NO-COST MINNESOTA ID CARD FOR YOUTH EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS

What You Need to Know

• You can get a no-cost standard Minnesota ID card if you are 24 years old or younger and experiencing homelessness. This is not a driver’s license and does not give you the authority to drive.

• There is no minimum age for obtaining a standard Minnesota ID.
  — The card expires every four years on the cardholder’s date of birth.
  — If you are under 21 years of age when you obtain your first card, you need to renew the identification card on or before your 21st birthday.

• Important to know: Beginning May 3, 2023 federal requirements for REAL-ID take effect. You will not be able to use the standard ID card to board domestic flights or enter certain federal buildings.
How to Apply for a No-Cost Standard Minnesota ID Card

- Apply in person at a regional DVS exam station, deputy registrar or driver’s license agent office that accepts first time applications.
  - Your application includes having your photo taken.
  - A parent does not need to sign the application.

- Office locations and service information are available on the DPS-DVS website drive.mn.gov. Select office locations from the DVS information panel or call 651-297-2005.

- **Documents required:**
  - **Your birth certificate.** A birth certificate from another state is acceptable. You can get a free 6-month temporary birth certificate from the Minnesota Department of Health if you were born in Minnesota and do not have access to your birth certificate.
    - Email: vitalrecords@state.mn.us
    - Phone: 651-201-5970
    - Website: www.health.state.mn.us/people/vitalrecords/birth.html
  - **Eligibility Verification for Homeless Youth ID Card form** signed by a human services agency employee, school staff, or school social worker. The form is available at drive.mn.gov, select DVS Documents, Manuals, and Forms from the DVS information panel.

Need to Replace Your Minnesota ID Card?

If your ID card has been lost or stolen or you need to change your address:

- Visit a regional DVS exam station, deputy registrar or driver’s license agent office to apply for a replacement.
- There is no cost if you provide a new Eligibility Verification for Homeless Youth ID Card form signed by Human Services Agency employee, school staff, or school social worker.
- You do not need to submit another copy of your birth certificate.

This is a new service offered by the Department of Public Safety Driver and Vehicle Services division under Minnesota Statutes, section 171.07, subdivision 3b. Offices have received information and training; however, providing this fact sheet may be useful. Go to drive.mn.gov: type YEH in the help chat to learn more.