Mortgage Modification Document Check List

Please use this checklist to ensure you have all of the information you will need when you speak to your mortgage lender or a housing counselor for a mortgage modification. You may also need these items even if you decide to use a different option:

Your most recent IRS income tax return with all schedules and W-2 forms
Two most recent bank statements
Two most recent pay stubs (if you receive them) or documentation of income you receive from other sources
One monthly mortgage statement that shows your mortgage lender information and the mortgage loan account number
Account information about any other mortgages on your home, if applicable (i.e. a second or third mortgage)
Current account balances and minimum monthly payment requirements on all of your credit cards
Current account balances and monthly payment amounts on any other debts (e.g. auto loans, student loans, personal loans, etc.)
A household budget or, at minimum, estimates of all other monthly expenditures, such as utility bills, insurance, food expenditures, gas, entertainment, etc.
A hardship letter describing the circumstances that caused the financial distress that led to this point, whether it's a decrease in your income or an increase in your expenses