

# Did You Pay Rent Last Year? Claim Your Credit!



## What do I need to claim the credit?

You need a copy of your Certificate of Rent Paid (CRP).

- Your property owner or managing agent must give you a CRP no later than January 31, 2026
- You will receive one CRP for each unit you rented during the year

## How do I claim the credit?

You claim the credit by filing Form M1, *Individual Income Tax Return*. You must include a copy of your CRPs, or your refund may be delayed or denied.

- **Electronically:** Use tax software to file your Minnesota income tax return online.
- **By mail:** Go to [www.revenue.state.mn.us](http://www.revenue.state.mn.us) to download and complete Form M1, Schedule M1REF, and Schedule M1RENT. Mail us your completed return and include copies of all your CRPs from the past year.

## When do I file?

You must file by **April 15, 2026**, to avoid penalties. If you are not required to file income tax, you have 3 ½ years from this date to claim the renter's credit. For more information, go to [www.revenue.state.mn.us](http://www.revenue.state.mn.us) and enter Tribal Members into the Search box. or call 651-296-3781 or 1-800-652-9094. You may call the Minnesota Department of Revenue's Tribal Liaison, Dawn Blanchard, at 651-556-6216.

## Common Concerns for the Renter's Credit

### Do I still qualify if my rental unit is on trust land?

No, because trust land is exempt from Minnesota property tax. You may still qualify if your rental unit is on fee land. If you are unsure if your unit is on trust land or fee land, contact your county assessor's office.

### I did not get a CRP or need mine corrected.

Contact your property owner or managing agent and ask to correct or provide your CRP. If they do not, call us at 651-296-3781 or 1-800-652-9094.

### My income was less than my rent paid.

You can still claim the credit. When you file your Minnesota income tax return, you must include an explanation of how you received the funds to pay your rent. This also applies if line 1 of Schedule M1RENT does not equal your federal adjusted gross income from line 1 of Form M1.

### I have other questions.

If you have questions about the Renter's Credit or the new CRP process, visit our website at [www.revenue.state.mn.us](http://www.revenue.state.mn.us) and enter **Renter's Credit** into the Search box.