



Western Cape
Government

FOR YOU

Human Settlements



DISCOUNT BENEFIT SCHEME (DBS) PROGRAMME





1 WHAT YOU GET

This programme promotes home ownership of pre-1994 government-owned rental housing (municipal and provincial). You may qualify for this programme if you have been renting a government property since pre-1994.

R0 - R3 500	The entire debt is written off.
R3 501 - R7 000	R7 500 + 50% of the debt is written off.
R7 001 - R15 000	A maximum of R7 500 is written off.



2 WHAT YOU NEED TO QUALIFY

You qualify for this programme if:

- You are registered on the housing demand database at your nearest municipality.
- You have a rental lease agreement or contract with a municipality or the Provincial Department.
- You have outstanding rental debt with the municipality or Provincial Department.
- You have not previously benefitted from any government housing subsidies or programmes.
- Your monthly household income is between R0 - R15 000 before deductions.
- You are not the registered tenant but can prove that you have a contract with the registered tenant, or have regularly paid the rental.

Please note that priority will be given to applicants who are either 35 years or older, or have special needs (e.g. disabled persons).



3 HOW TO APPLY

Visit your nearest municipality to apply for this subsidy.