

## Basic Outline for Monthly Expenses

### **Rental / Mortgage / Household**

Rent / Mortgage  
*How long have you lived there*  
*Does payment include Taxes & Insurance*  
*Who else lives there*  
*Any place to move*

Repairs  
*Major repairs*  
*Ordinary maintenance*

Yard Maintenance  
*Frequency (Is it Summer or Winter)*

Maid / Cleaning  
*Is this a new item*  
*Has frequency changed*

Pool Service  
*Time of year*  
*Has frequency changed*

Utilities (Water / Electric / Gas / Trash)  
*Are they unusually high*

Phone (Basic & Optional Services)  
*Extra Phone Line*

Cell Phone  
*Is this Necessary*  
*Is usage more than reasonable*

Long Distance  
*Unusually High*  
*Who is called*  
*Can this be cut down*

Cable / Satellite Television  
Internet Access

### **Food / Groceries**

At Home  
*Quiz about cooking and eating at home if a custody case*

Eating out alone or with friends  
*Where does Witness eat out*

Eating out with children  
*Look for nutrition*

### **Clothes**

Client  
*Look for large expenditures*

Children  
*School Uniforms (would cut down on school clothes)*

### **Shoes**

Shoe Repair  
Alterations

### **Transportation**

Car Payments  
*Company Car*  
*Employment*  
*Lease car (when is term up)*

Gas & Oil  
Repairs  
Parking

### **Medical (Out of Pocket)**

Doctor: Client / Children  
*Anyone have recurrent medical problems*

Dentist: Client / Children

Optometrist: Client / Children

Therapy: Client / Children

Physical Therapy: Client / Children

Drugs / Prescriptions: Client / Children

Medical Insurance Premium

*Does company pay for Insurance*

Dental Insurance Premium

### **Laundry**

Laundry  
Dry Cleaning

### **Insurance**

Automobile  
Home Owner's (Is this included in Mortgage payment)

Renter's

Life  
*Employment benefit*  
*Cash value*

*Beneficiary change*

Disability

### **Incidentals**

Cosmetics  
Hair and Beauty Care  
Subscriptions (Magazines / Newspapers)  
Dues  
Pets  
Bank Charges  
Church / Synagogue Contributions  
TV / Appliance Repair  
Non-prescription medication  
Sundries (Are these included in grocery amounts)

### **Children**

Allowance  
School Lunches  
Summer Camp  
Private School  
Nursery School  
Child Care  
Lessons  
Extra-curricular (not school affiliated) activities  
*Uniforms, Fees, Equipment, etc.*  
School activities: dances, sports, cheerleading, etc.  
Tutors

### **Other Debts**

Installment Contracts  
Monthly Charge Accounts (Are minimums reflected)