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PRESS RELEASE

UPDATE: FEDERAL GOVERNMENT LIFTS SUSPENSION OF SNAP BENEFITS AT REDUCED RATES (50%) FOR NOVEMBER, ALLOWING FOR ASNAP/ FOOD STAMP ISSUANCE TO START ON NOVEMBER 6, 2025.

DHSS Director's Office, Tuesday, November 4, 2025 – Based on the latest memorandum received from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service (USDA FNS) Western Regional Office (WRO), Director Panisia Neueli is happy to share that the federal government has approved for states and territories to issue one-half or 50% of the approved food stamp benefit levels. Therefore, starting November 6, at 8:00 AM, the ASNAP office will issue reduced benefits as follows:

- Participants who normally receive a maximum of \$177, will be issued \$89.00.
- Participants who normally receive a maximum of \$149, will be issued \$75.00.
- Participants who normally receive a maximum of \$127, will be issued \$64.00.
- Participants who normally receive a maximum of \$109, will be issued \$55.00.
- Participants who normally receive a maximum of \$94, will be issued \$47.00.

*“Providing the best
possible services for the
people we serve.”*

DHSS Director Panisia Neueli thanks all ASNAP participants for your continued patience while we maintain communications with the WRO with the hope of restoring ASNAP benefits to their normal levels as soon as possible. Director Neueli also added, “We are grateful to the WRO Regional Administrator Muzafar Makhdoomi and his team for their continued guidance and support as Congress works toward an equitable and more permanent solution.”

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Please note that the mass issuance schedule has been adjusted to account for the days in November we missed so that issuance encompasses 10 business days, as per usual. Your cooperation with the schedule below is appreciated.

We will provide additional updates as they become available through our ASNAP Facebook page and through other media platforms and partners. Thank you.

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Date:	Approved ASNAP participants with last names beginning with letters (mata'itusi amata o fa'ai'u o i latou ua talia talosaga) -
<i>Thursday, (Aso Tofi), November 06, 2025</i>	<i>S only</i>
<i>Friday, (Aso Faraile), November 07, 2025</i>	<i>T only</i>
<i>Monday, (Aso Gafua), November 10, 2025</i>	<i>U, V, W, X, Y, Z</i>
<i>Tuesday, (Aso Lua), November 11, 2025</i>	<i>HOLIDAY</i>
<i>Wednesday, (Aso Lulu), November 12, 2025</i>	<i>A only</i>
<i>Thursday, (Aso Tofi), November 13, 2025</i>	<i>B, C, D, E only</i>
<i>Friday, (Aso Faraile), November 14, 2025</i>	<i>F only</i>
<i>Monday, (Aso Gafua), November 17, 2025</i>	<i>G, H, I, J, K</i>
<i>Tuesday, (Aso Lua), November 18, 2025</i>	<i>L only</i>
<i>Wednesday, (Aso Lulu), November 19, 2025</i>	<i>M only</i>
<i>Thursday, (Aso Tofi), November 20, 2025</i>	<i>N, O, P, Q, R</i>

As always if you miss your assigned day for this revised mass issuance schedule, please feel free to come by the ASNAP Office from November 21 to November 28, 2025 to pick up your approved benefits.

Feel free to call the ASNAP Office should you have any questions regarding the ASNAP at 633-7720/633-7451/633-7851/633-7591.