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PERSONAL INFORMATION AND INCOME

For You, Your Spouse and Your Dependents Full legal name, date of birth, Social Security number, driver's license and last year's tax return
Personal Income Statements Wages - W-2 (for you and your spouse) Self-Employed - 1099 Misc., 1099 NEC, 1099-K, and/or Income Summary Rental Property - All 1099's and/or Income Summary by Property
Unemployment Income or State or Local Tax Refunds Form 1099-G
Investment or Interest Income 1099-INT, 1099-DIV, 1099-B and Schedule K-1
Home or Property Sale Form 1099-S
Pension / IRA / Annuity Form 1099-R
Social Security / RRB Income SSA-1099 and RRB-1099
S-Corp and Partnership Passthrough Earnings Schedule K-1
Trust and Estate Beneficiary Earnings Form 1041, Schedule K-1
HSA and Long Term Care Reimbursements 1099-LTC (distribution tax document) 1099-SA (HSA distribution tax document)
Other Income Alimony, Jury Pay, Gambling or Lottery Winnings



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DEDUCTIONS

Here are the most common deductions. Do you have any of these to deduct?

Education Expenses

Tuition Statements, itemized receipts of qualified educational expenses (Form 1098-T), and student loan interest statements (Form 1098-E)

Homeowner Expenses

Mortgage interest statements (Form 1098), property tax payment receipts, and energy efficient upgrade receipts (Form 5695 if provided by installer)

Charitable Contributions

Detailed list of donations, receipts for contributions, and Form 1098-C for vehicle donations (or a letter confirming donation)

Self-Employment Expenses

Records of business/home office expenses, assets, pension plan contributions, health insurance payments, and estimated tax payment receipts (state and federal)

] Child and Dependent Care Expenses

Name, address, and tax ID or Social Security number of the provider

] Health Care Expenses

Any 1095 forms (for health care coverage) and records of medical and dental costs

Job-Related Educational Expenses

Records of expenses

] IRA Contributions Form 5498

Health Savings Account Contributions Form 5498-SA

Alimony Expenses

Provide Ex-Spouse Full Name + SSN