

April 21, 2020

Mr. Eric Ratchford Regional Director **SNAP Program** USDA/FNS/MARO Mercer Corporate Park 300 Corporate Boulevard Robbinsville, NJ 08691-1518

Dear Mr. Ratchford.

In accordance with the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) April 21, 2020 memorandum on the issuance of additional months of emergency allotments (EA) authorized in the Families First Coronavirus Response Act of 2020, the District of Columbia (the District) Department of Human Services (DHS) Economic Security Administration (ESA) is submitting the requested information to issue allotments to eligible SNAP households for the month of May 2020.

## State/Territory: District of Columbia

- 1. [May] EA Issuance date(s): May 8, May 15, May 22, May 29, and June 5 (Provide exact dates of planned EA issuance for the month or annotate above if the State will be providing EA benefits in accordance with the State's regular issuance schedule.)
- 2. [May] estimate of the number of households and estimated EA amount: Number of households receiving emergency allotment benefits: 44,000 Amount of emergency allotment benefits issued for one month: \$7,342,000
- 3. Confirmation that one or more of the following conditions exists due to COVID-19. (Check all that apply):
  - ✓ Residents of the State are confirmed to have contracted COVID-19
  - Some or all areas of the State are containment or quarantine zones

    Businesses have closed or significantly reduced their hours

  - ✓ The State's residents have experienced economic impacts due to job suspensions or losses
  - ✓ The State's residents have been directed to practice social distancing

## And

✓ The State's emergency or disaster declaration remains active.

All FNS requirements shall remain the same as listed in the initial State approval.

Thank you for your consideration and we look forward to your confirmation. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at <a href="mailto:Anthea.Seymour@dc.gov">Anthea.Seymour@dc.gov</a> or (202) 698-3906.

Sincerely,

Anthea Seymour Administrator

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