



Be sure to search for cost-of-living comparisons in your new location, compared to your current location.

What is your take home pay per month after taxes?	\$
What are your monthly living expenses, excluding rent?	\$
Be prepared for up front first and last month rent	\$
Health insurance	\$
Home insurance	\$
Car insurance	\$
Utilities	\$
Car loans	\$
Fuel	\$
Repairs	\$
Creditors, all credit cards, loans, etc.	\$
Charitable contributions	\$
Groceries, lunches, meals out	\$
Childcare	\$
School loans, tuition/supplies	\$
Medical Bills	\$

Prescription Medicines	\$
Pet Supplies & Vet Exams	\$
Dry cleaning, laundry	\$
Entertainment: movies, video rentals, clubs	\$
Communication : phone, Internet, cable, etc.	\$
Club dues, gym membership, etc.	\$
Subscriptions	\$
Clothing	\$
Grooming: haircuts, facials, spas, etc.	\$
Parking	\$
Public transit: bus, train, taxi, etc.	\$
Miscellaneous	\$
Cash	\$
Total expenses subtracted from take home pay	\$

Subtract your living expenses from take home pay. Whatever is left over is your "rent budget."

If you have a low rent budget, perhaps search ‘find a roommate’ online for local listings. Also be sure to investigate a roommate agreement.