SECURITY DEPOSIT ASSISTANCE
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q Who is eligible for Security Deposit Assistance?

A Tenants who:

- are Baltimore City residents
- have incomes at or below 80% of Area Median Income
- have experienced negative financial impact due to COVID-19

Household members	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Household income limits	$54,950 or less	$62,800 or less	$70,650 or less	$78,500 or less	$84,800 or less	$91,100 or less	$97,350 or less	$103,650 or less

Q How do I apply for Security Deposit Assistance?

A Please follow these steps:
- Go to **www.bmorechildren.com/residents/#rent**
- Click the **Security Deposit Assistance button**
- This will take you to an online screening form; answer all questions
- Provide contact information for you and your landlord
- Click "submit"
- In 24 hours you will receive instructions to upload documents (responses to weekend submissions will take longer)

Q What documents do I need to provide when I apply for Security Deposit Assistance?

A As a tenant applicant, you must provide:
- A signed lease **OR** Letter of Intent to Lease from your landlord indicating:
  - lease period (must be at least 6 months)
  - rent amount
  - security deposit amount
- Proof of Baltimore City residency—MD state ID **OR** these ID options:
  - Driver's license, birth certificate, consular ID, passport, visa, Permanent Resident Card/Green Card company-issued ID, U.S. Military ID
- Proof of income at 80% or less of Area Median Income (AMI)—options:
  - pay stub, W-2, employer letter, benefit award letter (TANF, SSI, Disability)
  - **OR** self-attestation using a government benefit award letter dated after January 1, 2020 that verifies income status (TANF, WIC, SSI) **OR** the self-attestation form in the Security Deposit Assistance application
  - Proof of negative economic impact from COVID-19 (e.g., lost wages or child care)—options: letter from employer, letter from child care provider/school **OR** unemployment benefit letter

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