

Schedule J: Your Expenses (Official Form 106J and 106J-2)

Schedule J: Your Expenses (Official Form 106J) provides an estimate of the monthly expenses, as of the date you file for bankruptcy, for you, your dependents, and the other people in your household whose income is included on *Schedule I: Your Income* (Official Form 106I).

If you are married and are filing individually, include your non-filing spouse's expenses unless you are separated.

If you are filing jointly and Debtor 1 and Debtor 2 keep separate households, Debtor 2 must complete and include *Schedule J-2: Expenses for Separate Household of Debtor 2* (Official Form 106J-2).

Do not include expenses that other members of your household pay directly from their income if you did not include that income on *Schedule I*. For example, if you have a roommate and you divide the rent and utilities and you have not listed your roommate's contribution to household expenses in line 11 of *Schedule I*, you would list only your share of these expenses on *Schedule J*.

Show all totals as monthly payments. If you have weekly, quarterly, or annual payments,

calculate how much you would spend on those items every month.

Do not list as expenses any payments on credit card debts incurred before filing bankruptcy.

Do not include business expenses on this form. You have already accounted for those expenses as part of determining net business income on *Schedule I*.

On line 20, do not include expenses for your residence or for any rental or business property. You have already listed expenses for your residence on lines 4 and 5 of this form. You listed the expenses for your rental and business property as part of the process of determining your net income from that property on *Schedule I* (line 8a).

If you have nothing to report for a line, write \$0.

If, after filing *Schedule J*, you need to file an estimate of expenses in a chapter 13 case for a date after your bankruptcy, you may complete a supplemental *Schedule J*. To do so you must check the "supplement" box at the top of the form and fill in the date.