Proof of Identity

Identity document(s) must <u>equal 3 points</u>. Consult the chart below for document point values. *Original* documents must be presented. Photocopies are *not* accepted.

Documents Worth 3 Points:	
Documents worth 5 Points.	

Must be the *original* document, *expired for* one year or less, with a photograph, full name, and date of birth.

Documents Worth 2 Points:

Must be the *original* document, unexpired, with the applicant's name.

Documents Worth 1 Point:

Must be the *original* document, unexpired*, with the applicant's name.

Adults and Minors:

U.S. Documents:

- U.S. Driver's License
- U.S. State ID
- U.S. Passport
- U.S. Military ID
- U.S. Veteran ID Card or Veteran Health ID Card
- U.S. Tribal Photo ID Card
- U.S. Permanent Resident Card (Green Card)
- Certificate of Naturalization (w/photo)
- Municipal/Local Government ID, including METRO ID cards.
- Employment Authorization Card
- U.S Accredited Educational Institution Photo ID
- Released Offender Photo ID (Issued by federal, state, or local criminal justice agency)
- U.S. State Department Visa (including Border Crossing Card)

International Documents:

- Consular Identification (CID)
- Foreign Passport
- Foreign Driver's License
- Foreign National ID Card
- Foreign Military ID (incl. Veteran ID Card)
- Photo identification card with name, address, date of birth, and expiration date issued by another country to its citizens or nationals as an alternative to a passport for re-entry to the issuing country

Renewal of Adult Enhanced Library Card:

 Previous Enhanced Library Card (accepted up to one year after expiration).

Adults and Minors:

- Social Security Card
- Voter Registration Card
- U.S. Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) authorization letter
- Federal, State, or local government employee ID card (w/photo)
- Employee ID Card (Issued by an employer located in the U.S.)
- U.S. Union Photo ID
- U.S Accredited Educational Institution ID without a photo
- Prison/Jail Discharge ID or documents without a photo (incl. medical records or parole decisions)
- School Enrollment Form for the Applicant (Issued by a state of Texas school district, charter school, or private school)
- Certificate of Age (Issued by Texas Workforce Commission)
- Any of the following documents issued by the Department of Homeland Security (incl. ICE and USCIS):
 - Approval notice of an immigration benefit, (Form I-797; I-797A, B, or D)
 - Certificate of Naturalization (no photo)
 - o Form I-94 Arrival/Departure Record
 - Order of Release on Recognizance I-220A Services (w/ photo and DOB)
 - Order of Supervision Form I-220B (w/ photo and DOB)
- Verification of Release Form (Issued by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Refugee Resettlement)
- Written verification issued by a hospital, health care provider, or social services agency located in the state of Texas verifying that the applicant's identity (must be signed and dated on official agency letterhead).

Adults and Minors:

- *Government issued IDs from 3-point column if expired for 1-5 years.
- Certificate of marriage, domestic partnership, civil union, divorce or dissolution of marriage, domestic partnership or civil union. If from outside the U.S., with a notarized translation.
- Birth certificate of applicant or applicant's child, issued by a State or Territory, a locality of a State or Territory, or by the U.S. State Department, listing applicant as birth parent.
- Birth certificate from outside of the U.S., with notarized translation.
- Texas adoption record of the applicant or the applicant's child
- Electronic benefit transfer (EBT) card
- Medical or Immunization Records (Certified by a medical provider)
- Medicare Card or Medicaid Card, license, or other federal document (Texas Medicaid/Your Texas Benefits Card issued by Texas Health and Human Services)
- Social Security Benefits Verification Letter or other official letter (Issued by the U.S. SS Administration or a state of Texas Assistance Office)
- U.S. Military Discharge Forms (Issued by Dept. of Defense or National Personnel Records Center)
- Transcript from a U.S. high school or postsecondary school
- Diploma from a U.S. high school, high school equivalency, or post-secondary school
- Diploma from a non-U.S. high school or equivalent, or post-secondary school, with notarized translation.
- Bank Card or Sam's/Costco Club Card (w/name and photo)
- ID cards issued by a state of Texas community or social service agencies.

Proof of Residency

All applicants must present <u>ONE</u> of the following documents. Applicant's name and Texas residential address must be on the document.

Digital/electronic residency documents are accepted.

The following must be current and unexpired:

- Applicant's Level 1, Level 2, or Level 3 Proof of Identity document that displays their current Texas address (Example: current Texas Driver's License or State ID)
- Current Texas vehicle title or registration with address on it
- Current residential property lease or sublease that includes the lease term, rent amount, utilities terms, and lessor/sublessor contact information

The following must be dated within 60 days:

- Utility bill: gas, electric, garbage, water, internet/cable/landline.
- Insurance bill: homeowner's, renter's, health, life, or automobile insurance
- Local mortgage payment receipt
- Bank account statement
- Employment pay stub
- Jury summons or court order issued by a federal, state, or municipal court
- USPS Change of Address confirmation (dated within the 60-day period prior to the application submission)
- Written verification issued by a homeless service agency within the state of Texas confirming residency (original, signed copy on official letterhead)
- Written verification issued by a hospital, health clinic, social services agency, or faith-based agency located within the state of Texas verifying residency (original, signed copy on official letterhead)
- If a certified copy of a marriage certificate is presented at the time of application, an applicant may prove residency using documents bearing the name of their spouse.

The following must be dated within 1 year:

- Federal income tax or refund statement
- Letter or document issued by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service addressed to the applicant regarding the applicant's personal tax status (dated within the 12-month period prior to application submission)

The following must be dated within the current school year:

- Proof that the applicant has a minor child or is a minor* currently enrolled in a school located within the state of Texas
- Letter or record addressed to the applicant from a school, college, or university located in Texas that the applicant or the applicant's child attends

*Note: If a minor is unable to provide residency documents, a parent or legal guardian may verify the minor's residency, provided the parent/quardian would be eligible for an HCPL Photo ID Library Card themselves.

*Homeschooled Children: The parent/legal guardian will need to provide residency documents according to the *Note* above.