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<b>Distribution Date:</b>	February 16, 2021
<b>To:</b>	PPOC.All; Committee.CalWORKs_CalFresh.All; Consortium.RegionalManagers.All
<b>CIT Name:</b>	<b>CA-223719/CIV-108501 CalFresh Emergency Allotments for January 2021 List Posted</b>
<b>From:</b>	CalSAWS Project

PPOCs, please forward to the appropriate impacted staff in your county:

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Description:	<p><b>Purpose</b> The purpose of this CIT is to notify LRS and C-IV counties that lists for SCRs CA-223719/CIV-108501 CalFresh Emergency Allotments for January List Posted pertaining to emergency CalFresh (CF) have been posted to the CalSAWS Web Portal.</p> <p><b>Background</b> To increase food benefits in response to COVID-19 and its effects on the economy, California was approved to provide CF emergency allotments to eligible CF and TCF households. CDSS communicated the approval of CalFresh emergency allotments for the following benefit months:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>March and April 2020 CalFresh emergency allotments through <a href="#">ACWDL dated April 2, 2020 (CalFresh Implementation Of The Families First Coronavirus Response Act: CalFresh Emergency Allotments)</a></li> <li>May 2020 CalFresh emergency allotments through <a href="#">ACWDL dated 05/21/2020</a></li> <li>June 2020 CalFresh emergency allotments through <a href="#">ACDWL dated 05/21/2020</a> July 2020 CalFresh emergency allotments through <a href="#">ACWDL dated 06/23/2020</a></li> </ul>
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- August 2020 CalFresh emergency allotments through [ACWDL dated 08/03/2020](#)
- September 2020 CalFresh emergency allotments through [ACWDL dated 08/24/2020](#)
- October 2020 CalFresh emergency allotments through [ACWDL dated 9/29/2020](#)
- November 2020 CalFresh emergency allotments through [ACWDL dated 10/30/2020](#)
- December 2020 CalFresh emergency allotments through [ACWDL dated 11/30/2020](#)
- January 2021 CalFresh emergency allotments through [ACWDL dated 01/04/2020](#)

All CF and TCF households not already at the maximum allowable allotment based on household size are eligible to receive a CF emergency allotment. Example: A household of 2 received \$150 in CalFresh in April 2020 received a \$205 CF emergency allotment on May 9<sup>th</sup> to bring them up to the maximum allotment amount of \$355 for 2 people.

CF households that previously received the maximum allowable allotment based on household size are not eligible to receive CF emergency allotments.

SCRs CA-223719/CIV-108501 CalFresh Emergency Allotments for January 2021 List Posted was implemented on 02/13/2021. This SCR issued emergency CalFresh benefits to CalFresh (CF) Households who had not already received the maximum benefit allotment for the **November 2020, December 2020, and January 2021 benefit months.**

#### **Additional Information**

CalSAWS implemented an automated process to issue the CF emergency allotments for eligible CF and TCF households. The automated process raised each household's regular monthly CF allotment to the maximum allowable allotment based on the household size.

Previously, the CF emergency allotments were issued as a 'Supplemental Disaster CalFresh' (Supp DCFP) benefit type on the household's EBT card. However, **with SCR CA-218299/CIV-107689 and moving forward, the emergency allotments will be issued as 'Emergency Allotment Food Benefits' (CF03) benefit type.**

An automated journal entry was added to all cases receiving a CF emergency allotment.

- November 2020, December 2020 and January 2021 benefit month emergency allotments generated on February 13<sup>th</sup> are available to the recipient as of February 14<sup>th</sup>.

Users will be able to view these emergency allotments on the 'Issuance Detail' page as 'Emergency Allotment' in the Subcategory field; they will also be visible on the 'CalFresh EDBC Summary' page. Since the CF emergency allotments are issued as an Emergency Allotment (CF03) benefit type, County users are not able to issue these emergency allotments through the system manually.

	<p>Cases that receive a Validation/Submission error can be found on the 'Issuance Exception Report' and will need to have action taken to avoid a duplicate error in the next run.</p> <p><b>NOTE: The next CF emergency allotment batch issuance will occur of March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021.</b> This run will include the first emergency allotment issuance for February 2021, the 2<sup>nd</sup> issuance for January 2021, and the 3<sup>rd</sup> and final issuance for December 2020.</p> <p><b>County Action</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Per your county policy, review the lists of cases that have been affected by the implementation of CA-223719/CIV-108501 CalFresh Emergency Allotments for January List Posted. The lists can be found at the below location: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. [REDACTED]</li> </ol> <p>If case updates are made; based on your county policy add a Journal entry to document case action taken.</p> </li> <li>2. Validation/Submission Errors must be actioned according to existing County Processes to ensure they are picked up during the February automated process.</li> </ol>
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Web Portal Link:	<p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>OR</p> <p>You may also retrieve the CIT document and attachments by following these steps:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Click on the CRFIs &amp; CITs link at the top of the page.</li> <li>2. Click on the "CalSAWS Information Transmittal (CIT)" folder.</li> <li>3. Click on the "2021" folder.</li> <li>4. Click on the appropriate CIT # folder.</li> </ol>