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Flood Recovery: Replacement Benefits Available for FoodShare Members

MADISON – The Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) is working to assist residents affected by severe weather throughout much of the state, including record-breaking rainfall, widespread flooding, and extreme storms including damaging straight-line winds and possible tornadoes. Governor Scott Walker has declared a statewide State of Emergency and directed all state agencies to assist in recovery and response.

The Department of Health Services announced today that replacement FoodShare benefits are available for an extended time. FoodShare members who lost food purchased with FoodShare benefits due to damages or power loss related to the recent severe weather are eligible for replacement benefits. Replacement benefits are issued for the amount of food lost, up to the amount of benefits already issued for the month.

The Department of Health Services requested and received approval from the federal Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) to extend the time in which persons affected by the severe weather can report loss of benefits.

To request replacement FoodShare benefits, FoodShare members should fill out the [Replacement FoodShare Benefits form](#) and submit it by email, fax, mail, or in-person to their [income maintenance agency](#).

FoodShare members in the following counties have until **September 19, 2018**, to request replacement FoodShare benefits, not to exceed the monthly allotment for the household:

- Dane
- Green
- Iowa
- Rock

FoodShare members in the following counties have until **October 1, 2018**, to request replacement FoodShare benefits, not to exceed the monthly allotment for the household:

- Adams
- Dodge
- Fond du Lac
- Jefferson
- Juneau
- La Crosse
- Monroe
- Ozaukee
- Sauk
- Vernon
- Washington

FoodShare members who have been impacted by the severe weather, and are living outside of the counties listed above are eligible to apply for replacement benefits for up to 10 days of the time of loss. As more rain and potential severe weather threatens the state, the Department of Health Services will continue to work to assist all residents with recovery.

DHS has other flood resources available [here](#).

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