Housing Pathways

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Housing NSW

Rentstart Bond Loan Supplement

Use this form if you are applying for assistance to set up a private rental tenancy. You will need to understand the terms and conditions of the Bond Loan, which are available as Part E of the *Application for Rentstart Bond Loan* form.

What is a Rentstart Bond Loan? For more information about Rentstart Bond Loans, go to www.housingpathways.nsw.gov.au and read the Rentstart Bond Loan fact sheet.	Rentstart can help you to set up a private rental tenancy by providing a loan for up to 75 per cent of the bond. It may also offer extra help if you are experiencing severe financial difficulties, housing stress or homelessness. Note: Rentstart may also help you with rent arrears if you are at risk of homelessness, or with temporary accommodation if you are homeless. If you want to apply for these types of assistance, please contact your local housing office. You do not need to complete this form.
Can I get a Rentstart Bond Loan?	To be eligible for a Rentstart Bond Loan, you will have to meet certain income and other criteria, and be a resident of NSW. For more information about eligibility for Rentstart, go to the Housing Pathways website **www.housingpathways.nsw.gov.au** or phone 1300 HOUSING (1300 468 746) 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
What is this form for?	Use this form when you want to apply for help setting up a private rental tenancy. This form is to be filled in by the real estate agent or landlord once you have found a property you want to rent. It is a supplement to the *Application for Housing Assistance*. Your application will be assessed on the information provided on these forms and at interview, if you have one.
How do I apply for a Rentstart Bond Loan?	You can apply for a Rentstart Bond Loan in two ways: If you have completed an *Application for Housing Assistance* form, find an affordable property you would like to rent and ask the real estate agent or landlord to complete this form. Make sure you have read the Bond Loan Terms and Conditions. The second way is to apply for a Rentstart Bond Loan directly. To do this you will need to complete an *Application for Rentstart Bond Loan* form. You can find both forms at the Housing Pathways website at www.housingpathways.nsw.gov.au. Make sure the rent for the property you wish to rent is not more than 50% of your household's total gross weekly income. For example, if your household's total gross weekly income is $500, to be eligible for a Rentstart Bond Loan, the weekly rent must be $250 or less. Once the real estate agent or landlord has completed this form, sign the Declaration by Applicant section and fax the completed form to us on 1300 722 404 or scan and email a signed copy to rentstart@facs.nsw.gov.au or return it in person to your local housing office. Please note: before we can assess whether you can get Rentstart, you need to provide all the evidence requested (including an up-to-date bank statement and proof of current income).
How is the bond paid?	Approved bond is paid directly to the Rental Bond Board.
What if I am homeless?	If you have nowhere safe to stay tonight contact the Link2Home service (freecall) 1800 152 152 for assistance with overnight accommodation or visit a local housing office and talk to us.

It is illegal for anyone working for Housing NSW or a community housing provider to ask for money or favours or other benefits of any kind in exchange for helping you with your housing needs. It is also illegal for you or anyone else to offer money or favours or other benefits of any kind to anyone who works for Housing NSW or a community housing provider for helping you. If you have any information regarding possible corrupt conduct you can report it by calling 1300 HOUSING (1300 468 746).

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Rentstart – Property Information Form

Please use BLOCK LETTERS and print in black or blue pen only. Please mark relevant boxes with a ✗. If you need more room to answer any question, please include details on a separate page and attach it to your application.

1. Name of applicant/s
(Please print full name)

Family name First name

Family name First name

Family name First name

2. Address of rental property being applied for

Note: Local council will be contacted to confirm ownership if the property is managed by a private landlord/proprietor.

Postcode

3. Name of real estate agent/landlord/proprietor

4. Business/contact address of above

Postcode

5. Phone number

6. Real estate agent/landlord/proprietor Australian Business Number (ABN)

7. Proposed tenancy start date

DD / MM / YYYY

8. Lease to be signed on
(if different to the above date)

DD / MM / YYYY

9. Type of accommodation
(e.g. house, flat, room etc.)

10. Is the accommodation furnished?

☐ Yes ☐ No

11. How many bedrooms does the property have?

☐ 1 ☐ 2

☐ 3 ☐ 4

☐ Other → how many?

OFFICE USE ONLY

T-File Number

ARN Number

12. Weekly rent

$

13. Bond required

Note: Housing NSW will only pay a bond that is lodged with the Rental Bond Board, and will not pay a bond directly to landlords/ proprietors or their agents.

$

14. Has a holding deposit been paid?

☐ Yes how much? ☐ No

$

15. How many people will live in this property?

16. Proposed length of lease

17. Agent/owner's declaration

The documents I relied on to substantiate the applicant's identity:
(please mark all that apply)

- ☐ Driver's licence
- ☐ Birth certificate
- ☐ Medicare card
- ☐ Health care card
- ☐ Bank book/current statement
- ☐ Centrelink statement
- ☐ Rent receipts
- ☐ References
- ☐ Passport
- ☐ Utility account (e.g. gas, electricity, bills etc.)
- ☐ Other – please specify

a) I declare that all of the information I have provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

b) I hereby authorise and direct the *[insert council name]* Council to provide details of property ownership to Housing NSW for the purpose of providing Rentstart.
This authority and direction is a consent for the purposes of the *Housing Act 2001* and the *Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998.*

c) I understand that there are penalties under the *Housing Act 2001* for making false statements or representations that assist others to obtain accommodation or other benefits from Housing NSW.

