

## What's Changed on 10/12/2021

Change: Cryptocurrency Income and Resources

Change: AZSNAP Allotment Increase

General Information: Forms Update

This page notifies staff and the public of changes to the Cash and Nutrition Assistance Policy (CNAP) Manual regarding policy, procedures, and forms. Reminders and general information may also be displayed on this page. Prior What's Changed pages are listed in [FAA6.R01](#) of the CNAP Manual.

The above list summarizes the information on this page. Within the CNAP Manual, each item listed above links to screens below. This page must be discussed during the weekly [policy dissemination](#) in every office which determines eligibility, reviews eligibility, or answers questions regarding eligibility. ([Current week's FAA-1215A](#))

### Change: Cryptocurrency Income and Resources

EFFECTIVE DATE: For determinations completed on or after 10/12/2021.

This change is being made to ensure FAA policy includes all income and resource types related to cryptocurrency.

Cryptocurrency, also known as virtual currency or digital currency, is a type of currency that uses cryptography to secure transactions that are digitally recorded on a distributed ledger. Policy has been updated to include information of the following types of income related to cryptocurrency:

- Capital gain or loss on the sale of cryptocurrency budgeted as self-employment
- Virtual currency mining budgeted as self-employment
- Interest payments on cryptocurrency accounts budgeted as unearned income
- Wages paid in the form of cryptocurrency budgeted as earned income
- Convertible virtual currency is countable as a resource

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#### Policy reference(s) revised due to this change:

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FAA4.B03E – [Convertible Virtual Currency](#)

New Policy

Added new reference. (Effective for determinations completed on or after 10/12/2021)

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FAA4.H03AA – [Interest Payments](#)

[Prior Policy](#)

Expanded on what is considered an interest payment, how they are received and what types of accounts accrue interest. Added information regarding interest received on cryptocurrency.

(Effective for determinations completed on or after 10/12/2021)

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FAA4.I03R.01 – [Gross Wages and Salaries](#)

[Prior Policy](#)

Added information regarding wages paid that were received in the form of cryptocurrency.  
(Effective for determinations completed on or after 10/12/2021)

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FAA4.J05U – [Virtual Currency Mining](#)

New Policy

Added new reference. (Effective for determinations completed on or after 10/12/2021)

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FAA4.J06F – [Capital Gains](#)

[Prior Policy](#)

Added information regarding cryptocurrency. (Effective for determinations completed on or after 10/12/2021)

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**Change: AZSNAP Allotment Increase**

EFFECTIVE DATE: For the benefit month of 10/2021 and ongoing

A clarification from the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) has identified that the Arizona Simplified Nutrition Assistance Program (AZSNAP) allotment amounts have increased for the benefit month of 10/2021.

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**IMPORTANT**

Only AZSNAP workers are allowed to determine AZSNAP eligibility and benefit amounts. See [FAA1.A15](#) for additional information about AZSNAP.

Effective the benefit month of 10/2021, the AZSNAP Tier amounts are as follows:

Monthly Combined Shelter Deductions	Tier	Monthly Allotment
\$0 to \$99.99	1	\$66
\$100 to \$199.99	2	\$106
\$200 to \$299.99	3	\$141
\$300 or more	4	\$191

The FNS clarification was received after the issuance of October benefits; therefore, AZTECS will be updated effective 11/2021. Due to Emergency Allotments (\*CMAX), most households have already received the maximum allotment. However, AZSNAP Tier 4 households will also receive an additional supplement of \$36 for benefit month 10/2021 due to the minimum \*CMAX allotment of \$95 and the allotment increase.

FAA Systems is adjusting the AZSNAP cases individually. Benefit history adjustments for AZSNAP cases and supplements for the AZSNAP Tier 4 cases will be updated by 10/21/2021.

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**Policy reference(s) revised due to this change:**

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FAA6.J13 – [AZSNAP Allotment Amounts](#)

Updated AZSNAP Tier amounts to align with the clarification received from FNS. (Effective the benefit month of 10/2021 and ongoing.)

## **General Information: Forms Update**

Changes to Forms – 10/02/2021 through 10/08/2021

As a reminder, it is important not to save documents on your desktop or a folder. It is better to use the form you need directly from the [Document Center](#). Forms are frequently updated and sometimes the current form must be used for programming purposes.

Revised forms:

- No forms were revised

Newly created forms:

- No forms were created

New Marketing Materials (Posters, Pamphlets, Flyers):

- There are no new marketing materials

Revised Marketing Materials (Posters, Pamphlets, Flyers):

- No revisions to marketing materials were made during the specified period

Forms Archived from the Document Center

- No forms were archived from the Document Center