

The 1091 publication lists what NYS consider as proof of income:

“Proof of Income

Submit with your application any federal and state income tax returns filed by you and any other owners for the latest income tax year prior to the date of your application. You may also be required to submit statements of payments made by the Social Security Administration, bank statements, rent receipts, or other documents to prove your income.

Income includes:

- all Social Security payments, salary and wages (including bonuses)
- interest (including nontaxable interest on state or local bonds)
- total dividends, net earnings from farming, rentals, business, or profession (including amounts claimed as depreciation for income tax purposes)
- income from estates or trusts
- gains from sales or exchanges
- the total amount received from retirement or pension plans
- annuity payments (excluding amounts representing a return of capital)
- alimony
- unemployment insurance payments
- disability payments
- workers compensation
- earnings on individual retirement accounts (IRAs)
- any other types of income not specifically excluded by law

Income does not include:

- Supplemental Security Income
- welfare payments
- gifts and inheritances
- payments received as participants in the Federal Foster Grandparents Program
- a return of capital
- reparation payments received by Holocaust survivors
- distributions from IRAs”