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# Gov. Beshear: Application Period Extended for Disaster Food Benefits Following Catastrophic Flooding

# Kentuckians who live, work in 12 counties in federal disaster declaration can now apply through Sept. 2

**FRANKFORT, Ky. (Aug. 31, 2022)** – Today, Gov. Andy Beshear announced that the application period has been extended to apply for disaster food benefits in Eastern Kentucky. Residents and people working in 12 counties that suffered significant damage from flooding, landslides and mudslides that resulted from storms that began on July 26 now have until Sept. 2 – two extra days – to apply for the benefits.

In July, at the Governor's request, President Joseph R. Biden issued a major disaster declaration in Breathitt, Clay, Floyd, Knott, Leslie, Letcher, Magoffin, Martin, Owsley, Perry, Pike and Whitley counties, which paved the way for Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits (D-SNAP). The U.S. Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service issues the benefits, and application submissions began Aug. 24. The original application period ended today, but Kentucky's Cabinet for Health and Family Services, which administers D-SNAP, sought and received federal approval to operate the program through Friday.

# **Application Process**

Applicants should call the cabinet's Department for Community Based Services' (DCBS) center for D-SNAP at **833-371-8570**, the fastest way to receive benefits. Applications will be taken by phone from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. EST through Friday.

Applications may be made in person at a Department for Community Based Services office or at a Disaster Recovery Center. Here are the locations and hours of operations:

Day	Date 2022	Application Times (Call Services) Eastern Standard Time 1-833-371- 8570		Hours for Disaster Recovery Centers, Knott and Letcher County sites open for applications and to pick up D- SNAP cards	Hours for Disaster Recovery Center in Floyd County; site open for applications and to pick up D- SNAP cards
Wednesday	Aug. 31	8 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	8 a.m.–5 pm.	7 a.m.–7 p.m.	9 a.m.–7 p.m.
Thursday	Sept. 1	8 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	8 a.m.–5 pm.	7 a.m.–7 p.m.	9 a.m.–7 p.m.
Friday	Sept. 2	8 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	8 a.m.–5 pm.	7 a.m.–6 p.m.	9 a.m.–6 p.m.

Applications may be made in-person at a DCBS office at county office addresses below through Friday, Sept. 2, 8 a.m.–5 p.m. Applications may also be made at the Disaster Recovery Centers at the address below, operating at hours extended beyond the operations of phone lines or the local DCBS office. The Knott and Letcher County Disaster Recovery Centers will be open Wednesday, Aug. 31, and Thursday, Sept. 1, from 7 a.m.–7 p.m. and Friday, Sept. 2, from 7 a.m.–6 p.m. The Floyd County Disaster Recovery Center will be open Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 1, from 9 a.m.–7 p.m. and Friday, Sept. 2, from 9 a.m.–6 p.m. All times are Eastern Standard Time.

### **Breathitt County DCBS Office**

355 Broadway Street Jackson

# Clay County DCBS Office 25 Marcum Hill Road Manchester

#### **Floyd County DCBS Office**

311 North Arnold Ave., Suite 403 Prestonsburg

# Floyd County Disaster Recovery Center- different hours of operation from Knott and Letcher Disaster Recovery Center

Christian Appalachian Project Foley Community Center 94 Academy Way Martin

#### Knott County DCBS Office

125 Cowtown Road HWY 550 West Hindman

Knott County Disaster Recovery Center Knott County Sports Plex 450 Kenny Champion Loop #8765 Leburn

# Leslie County DCBS Office

21150 HWY 421 South Hyden

# Letcher County DCBS Office

415 Hwy. 2034 Suite B Whitesburg Letcher County Disaster Recovery Center, Letcher County Recreation Center 1505 Jenkins Road Whitesburg

# Magoffin County DCBS Office

30 South Church Street Salyersville

# Martin County DCBS Office

104 East Main Street, Suite 200 Inez

#### **Owsley County DCBS Office**

33 HWY 11 South Booneville

#### Perry County DCBS Office

1332 South KY HWY 15 Hazard

#### **Pike County DCBS Office**

295 Hambley Blvd. Pikeville

#### Whitley County DCBS Office

1000 South US HWY 25 West Suite 2 Williamsburg

A list of storm resources may be found here: <u>https://governor.ky.gov/flood-resources</u>.

For more information about applying for benefits or finding resources in your community, please visit <u>kynect.ky.gov</u>.

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