



Emergency Allotments Will Continue for SNAP Households in January

RICHMOND, VA (January 5, 2022) – [Virginia’s Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program](#) (SNAP) has received federal approval to release emergency benefits to eligible households in January. These enhanced benefits will be automatically loaded to recipients’ Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) cards on **Monday, January 16**.

The enhanced SNAP benefit is made available through a public health emergency declaration that requires government agencies to request an extension of emergency allotment issuances on a month-to-month basis. Future benefit allotments are dependent upon this monthly approval process and are subject to change.

The emergency allotments temporarily raise existing SNAP households’ monthly benefit amount to the maximum allowable based on household size as follows:

SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TEMPORARY MAXIMUM MONTHLY ALLOTMENTS

Maximum Monthly SNAP Allotments for 48 States and D.C.

Household Size	Maximum Allotment
1	\$281
2	\$516
3	\$740
4	\$939
5	\$1,116
6	\$1,339
7	\$1,480
8	\$1,691
Each additional person	\$211

SNAP participants can contact their [local department of social services](#) or visit [CommonHelp](#) for questions or account information. Additional information about SNAP and other assistance programs can be found at dss.virginia.gov/benefit/.

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