Agent /owner's full name Family name First name

Signature

Date DD / MM / YYYY

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Rentstart Bond Loan Supplement Declaration

Please make sure you have read Part E of the *Application for Rentstart Bond Loan* form which is available from any Housing NSW office, or community housing provider participating in Housing Pathways, or from the Housing Pathways website at www.housingpathways.nsw.gov.au

Declaration by applicant

I certify that the information I have given is true and correct.

a) I understood the instructions given on the form.
b) I declare all the information I have given is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
c) I am aware the maximum penalty under the *Housing Act 2001* for making a false statement or representations is a fine of $2,200.
d) I understand Housing NSW may refuse further assistance or prosecute me if I have made any wilfully false statements as a result of which I obtain accommodation or financial benefit of any kind.

Please mark to confirm

I have read the Rentstart Bond Loan Terms and Conditions (Part E)	Yes ☐	No ☐
I have understood the Rentstart Bond Loan Terms and Conditions (Part E)	Yes ☐	No ☐
I have decided to seek independent expert advice to have the Terms and Conditions (Part E) explained to me	Yes ☐	No ☐

Sign here ✕ **Date** DD / MM / YYYY

Full name (please print)

Declaration from person assisting or completing this application on behalf of the applicant

Please sign below if you have complied with and you understand the following statements:

a) I filled in this form on the basis of the information the applicant gave me.
b) I have read out the form and the answers to the applicant who seemed to understand them.
c) I understand that monetary penalties including imprisonment for a period of up to six months may be imposed by a court if I have made any wilfully false statement as a result of which I obtain accommodation or financial benefit of any kind.
d) I understand Housing NSW may refuse further assistance or prosecute me if I have made any wilfully false statements as a result of which I obtain accommodation or financial benefit of any kind.

Please mark to confirm

I have read the Rentstart Bond Loan Terms and Conditions to the applicant (Part E)	Yes ☐	No ☐
The applicant seemed to understand the Rentstart Bond Loan Terms and Conditions (Part E)	Yes ☐	No ☐
I have assisted the applicant to seek independent expert advice to have the Terms and Conditions (Part E) explained to them	Yes ☐	No ☐

Sign here ✕ **Date** DD / MM / YYYY

Full name (please print)

Office use only - Documentation sighted and certified (Can be completed by a Housing NSW officer or staff from other NSW Government agencies)

Citizenship	Type		Number	
ID	Type		Number	
Name			Position	
Signature			Agency	
Date		DD / MM / YYYY		

Is this a joint or shared household? Yes ☐ No ☐

Is this client receiving a Private Rental Subsidy? Yes ☐ No ☐

Interpreting Services

If you need help with interpreting or translation because English is not your first language, phone the All Graduates Translating and Interpreting Service on 1300 652 488. They will phone the housing organisation and interpret for you for free.

Arabic

إذا كنت بحاجة إلى مساعدة في الترجمة الشفهية أو الخطية لأن اللغة الإنكليزية ليست لغتك الأم. فالرجاء الاتصال بـAll Graduates لخدمة الترجمة الخطية والشفهية على الرقم 1300 652 488. لكي تتّصل هذه الخدمة بهيئة الإسكان وتؤمّن لك مترجماً على الخط مجاناً.

Bosnian

Ako vam je potrebna pomoć prevodioca jer vam engleski nije maternji jezik, nazovite All Graduates Službu prevodilaca i tumača na 1300 652 488. Oni će nazvati stambenu organizaciju i besplatno vam prevoditi.

Chinese

如果英語不是您的第一語言，因而您需要傳譯或翻譯，那麼請致電 1300 652 488 跟 All Graduates 翻譯及傳譯服務機構聯絡。他們會免費幫您打電話給房屋組織並且為您傳譯。

Croatian

Ako trebate pomoć tumača ili prevoditelja jer Vam engleski nije materinji jezik, nazovite All Graduates Službu prevoditelja i tumača na 1300 652 488. Oni će nazvati stambenu organizaciju i besplatno tumačiti za Vas.

Filipino

Kung kailangan niyo ng tulong sa pag-iinterprete o pagsasalin-wika dahil ang Ingles ay hindi niyo unang wika, tumawag po sa Serbisyo ng Pagsasalin-wika at Pag-iinterprete ng All Graduates sa 1300 652 488. Sila po ay tatawag sa samahan ng pabahay at mag-iinterprete sila para sa iyo nang walang bayad.

Farsi

اگر بخاطر اینکه زبان مادری شما انگلیسی نیست به ترجمه شفاهی یا کتبی نیاز دارید به سرویس ترجمه کتبی و شفاهی All Graduates شماره 1300 652 488 تلفن کنید. آنها به اداره مسکن تلفن زده و به رایگان برای شما ترجمه خواهند کرد.

