How to Re-establish Your Identity

Apply for a Social Security Card
www.ssa.gov/ssnumber/
It’s free - go in person
One HSBC Plaza, Suite 1400, 100 Chestnut St., Rochester, NY 14604
Open Monday thru Friday 9AM-3PM (except holidays), Thursdays 9AM-12PM.
1-800-772-1213, TTY 1-800-325-0778
You need: Proof of Age, government issued photo ID, Proof of Citizenship
(See following page for examples of proof)
You can use one document for two purposes. For example, they can use your US Passport to prove both citizenship and identity.
You must, however, provide two separate documents.

Apply for a NYS non driver ID Card
http://dmv.ny.gov/id-card/bget-non-driver-id-card-ndid
You must apply at a local DMV office. To find a local office go to http://dmv.ny.gov/offices.
1-518-486-9786.
You need:
6 points of proof to get a license. Visit the web site to identify points)
A Social Security Card (REQUIRED - 2pts),
Original birth certificate as proof of date of birth (0 pts for proof of identity but you do need it),
Proof of Residence (2 required), & proof of citizenship.
All documents for both a Social Security card and a NYS “non driver license” must either be originals or copies certified by the issuing agency.
Photocopies are not accepted.

Apply for a Birth Certificate
www2.monroecounty.gov/health-VitalRecords.php
For births in Monroe County contact the Office for Vital Records, 111 Westfall Rd., Rm. 149, Rochester, NY 14620.
Phone: (585) 753-5141 Fax: (585) 753-5961. Hours: 8:30 AM until 4:25 PM (Wednesdays 8:30 AM to 6:30 PM).
Note: This office only has records for births in Monroe County. The cost is $30 for residents. Information on micro-loans is available at the Judicial Process Commission. Please see the Judicial Process Commission insert in the folder for more information.
ID Requirements (must have 1 of the following): Driver’s License, State issued non-driver photo ID card, Passport, or U.S. Military issued photo ID. If you don’t have any of these, any of the following 2 documents that include your name and address will work: Utility or phone bills, Letter from a government agency dated within the last 6 months. For births outside Monroe County, contact that County office directly.

Useful Tip:
Always have any current phone bill, bank records, etc. with you. Anything that makes you “real.”

Commonly accepted proof of identity includes
any government issued photo ID, such as:
Drivers or Non-Drivers license
US Military Photo ID Card
Certificate of Naturalization (Form N550, N570)
Certificate of Citizenship (Form N560, N561)
Welfare/Medicaid/NY Food Stamp Card WITH PHOTO

**Also acceptable are:**
Work or School ID cards WITH PHOTO and/or transcript

**Commonly accepted proof of date of birth:**
Previously issued, undamaged U.S. Passport
Consular Report of Birth Abroad or Certification of Birth
US Military Photo ID Card
Certificate of Naturalization (Form N550, N570)
Certificate of Citizenship (Form N560, N561)

**Commonly accepted proof of citizenship:**
Previously issued, undamaged U.S. Passport
Certified birth certificate issued by the city, county or state
Consular Report of Birth Abroad or Certification of Birth
Certificate of Naturalization (Form N550, N570)
Certificate of Citizenship (Form N560, N561)

**Commonly accepted proof of residence:**
Current Official Mail with current address (Bills, mail from state or federal governments, etc.)
Official Documents with current address (Car title, etc.)
Certificate of Residence