

Cost of Keeping Up a Home

Keep for Your Records

	Amount You Paid	Total Cost
Property Taxes*	\$ _____	\$ _____
Mortgage interest expenses*	\$ _____	\$ _____
Rent	\$ _____	\$ _____
Utility charges	\$ _____	\$ _____
Property insurance*	\$ _____	\$ _____
Food eaten in the home	\$ _____	\$ _____
Other household expenses	\$ _____	\$ _____
Fair market rental value*	\$ _____	\$ _____

*Under proposed regulations, fair market rental value may be used (instead of the sum of payments for property taxes, mortgage interest expenses, and property insurance)

Totals

Minus total amount you paid (_____)

Amount others paid \$ _____

If the total amount you paid is more than the amount others paid, you meet the requirement of paying more than half the cost of keeping up the home

Note:

Costs you include. Include in the cost of keeping up a home expenses such as rent, mortgage interest, real estate taxes and insurance on the home, repairs, utilities, and food eaten in the home. As an alternative to including mortgage interest, real estate taxes, and insurance under proposed regulations, you may include the fair market rental value of the home.

Costs you don't include. Don't include the cost of clothing, education, medical treatment, vacations, life insurance, or transportation. Also, don't include the value of your services or those of a member of your household.