

**Required documents for persons visiting Family
who want to stay with them and whose cost of stay is covered by the host:**

Only direct relatives (Grandmother/ Grandfather/ Mother/ Father/ Son/ Daughter/ Brother/ Sister/ Grandson/ Granddaughter/ Uncle/ Aunt) **can cover the cost of stay.**

The applicant must submit documents proving relationship (Marriage, Birth certificate, etc.)

YOU MAY PROVIDE:

1. A Formal Obligation “**Verpflichtungserklärung**” issued by the competent local alien’s office. It can be obtained by the host from the local municipality in Germany.

OR

ALL OF THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS:

1. Written and signed Invitation Letter from a family member containing the host and guest names, address and duration of stay, host contact details and some other information (if any) depending on the case
2. Copy of family member’s National Passport
3. Copy of German ID of the family member (or Residence Permit if he/she is not a German national) with the registration address where the applicant is going to stay
4. Proof of employment for the family member - Letter of Employment

OR

Family member’s personal bank account statements (currency must be in USD/Euro) for the last 3 months from a US, German bank or other nationally recognized European bank (Savings & Checking account): **Bank statements shall show current balance.**