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The Honorable Karen Umberger, Chairman  
Fiscal Committee of the General Court and

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu  
and the Honorable Council  
State House  
Concord, NH 03301

**REQUESTED ACTION**

1. Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 91:34, Laws of 2021 Program Eligibility, authorize the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), to modify the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Education and Training (E&T) Program that will increase participation by adding the SNAP E&T Education Component of Career and/or Technical Education Programs (EPC Component), effective upon approval of the Fiscal Committee and Governor and Executive Council.
2. Pursuant to the provisions of RSA 14:30-a, VI, authorize the Department of Health and Human Services, to accept and expend federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Education and Training (E&T) funds, in the amount of \$230,000 from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service (USDA) effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Executive Council approval through June 30, 2023, and further authorize the allocation of these funds in the accounts below. 100% Federal Funds.

**05-95-045-450010-61270000 HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, DEPT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, HHS: TRANSITIONAL ASSIST DIV, EMPLOYMENT SUPPORTS**

Class/Object	Class Title	SFY 22 Budget	Increase (Decrease) Amount	Revised Budget
<b>SFY22</b>				
000-403719-16	Federal Funds	\$ 8,336,643	\$ 230,000	\$ 8,566,643
	General Funds	\$ 5,859,645	\$ -	\$ 5,859,645
	<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$ 14,196,288</b>	<b>\$ 230,000</b>	<b>\$ 14,426,288</b>
010-500100	Personal Services Perm	\$ 1,503,052	\$ -	\$ 1,503,052
012-500128	Salary Unclassified	\$ 90,116	\$ -	\$ 90,116
018-500106	Overtime	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 10,000
020-500200	Current Expenses	\$ 71,947	\$ -	\$ 71,947
022-500248	Rents-leases Other than State	\$ 1	\$ -	\$ 1
026-500251	Organizational Dues	\$ 10,001	\$ -	\$ 10,001
037-500165	Technology-Hardware	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ 1,500
038-509038	Technology-Software	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ 1,500
039-500191	Telecommunications	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000
041-500801	Audit Fund Set Aside	\$ 6,387	\$ -	\$ 6,387
042-500620	Additional Fringe Benefits	\$ 143,074	\$ -	\$ 143,074
049-584927	Transfers to Other State Agency	\$ 406,488	\$ -	\$ 406,488
050-500109	Personal Services Temp Appoin	\$ 86,982	\$ -	\$ 86,982
060-500601	Benefits	\$ 1,036,674	\$ -	\$ 1,036,674
070-500700	In State Travel Reimb	\$ 20,983	\$ -	\$ 20,983
074-500585	Grants for Pub Asst and Rel	\$ 4,735,000	\$ -	\$ 4,735,000
080-500710	Out of State Travel Reimb	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 1,000
085-588527	Inter-Agency transfers out of Federal Funds	\$ 6,156	\$ 125,000	\$ 131,156
085-588558	Inter-Agency transfers out of Federal Funds	\$ -	\$ 105,000	\$ 105,000
102-500731	Contracts For Program Svcs	\$ 4,438,257	\$ -	\$ 4,438,257
501-500425	Payments To Clients	\$ 791,000	\$ -	\$ 791,000
502-500891	Payments To Providers	\$ 831,170	\$ -	\$ 831,170
	<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 14,196,288</b>	<b>\$ 230,000</b>	<b>\$ 14,426,288</b>

**EXPLANATION**

RSA 161:2, XIII authorizes the Department of Health and Human Services to develop and administer a food stamp program for the benefit of New Hampshire citizens. The SNAP E&T program has two benefits. First, it assists participants to achieve economic mobility and independence, and second, aids New Hampshire employers to fill critical shortages in the workforce. The SNAP E&T program currently provides assistance to eligible SNAP recipients with Supervised Job Searching (SJS) and Job Search Training (JST). The SJS guides, tracks and monitors job search activities of SNAP E&T participants and teaches participants how to focus and improve job search activities. The JST enhances participants' job readiness by providing improved job searching techniques and provides increased job search motivation. These two components assist SNAP E&T participants in obtaining employment in jobs they are already qualified for.

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These funds will add the Career and/or Technical Education component (EPC) which will enable the SNAP E&T program to recruit and reimburse providers to train and educate participants to compete for jobs in in the State's high wage and/or high demand occupations. The State's SNAP E&T program will then submit a claim to the USDA for reimbursement of costs at a rate of 50%, provided the funds are not federal funds or used as a match for another program. The provider(s) must cover the other 50% at a match. The State is not required to nor does it provide any match.

The SNAP E&T program is funded by the federal USDA, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and State General Funds. The State share required for the receipt of these federal funds is contained within the vendors appropriated budgets. The USDA has approved New Hampshire's plan for the SNAP E&T program.


Funds are being budgeted in Class 085 (Inter-Agency transfers out of Federal Funds) to reimburse vendors the federal match allowed by USDA, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program.

Area served: Statewide

Source of funds: These funds are 100% Federal from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service.

In the event that these Federal Funds become no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to support this program.

Respectfully submitted,



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