Important Changes about the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP or Food Stamps)

Effective October 1, 2021, your SNAP benefit may be changing. Based on the information in your case, you may see an increase or a decrease in your SNAP benefit. Your SNAP eligibility is calculated with different deductions depending on your household's circumstances.

Effective October 1, 2021, the Standard Deduction is increasing for some households. Everyone receives a Standard Deduction. Based on this increase, you may see an increase to your SNAP benefit. Based upon your household size, the following changes will happen with the Standard Deduction

- Household size of one to three will increase from \$167 to \$177
- Household size of four will remain the same at \$181
- Household size of five will remain the same at \$212
- Household size of six or more will remain the same at \$243

Effective October 1, 2021, the Utility allowances are changing. Higher deduction amounts may lead to an increase in SNAP benefits. A lower deduction amount may lead to a SNAP benefit decrease.

- The Standard Utility Allowance is decreasing from \$386 to \$376
- The Without Heating Allowance is decreasing from \$310 to \$274
- The Telephone Only Allowance is decreasing from \$74 to \$54
- The Homeless Allowance is increasing from \$156.74 to \$159.73

Effective October 1, 2021, your SNAP benefit amount may change. Based on the information in your case, you may see an increase or a decrease in your SNAP benefit. Go to http://jobs.utah.gov/customereducation/services/foodstamps/qualify.html on October 1 to view the new income limits. Increased income limits could mean your household is eligible for SNAP benefits.

You may apply at any time online at **jobs.utah.gov/myCase**.