Greek

Αν χρειάζεστε βοήθεια με διερμηνεία ή μετάφραση γιατί τα Αγγλικά δεν είναι η πρώτη σας γλώσσα, τηλεφωνήστε στην Υπηρεσία Μεταφραστών και Διερμηνέων All Graduates στο 1300 652 488. Αυτοί θα τηλεφωνήσουν στον οργανισμό στέγασης και θα διερμηνεύσουν για εσάς δωρεάν.

Italian

Se ti serve un interprete o una traduzione perché l'inglese non è la tua prima lingua, chiama il servizio traduzioni e interpreti All Graduates al numero 1300 652 488. Questo servizio telefonerà all'ente competente per gli alloggi e ti offrirà un servizio interpreti a titolo gratuito.

Khmer

ប្រសិនបើលោកអ្នកត្រូវការជំនួយផ្នែកបកប្រែភាសានិយាយ ឬសរសេរ ដោយព្រោះតែភាសាអង់គ្លេសពុំមែនជាភាសាទី១របស់លោកអ្នក សូមទូរស័ព្ទទៅសៀវភៅបកប្រែភាសាសរសេរ និងនិយាយរបស់ All Graduates លេខ 1300 652 488។ ពេលនោះគេនឹងទូរស័ព្ទទៅអង្គការផ្តល់ទីលំនៅ ហើយបកប្រែជូនលោកអ្នកដោយឥតគិតថ្លៃ។

Korean

영어가 모국어가 아니기 때문에 통역 혹은 번역 도움이 필요하실 경우 All Graduates 통번역 서비스에 1300 652 488로 전화하십시오. 이들이 주택 기관에 전화하여 귀하를 위해 무료로 통역해 드릴 것입니다.

Lao

ຖ້າທ່ານຕ້ອງການຄວາມຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອດ້ານແປພາສາ ຫຼື ແປເອກະສານເນື່ອງຈາກວ່າພາສາອັງກິດບໍ່ແມ່ນພາສາຫຼັກຂອງທ່ານ, ຈົ່ງໂທຣະສັບຫາບໍລິການການແປເອກະສານແລະນາຍພາສາ All Graduates ຕາມໝາຍເລກ 1300 652 488. ພວກເຂົາຈະໂທຣະສັບຫາອົງການເຄຫະສະຖານ ແລະ ຈະແປພາສາໃຫ້ທ່ານໂດຍ ບໍ່ຄິດຄ່າໃດໆ.

Macedonian

Ако ви треба помош околу усмено или писмено преведување бидејќи англискиот не е вашиот прв јазик, телефонирајте во Службата за писмено и усмено преведување, All Graduates, на 1300 652 488. Тие ќе се јават во организацијата за сместување во стан/куќа и бесплатно ќе ви преведуваат.

Polish

Jeśli potrzebujesz pomocy z tłumaczeniem ustnym lub pisemnym, ponieważ angielski nie jest twoim pierwszym językiem, zadzwoń do Służby Tłumaczeń All Graduates pod numer 1300 652 488. Połączą cię tam z organizacją mieszkaniową i tłumaczem, który pomoże ci się bezpłatnie porozumieć.

Russian

Если вам нужна помощь с устным или письменным переводом, поскольку английский не является вашим первым языком, звоните в Переводческую службу All Graduates по тел. 1300 652 488. Она позвонит в жилищную организацию и обеспечит вам бесплатный устный перевод.

Samoan

Afai e te manaomia se fesoasoani i le faaliliuina po o le faamatalaina ona o le gagana Faaperetania e le o lau gagana muamua lea, telefoni i le Auaunaga o Faaliliuupu ma Faamataupu a le All Graduates i le 1300 652 488. O le a latou telefoni i le faalapotopotoga o fale ma faamatalaupu mo oe e sa'oloto e aunoa ma se totogi.

Serbian

Ако вам је потребна помоћ са тумачењем или превођењем због тога што енглески није ваш матерњи језик, назовите All Graduates преводилачку и тумачку службу на 1300 652 488. Они ће позвати стамбену организацију и за вас бесплатно тумачити.

Spanish

Si necesita ayuda de interpretación o traducción porque el ingles no es su primer idioma, llame al Servicio de Interpretación y Traducción All Graduates al 1300 652 488. De allí llamarán a la organización de la vivienda y le interpretarán en forma gratuita.

Turkish

İngilizce anadiliniz olmadığı için sözlü veya yazılı tercümede yardıma ihtiyacınız varsa, 1300 652 488 numaralı telefondan All Graduates Yazılı ve Sözlü Tercüme Servisi'ni arayın. Konut kuruluşuna telefon edip sizin için ücretsiz tercümanlık yapacaklardır.

Vietnamese

Nếu cần người thông dịch hoặc phiên dịch vì tiếng Anh không phải là ngôn ngữ chính của mình, quý vị hãy gọi đến Dịch vụ Thông Phiên dịch All Graduates qua số 1300 652 488. Họ sẽ điện thoại đến cơ quan gia cư và giúp thông dịch cho quý vị miễn phí.