

RCW 74.04.680 Cash benefits in final month of eligibility. (1)

To assist with family-related expenses, households with children receiving food benefits under this title, who are not simultaneously receiving temporary assistance for needy families, are eligible to receive a one-time state-funded cash benefit in the final month of eligibility when the household's food benefits terminate due to exceeding the gross income limit or when the household requests voluntary closure.

(2) For households receiving a cash benefit under subsection (1) of this section, the department shall provide transitional food assistance for a period of five months when eligibility for food benefits ceases due to exceeding the gross income limit or when the household requests voluntary closure.

(3) If necessary, the department shall extend the household's food benefit certification until the end of the transition period.

(4) The amount of the cash benefit issued by the department under subsection (1) of this section must be set in accordance with available funds appropriated for this purpose. [2021 c 9 § 2.]

Effective date—2021 c 9 § 2: "Section 2 of this act takes effect July 1, 2022." [2021 c 9 § 6.]