



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

February 25, 2026

S. Duke Storen
Commissioner
Virginia Department of Social Services
801 East Main Street
Richmond, VA 23219

Dear Principal Deputy Commissioner Ayers:

On February 3, 2026, the Virginia Department of Social Services requested to modify the State Agency's Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Food Restriction Waiver implementation date from April 1, 2026, to October 1, 2026.

Per Virginia's request letter, this modification is intended to provide necessary additional time for the State Agency to align implementation activities with updated administrative priorities and ensure all operational, systems, and stakeholder readiness components are in place.

The Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) approves this modification request. This approval is for 2 years, from October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2028. All other terms and conditions of FNS's December 10, 2025, approval remain in effect.

FNS applauds Virginia and its SNAP team for the significant efforts you have made towards implementation of your SNAP Food Restriction pilot thus far. We look forward to continuing to support your efforts to successfully implement this innovative and impactful project on October 1, 2026.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Patrick A. Penn", written over a circular blue stamp or seal.

PATRICK A. PENN
Acting Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service
Deputy Under Secretary, Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services
U. S. Department of Agriculture

Virginia Project Reporting Schedule

Report	Date Range Covered	Due Date
Year 1, Quarter 1	October 1, 2026 — December 30, 2026	February 13, 2027
Year 1, Quarter 2	December 31, 2026 — March 31, 2027	May 15, 2027
Year 1, Quarter 3	April 1, 2027 — June 30, 2027	August 14, 2027
Year 1, Quarter 4	July 1, 2027 — September 29, 2027	November 13, 2027
Year 2, Quarter 1	September 30, 2027 — December 29, 2027	February 12, 2028
Year 2, Quarter 2	December 30, 2027 — March 29, 2028	May 13, 2028
Year 2, Quarter 3	March 30, 2028 — June 28, 2028	August 12, 2028
Year 2, Quarter 4	June 29, 2028 — September 30, 2028	November 11, 2028
Extension Request	Submitted by March 31, 2028	