

## Paying the Rent—On Time, Every Month

When using the payment calendar system, each payment should be written on the due date along with who must be paid and how much. The sample below lists the due dates and costs for rent and utilities. The calendar is also used to track income – paydays and the amount earned. As illustrated in the sample, to keep expenses throughout the month as even as possible, set aside money from each paycheck to cover the rent and spread the remaining payments for other expenses out over the month.

Tip: Write down how monthly bills will be paid before spending ANY money.

In this example, the \$450 rent divided by 4 (number of paychecks) = \$112.50. Set aside this amount from each paycheck.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Rent due \$450	2	3	4	5	Payday \$240 \$112.50 for rent	7
8	9	10 Cable due \$45	11	12	Payday \$240 \$112.50 for rent	14
15	16	Heat and electric due \$65	18	19	20 Payday \$240 \$112.50 for rent	21
22	23	24 Phone due \$40	25	26	27 Payday \$240 \$112.50 for rent	28
29	30	31	1 Rent due \$450			

