WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW STARTING OCTOBER 1ST

As of October 1, 2020, more Michiganders may qualify

for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) due to a recent change granting food, employment and training opportunities for individuals with drug felony convictions.



I was previously denied SNAP benefits. What do I do now?

- If you were previously denied SNAP benefits in Michigan due to felony drug convictions, you're <u>NOW</u> eligible to receive these benefits!
- If you've been denied SNAP benefits due to conviction history, you will need to apply to receive benefits.

How do I apply for SNAP benefits?

Go online to <u>www.michigan.gov/MIBridges</u> to apply! Or call a consumer service representative toll-free at 888-678-8914 or if you need additional assistance, ask CEO staff!



Did you know? Customer service is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, available in English, Spanish and Arabic. If you are deaf, deafblind, hard of hearing or speech-impaired, call the Michigan Relay Center at 7-1-1.

I heard there were increased SNAP benefits available during the Coronavirus pandemic. Is this true?

Yes! The Federal government has approved extending maximum SNAP benefits for families who typically do not receive the maximum amount due as the Coronavirus pandemic continues. (See table below for exact amounts)

BUT if you are currently receiving SNAP benefits, you will automatically receive the additional benefits, so no action is needed. You can check your benefits balance on your Michigan Bridge Card at



<u>www.michigan.gov/MIBridges</u> or make a toll-free call to speak with representative at 888-678-8914.

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If you have NOT been receiving SNAP benefits, you'll need to re-apply.

If you have other questions about the increased benefits, you can ask CEO staff and call or email your caseworker.

Increased benefits range from \$204 per month for an individual to \$969 for a family of six.

The table below shows the maximum allowable benefit for SNAP customers based on household size:

One Person	Two people	<u>Three</u>	Four	<u>Five</u>	Six	<u>Seven</u>	Eight
\$204	\$374	\$535	\$680	\$807	\$969	\$1,071	\$1,224

