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“Matagaluega Tautua ma Alagamanuia mo Tagata Lautele”

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**AMATA I LE ASŌ, UA TOE TATALA LE MĀLO FETERALE MA O
LE A FA'AATOATO A LE AOFA'IGA MASANI I LE 100% O PEPA
TAUMAF A MO NOVEMA, ATOA MA MASINA O I LUMA.**

Ofisa o le Fa'atonu Sili o le Matāgaluega o Tautua ma Alagamanuia mo Tagata Lautele, Aso Tofi, Novema 13, 2025 – Ina ua sainia e le Afioga i le Peresitene ia Donald J. Trump se pili fa'atulafono ina ia mafai ona fa'atupe ma toe tatalina le Malō Feterale e amata atu i le aso nei, Novema 13, 2025.

Fa'asoa mai e le Fa'atonu Sili ia Panisia Neueli “E fiafia lava le agaga e fa'ailoa atu i le mamalu o le atunu'u o lo'o 'auai i le Polokalama mo Pepa Taumafa i Amerika Samoa (American Samoa Nutrition Assistance Program (ASNAP)) o le a toe fa'aatoatoa penefiti o pepa taumafa mo le masina o Novema. Ma o le a toe fo'i le aofo'iga o penefiti o food stamp mo Amerika Samoa i ona tulaga masani e pei ona fa'atulagaina mo le tausaga fa'aletupe 2026, sa amata ia Oketopa 1, 2025.”

E tusa ma se fa'asilasilaga sa māua i le asō mai i le Matāgaluega o Fa'ato'aga a le Mālo o Amerika (U.S. Department of Agriculture, USDA) e ala i le ofisa e tā'ua o le Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), e ao ona galulue Sitete ma Teritori ina ia toe vave fa'aatoatoa le aofo'iga o penefiti o pepa taumafa mo e o lo'o agava'a ma ua uma ona piki le 65% sa fa'ataga mai i le amataga o le masina o Novema.

Ma o lea, ua amata i le asō (Novema 13, 2025) le tufatufaina atu o pepa taumafai le 100% o le aofo'iga e tusa ai ma lou agava'a i le polokalama fesoasoani mo taumafa. 'Ae o le a fa'aauau i le tatou fa'asologa (schedule) e pei ona iai nei.

Talosaga atu le Fa'atonu ia Neueli, “Fa'amolemole, mo ē ua mǎe'a ona piki a latou pepa taumafa i le 65%, o le a toe fa'ailoa atu i le Aso Faraile (Novema 14, 2025) le fa'asologa (schedule) fou ma ona mata'itusi ina ia mafai ona piki le paleni (35%). Fa'amolemole ina ia tausisi le tatou fa'asologa ina ia vave ona fa'ao'o atu le tautua a le 'aufaigaluega.”

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people we serve.”*

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E momoli atu lava le fa'afetai tele i le paia ma le mamalu sa galulue ina ia toe fa'aauau atoatoa tautua ma 'au'aunaga a Polokalama 'ese'ese, atoa ma le tatou ASNAP. E tumau pea le agaga fa'afetai i le ta'ita'i a le WRO a le FNS, le Susūga ia Muzafar Makhdoomi ma lona ofisa atoa mo le sapaapaia pea o le Polokalama mo Pepa Taumafa i Amerika Samoa.

Fa'afetai atu fo'i i le Afioga i le Kovana Sili ia Pulaali'i, le Afioga i le Sui Kovana ia Pulumataala mo le tauata'i, 'ae maise fo'i le fesoasoani mai i taumafaiga uma a le Matāgaluega Tautua ma Alāgamanuia mo Tagata Lautele.

Fa'amolemole, vala'au mai i le Ofisa o le ASNAP i le 633-7720 mo ni fesili. Ma le fa'aaloalo tele. Fa'afetai.

PRESS RELEASE

WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT NOW OPEN, ASNAP/ FOOD STAMP ISSUANCE IS RESTORED TO 100% STARTING TODAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2025, AND FULL BENEFIT LEVELS WILL REMAIN MOVING FORWARD.

Department of Human and Social Services (DHSS) Director's Office, Thursday, November 13, 2025 – With the approval by Governor Pulaali'I Nikolao Pula and Lt. Governor Pulumataala Ae Ae Jr, DHSS Director Panisia Neueli is pleased to announce, when President Donald J. Trump signed into law the Fiscal Year 2026 Appropriations Act, opening the federal government, we received updated guidance from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service (USDA FNS) Western Regional Office (WRO) this morning. This guidance confirms that the American Samoa Nutrition Assistance Program (ASNAP/ Food Stamp) benefit levels for November to 100%. Therefore, all ASNAP recipients who are picking up their benefits today through November 20th, according to our current schedule will receive 100% of your authorized ASNAP benefit level.

Director Neueli added, "For ASNAP participants who picked up your benefits from November 6th – 12th at 65%, please note that we will issue a new schedule tomorrow, Friday 11/14/2025, for when you can come to the ASNAP office to pick up the remaining 35% balance, also referred to as 'restoration'. We kindly ask that participants keep to your assigned dates for our restoration schedule so our ASNAP team can better serve you."

The latest USDA FNS guidance also confirms that ASNAP benefit levels will remain at 100% from this point forward.

We want to extend our deepest appreciation to everyone who worked tirelessly to reopen the federal government and restore programs and services that our communities depend on, like our ASNAP or Food Stamp benefits. DHSS remains thankful to the FNS WRO Regional Administrator

Muzafar Makhdoomi and his team for their steadfast support for American Samoa's supplemental food assistance programs.

Feel free to call the ASNAP Office at 633-7720 if you have any questions. Thank you very much.