

## MONTANAS – FFCRA SNAP Emergency Allotment Request

States must provide the following to their FNS Regional SNAP contact(s) for each month covered by this request.

Montana:

1. [May 2021] EA Issuance date(s):

Montana is using a two-phase approach to issue Emergency Allotments. The first round of Emergency Allotment benefits (using the previous guidance) and the second round (under the new guidance) will be issued to households through a staggered issuance beginning the 4<sup>th</sup> business day of the month based off the last number of their EBT card.

- 0,1 = 04/May/2021
- 2,3 = 05/May/2021
- 4,5 = 06/May/2021
- 6,7 = 07/May/2021
- 8/9 = 08/May/2021

New clients that apply after this issuance window will receive the maximum allowable issuance on the day of their regular SNAP issuance regardless of the date that they apply for SNAP benefits.

2. [May 2021] estimate of the number of households and estimated EA amount:  
Number of households receiving emergency allotment benefits: 47,500  
Amount of emergency allotment benefits issued per month: \$8,120,000.00

3. **Confirmation** that one or more of the following conditions exists due to COVID-19.  
(Check all that apply):

- X Residents of the State are confirmed to have contracted COVID-19
  - X Some or all areas of the State are containment or quarantine zones
  - X Businesses have closed or significantly reduced their hours
  - X The State's residents have experienced economic impacts due to job suspensions or losses
  - X The State's residents have been directed to practice social distancing
- And**
- X The State's emergency or disaster declaration remains active

USDA reserves the right to withdraw or otherwise modify this approval subject to availability of funding.