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Oregon will provide an additional $60 million in extra SNAP benefits in April and May

The Oregon Department of Human Services (DHS) announced today that the Oregon Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) will provide an additional $30 million each for the months of April and May 2020 to all eligible SNAP households.

“Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Oregonians are facing unprecedented economic instability and food insecurity,” said DHS Director Fariborz Pakseresht. “This emergency assistance will help address the food needs our neighbors and communities are suddenly facing.”

SNAP households will automatically receive the additional allotment in the same way they receive their current benefits. For most customers this is an EBT card. The additional benefit amount will be disbursed on the schedule below to all eligible SNAP households.

Month	Day	Description of household receiving emergency allotment
April	10	Current SNAP households not receiving the SNAP maximum allotment
	29	New SNAP customers who did not receive the April 10 allotment and are not receiving the maximum benefit
May	8	Current SNAP households not receiving the SNAP maximum allotment
	28	New SNAP customers who did not receive the April 10 allotment and are not receiving the maximum benefit

No additional action is needed from Oregonians already enrolled in SNAP. Households that already receive the maximum benefit will not receive any additional benefits.

The table below shows the maximum SNAP benefits based on the number of eligible people in the household.

Household size	Max SNAP benefit

1	$194
2	$355
3	$509
4	$646
5	$768
Each additional person	+$146

This allotment will not permanently change a household's monthly benefit amount. It is a temporary supplement to help during the current health crisis. DHS will not be sending individual notices to households about the emergency allotments.

Questions?

Learn how to apply for SNAP and other benefits online or by phone at https://www.oregon.gov/DHS/COVID-19/Pages/Home.aspx.

SNAP customers can contact their local DHS SSP or AAA office for more information. Find a local office at: oregon.gov/DHS/Offices/Pages/index.aspx

For other ways to connect with DHS, contact 211info:

- By calling 2-1-1 from any phone
- Text your zip code to 898211
- By email at help@211info.org
- 211info.org

Find other food resources at https://oregonhunger.org/covid-19/.

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