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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 [What's Changed History](#) of the CNAP Manual.

The above list summarizes the information on this page. Each item listed above links to the corresponding section below.

Change: AZSNAP Allotment Decrease

In order to keep Arizona cost-neutral; the Arizona Simplified Nutrition Assistance Program (AZSNAP) allotment amounts have changed for the four tiers.

Effective for the benefit month of 01/2026, allotment amounts have decreased. For more information refer to FAA6.J11 titled AZSNAP Allotment Amounts.

Clarification: Benefit Increase – Required Verification Not Provided by Due Date

When a reported change is not verified by the due date on the Information Needed notice and the reported change would result in a benefit increase, **one** of the following occurs:

- When continued eligibility cannot be determined with the verification in the case file and any verification the participant provided, the benefits are stopped in the month that allows for Notice of Adverse Action (NOAA).
- When continued eligibility is not in question, but the amount of benefits may be affected and cannot be determined, benefits are continued at the level before the reported change.

Refer to FAA6.A03A titled When to Effect Changes for more information.

Reminder: AZ Minimum Wage Increase

Effective 01/01/2026, the minimum wage increased for **all** of the following:

- The state of Arizona to \$15.15 per hour.

NOTE: Arizona allows employers to pay a tipped worker \$3 per hour less than the Arizona minimum wage.

- The city of Tucson to \$15.45 per hour.

NOTE: The city of Tucson allows employers to take a tip credit of no more than \$3 per hour for tipped employees.

- The city of Flagstaff to \$18.35 per hour, and all employees will be required to make the full minimum wage, regardless of whether or not they regularly earn tips.

For more information, refer to FAA6.Q01M.18 titled Minimum Wage Federal and State Definition.

General Information: Forms Update

Changes to Forms – 12/27/2025 through 01/02/2026

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 during the specified period.

Newly created forms:

- No forms were revised during the specified period.

Revised Marketing Materials (Posters, Pamphlets, Flyers):

NOTE When a mandatory poster is listed below, offices must order the mandatory poster through the warehouse. Refer to FAA1.C03F titled Communicate with the Public for more information about posters.

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

New Marketing Materials (Posters, Pamphlets, Flyers):

NOTE When a new mandatory poster is listed below, offices must order the mandatory poster through the warehouse. Refer to FAA1.C03F titled Communicate with the Public for more information about posters.

- No new marketing materials were created during the specified period.

Forms and Marketing Materials Archived from the Document Center:

- No forms were archived from the Document Center.