WHAT IS MSA?

MSA is a program that can give you more income if you are:

- Over age 18 (or under 18 and blind), and
- Getting Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

If you do not get SSI because you have too much money, you may still get MSA.

The monthly maximum MSA benefit is:

- \$81 for an individual, or
- \$111 for a couple

You may also get MSA Special Needs Payments if you:

- Have a special diet prescribed by your doctor
- Pay fees for having a guardian, conservator, or representative payee
- Need furniture or home repairs





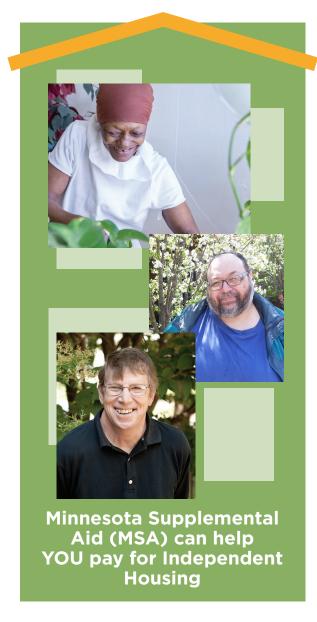


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Visit HB101.org to explore your options and build a plan that fits your housing goals.

MSA Housing Assistance

MSA Housing Assistance helps some people who get MSA pay for housing.

You may be eligible for MSA Housing Assistance if you:

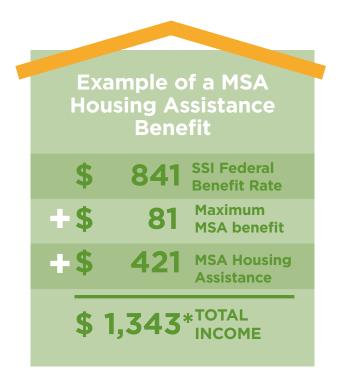
- Get MSA,
- Are between 18 and 65 when you apply, and
- Pay more than 40% of your income for housing costs.

You also must meet **one** of the following:

- Be moving from a hospital, Regional Treatment Center, nursing home, ICF-DD, or an Intensive Residential Mental Health Treatment Program (IRTS), or
- Be eligible for MA PCA services, or
- Be receiving Waivered Services (BI, CAC, CADI, DD) in your own home
- Transitioning from the Housing Support (formerly Group Residential Housing) program.

MSA Housing Assistance Benefit

If you apply and are eligible for MSA Housing Assistance, you will get an extra \$421 per month (as of July 1, 2022), in addition to your regular MSA benefits.



^{*}Total income accurate as of July 1, 2022

MSA Tips

Apply for MSA (including Housing Assistance or other special needs),

- Fill out the Combined Application Form, DHS-5223 and return it to your county, or
- Apply online at www.applymn.org.

You can use rent and utility receipts or ask your worker for the DHS shelter verification form (DHS-2952) as proof of housing and utility expenses.

