New York State
Low Income Household Water Assistance Program

Information for Applicants – Document Checklist
The Low Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP) can help pay overdue water and sewer bills.

Identity
The primary applicant must provide at least one of the following:

- Driver license
- Photo ID
- U.S. Passport or Naturalization Certificate

Or provide 2 of the following:

- Birth certificate or baptismal certificate
- Social Security number
- Statement from another person

Residence (Where you now live)
Applicants must provide one or more of the following:

- Current rent receipt with the name and address
- Copy of lease with address
- Water, sewage, or tax bill
- Utility bill
- Mortgage payment books/receipts with address
- Homeowners insurance policy
- Deed

Water and/or Sewer Vendor Relationship
Applicant must be the customer of record with the water and/or sewer provider and submit one of the following:

- A current water and/or sewer bill; or
- A current tax bill indicating water and/or sewer charges.

Income
The primary applicant must provide proof of income, earned or unearned, including but not limited to:

- Pay stubs for the most recent four weeks
- If self-employed or have rental income, business records for the most recent three months or a signed and completed income tax form for the previous or current year
- Child support or alimony checks
- Bankbook/dividend or interest statement
- Statement from roomer/boarder
- Copy of award letter or most recent check:
  - Social Security/Supplemental Security Income (SSI)/Social Security Disability Income (SSD)
  - Veteran’s benefits
  - Pensions
  - Worker’s Compensation/Disability
  - Verification of Unemployment Insurance Benefit amount