

NOTICE TO FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICES RECIPIENTS

Effective January 1, 2021

The COVID-19 Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 has made changes to the Food and Nutrition Services Program (FNS). One or more of the changes may affect the amount of benefits you receive, effective January 1, 2021.

The maximum benefit amount for households receiving Food and Nutrition Services will increase by 15% for the period of January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021. This increase will end on June 30, 2021 and benefit amounts will return to their current levels.

You have the right to a fair hearing of your case if you do not agree with our decision. You can request a fair hearing by letting your local county department of social services know of your request. You may request the hearing in person, by telephone, or in writing. The hearing may be requested by any member of your Food and Nutrition Services unit or by your representative, including an attorney obtained at your own expense. Free legal advice may be available. Contact your nearest Legal Services Office.

You have 90 calendar days from January 1, 2021 to ask for a hearing. If you do not ask for a hearing by 04/01/2021, you cannot have one.

To find out what your benefits are, Download the ebtEDGE mobile app. The app is available as a free download on the [Apple Store](#) and [Google Play](#) or call Customer Service at 1-888-622-7328 on the day you normally receive benefits.

If you have any other questions about these changes, contact your local Department of Social Services.