

Expense Guide



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Total Saved: \$12,500

Destination City: Los Angeles

Fixed Monthly Costs	
Category	Amount
Rent (One Bedroom)	\$1,500.00
Renter's Insurance	\$25
Utilities (Gas, Electric, Water, Trash)	\$150
Car Payment	\$400
Car Insurance	\$125
Auto (Gas, Maintenance, Parking)	\$300
Internet/TV	\$50
Cell Phone	\$60
Groceries	\$350
Personal Care (Haircuts, Gym)	\$75
Health Insurance (Medical, Vision, Dental)	\$435
Student Loans	\$350
Credit Card Payment	\$200
Total	\$4020

Variable Monthly Costs	
Category	Amount
Clothing	\$100
Entertainment (Movies, Netflix, etc.)	\$50
Eating Out	\$100
Generosity (Charity, Giving, etc.)	\$100
Oh, Darn (Parking Tickets, etc.)	\$50
Savings	\$100
Total	\$500

Acting/Career Monthly Costs	
Category	Amount
Classes/Lessons (<i>Check out AFA!</i>)	\$300
Commissions	\$100
Headshots (yearly cost divided monthly)	\$33
Marketing (mailing/website)	\$30
Networking	\$50
Reel Footage	\$50
Submission Services	\$10
Union Dues (yearly cost divided monthly)	\$20
Total	\$593

Sample Expense Guide Total \$5113

Don't Freak Out!

This expense guide was built off a single person living in an apartment by themselves. Get creative! It's possible to lower your monthly figure considerably if you have roommates, own your own car, or have no credit card debt. Be willing to live frugally, even uncomfortably, for the first little while... and you can make almost anything work.



[TIP] Shop Around! A city like Los Angeles is a huge, sprawling, diverse city. Because of this, rental prices will widely vary based on what areas you research. Be sure to do your homework to see what fits your budget financially, but also to research the relatively safety of the areas as well.

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