



Dear expectant mother,

even during the corona crisis you have the opportunity, to receive financial assistance from the Federal Foundation Mother and Child when you are in a difficult financial situation. You get further information about the Federal Foundation (e.g. requirements for receiving financial assistance) in several languages here:

<https://www.bundesstiftung-mutter-und-kind.de/>

According to current protective measures against the new coronavirus, the Federal Foundation Mother and Child changed the application process temporarily. Nevertheless it is still necessary to file the application for financial support at a pregnancy counselling service. Relating to the special situation, consultation in our counselling service in Plettenberg is currently performed by phone. On the phone we answer all your questions about the application and you have also the opportunity to get psychosocial counselling.

You can phone our pregnancy counselling service from Monday to Friday at 09.00 - 12.00 o'clock and in addition to that from Monday to Thursday at 13.00 - 16.00 o'clock. This is our telephonenumber:

02391/9540-25

At first you will talk to one of our secretaries. They will arrange a telephone appointment with one of our consultants.

For the application you need the following documents:

- Your **maternal health passport** (that is the document you got from your doctor at the first early detection examination)
- **Proof of income** (depending on where you get your money from, you need payslips from the last three months, documents from Jobcenter or Sozialamt; you need also the documents of your partner)
- **Bank statements** for the past three months (you need also the bank statements of your partner, if you do not have a joint bank account)
- **Apartment rental agreement**
- Your **Passport**

Please have this documents ready when you call the consultants. We will complete the application by telephone and discuss the further process. After that we will send you the application by post, so you can sign it. We also need copies of the necessary documents.

You can either send us copies of the necessary documents by post. This is our adress:

**Schwangerenberatungsstelle des Diakonischen Werkes
Bahnhofstraße 25
58840 Plettenberg**

Or you send us photos of the necessary documents by email:

sekretariat-pbst@diakonie-luedenscheid-plettenberg.de

Further Information:

In the telephone appointments you have the opportunity to talk English or German with your consultant. If it is – due to language barriers – too difficult for you to get the application done by telephone, we will try to develop other individual solutions together. Nevertheless a direct personal contact is not possible at the moment. Maybe you know someone who can translate for you at the phone.