

## **Expense Estimator**

Use the worksheet below to list your expenses. Decide if the expense is non-discretionary or discretionary.

Non-Discretionary Expenses are expenses you must pay, you have no choice. This includes: taxes, statutory deductions like EI, and CPP, child support, spousal support, and health insurance.

Discretionary Expenses are optional, you choose them. They include family expenses like food, housing, and clothing, as well as car insurance, activity fees, school expenses, entertainment, and travel. Things like food and shelter are not optional, but you choose what you eat and where you live.

Expense	Monthly Amount	Discretionary	Non-Discretionary
Income tax			
Canada Pension Plan			
Employment			
Employment Insurance			
Life Insurance			
Health Insurance			
Child support			
Spousal support			
Housing			
Rent/mortgage			







Property taxes		
Insurance		
Maintenance		
Utilities		
Cable/Phone/Internet		
Furnishings		
Pet care		
Food (home)		
Food (out)		
Clothing		
Transportation		
Car loan/lease		
Insurance		
Gas		
Maintenance		







Personal care		
Child care		
Gifts		
Vacations		
Tuition fees		
Recreation/entertain ment		
Savings/investment		
Debt payments		
TOTAL EXPENSES		

