

TREASURY DEPARTMENT COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA HARRISBURG, PA 17120

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The Honorable Josh Shapiro Governor Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 225 Main Capitol Building Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

Electronic Transmission

Dear Governor Shapiro:

I have read about your concern for Pennsylvania SNAP recipients and the potential loss of their benefits during the ongoing federal government shutdown. I share your concern about the food and health needs of Pennsylvania SNAP recipients.

While we may differ in our perception of the cause or blame for the federal government shutdown, I believe we can work together on a solution to mitigate the impact here in Pennsylvania, specifically the potential loss of SNAP benefits for the Pennsylvanians we serve every day.

As you are aware, we have worked together in the past executing funding solutions through the Short-Term Investment Pool (STIP) to maintain government operations during times of financial challenges relating to cash flow. A STIP is essentially a loan backed by future anticipated cash flows. I propose that Treasury executes a STIP (or loan) to cover the cost of SNAP benefits for the month of November, reevaluating on a month-to-month basis based on available cash balances in Pool 999.

This solution offers a way to give vulnerable Pennsylvanians who rely on SNAP peace of mind that their families will not go hungry during these times of financial insecurity.

If you have any questions regarding this proposal, please don't hesitate to contact either me or my staff. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Stacy Garrity
State Treasurer