

EES Policy No. 25-12-11	RE: Countable ABAWD Month Removed – Federal Shutdown
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On November 12, 2025, President Donald J. Trump signed into law the Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act of 2026, which included funding for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) for federal fiscal year 2026.

Due to the uncertainty of November benefits, Food and Nutrition Service instructed all States to not apply countable months for time-limited participants for November 2025. Based on this guidance, November 2025 countable ABAWD months applied for Food Assistance participants will be removed through an automated data fix.

For any November benefits authorized after 12/01/2025, that would normally have a countable month applied for November 2025 due to “Did not meet work/training requirement,” no record for November 2025 will be added to the time limit page. All other months should be added per normal policy and process. Add standard journal entry text below to journal.

Standard Copy and Paste Text:

Per FNS instruction, November 2025 will not be a countable month for ABAWDs due to the federal government shutdown. “Did not meet work/training requirement” was not applied for November 2025 on the time limit page.