

Dept. of Health Services: More than 205,000 Wisconsin households to receive additional October FoodShare benefits in response to COVID-19 pandemic

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The public health emergency declared by Governor Tony Evers on September 22 enables the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) to once again provide additional FoodShare benefits to eligible households. These benefits will help those Wisconsin families with the costs of food for October. Also, the federal government increased the limits of how much each household can receive per person, beginning October 1.

Under the federal Families First Coronavirus Response Act, states with declared public health emergencies are able to provide FoodShare recipients with the maximum monthly benefit amount that is based on the number of people in their household. Wisconsin families previously received emergency benefits in March, April, May, July, August, and September. There were no emergency benefits in June because the state did not have a declared public health emergency at that time.

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