		\$			\$
☐ TANF		\$			\$
☐ Child Support		\$			\$
☐ Support (family or friend)		\$			\$
☐ VA Benefits		\$			\$
Other (specify)		\$			\$
Other (specify)		\$			\$
Certification: All Adults Must Sign Below					
I/We do hereby swear and attest that all of the information reported on this form is true and complete. I/We understand that Home Forward is required to verify the information that I/we have reported. I/We understand that any misrepresentation or failure to disclose information may be grounds for termination of assistance and may be punishable under Federal law.					
WARNING : Title 18, Section 1001 of the United Stated Code, states that a person is guilty of a felony for knowingly and willingly making false or fraudulent statements to any department or agency of the United States.					
Head of Household Signature				Date	
Spouse/Co-head Signature				Date	
Other Adult Signature				Date	
Other Adult Signature				Date	