

LISTING OF ELIGIBLE MINISTERIAL HOUSING ALLOWANCE EXPENSES

Generally, any expense incurred to provide or maintain the home can be used as a housing allowance expense. Expenses for groceries, paper products, personal toiletries, and maid service cannot be used.

- Mortgage principle paid
- Mortgage interest paid
- Property taxes paid
- Insurance on the home and contents, including renter's insurance
- Utilities: including electric, gas, water, sewer, trash service
- Furniture, appliances, dishes and cookware
- Furnishings and decorating items, including rugs, pictures, curtains, bedspreads, sheets, towels, etc.
- Phone service: the "basic" charge only
- Cable television service: the "basic" plan only
- Down payment on a home
- Home repairs
- Home remodeling costs paid (not out of a loan)
- Yard maintenance and equipment, snow removal
- Landscaping
- Homeowners' association dues
- Maintenance and cleaning items: including paper towels, cleaners, pest control, rags, light bulbs, etc