

# Urgent Bulletin

Arizona Department of Economic Security  
Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System

## Nutrition Assistance Emergency Allotments End

04/08/2022

Program Impact: Nutrition Assistance (NA)

This Urgent Bulletin is being issued to inform staff that NA Emergency Allotments are ending.

Effective for the benefit month 05/2022, NA benefits will no longer include the additional NA Emergency Allotments. Arizona's State of Emergency Declaration ended 03/30/2022, which means Arizona is no longer approved to issue NA Emergency Allotments to Arizona households, which will result in 04/2022 being the last benefit month of NA Emergency Allotments for Arizona households.

Eligible NA budgetary units have been receiving NA Emergency Allotments in addition to their regular monthly NA benefit amount. This additional allotment was provided to help families with temporary food needs during the Public Health Emergency.

When a participant inquires about the NA Emergency Allotments ending, inform them of the reason the allotments have ended. Provide the participant with resources that are available for food assistance.

When reviewing the FSBH screen the NA Emergency Allotment displays separately from the budgetary unit's regular allotment. The allotment is identified as \*CMAX on FSBH.

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AZTECS is sending a mass notice to all affected NA budgetary units. The NA Emergency Allotments End (X603) notice informs the budgetary unit of all of the following:

- Arizona's State of Emergency Declaration has ended 03/30/2022
- The last NA Emergency Allotment that they will receive is 04/2022
- The amount of NA benefits they will receive in 05/2022
- Additional food assistance that may be available
- The right to file an appeal for any reason

When a budgetary unit does not receive the Emergency Allotment for the month of 04/2022, FAA Systems will issue a supplement through an ad hoc job in AZTECS in the month of 05/2022. No action is required by FAA staff.

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