



## SNAP 400 Resources Overview

**Supersedes:** SNAP 400 (10/01/2014)

**References:** 7 CFR 273.8; 7 CFR 273.10(b); 7 CFR 273.12(a)(3)

**Overview:** The filing unit's resource eligibility is determined by evaluating non-excluded resources of each member. All resources owned by these individuals must be evaluated for ownership, accessibility, value, and exclusion status.

Resource eligibility is determined by evaluating the household's current and anticipated circumstances based on reasonable expectations and knowledge of its financial circumstances. The result accurately reflects all facts and the projection of resource eligibility through the certification or six month report period.

### **RESOURCES OF CATEGORICALLY AND EXPANDED CATEGORICALLY ELIGIBLE**

Resources for categorically eligible (CE) and expanded categorically eligible (ECE) individuals and households are excluded (SNAP 304-1).

### **RESOURCE LIMITS**

CE and ECE households do not have to meet the resource test.

Eligibility is denied or terminated if the value of non-excluded assets exceeds the following for non-CE and non-ECE households:

1. \$3,500 for all households with an elderly or disabled member in the assistance unit.
2. \$2,250 for all other households.

### **DATE OF RESOURCE ELIGIBILITY APPLICATION/RECERTIFICATION**

Resources available at the time the household is interviewed are used to make the resource determination. Changes in resources that occur or are reported after the interview but prior to the approval or denial of the application/recertification are disregarded for the month of application.

The changes must be considered in determining resource eligibility for the second month's benefit unless the second month's benefit was already issued or time lines do not allow for an adverse action notice to be sent to the household (SNAP 104-1).

### **CURRENT MONTH INCOME**

Income received in the month is excluded as a resource in the month it is received. If the income is deposited into a bank account, it is excluded as a resource in the month received but is countable for future months.

### **CHIMES**

All resources, even if excluded per policy, are entered in CHIMES. Do not postpone benefits to verify resources for CE or ECE households. Enter all resource data for each filing unit member on appropriate pages. CHIMES processes the source data and displays it on the resource page.

When changes are made to the financial screens, eligibility must be re-determined. If benefits are authorized for the current benefit month, changes to the financial screens will require the eligibility staff member to authorize the changed benefit.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** October 1, 2017