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I support the entitlement structure which increases in need due to economic changes or natural disasters.

I believe benefit allotments should be increased in the minimum levels and at other allotment levels due to cost of living and inflation

indexed by the Consumer Price Index as well as local conditions.

Eligibility should be expanded to US Citizens now needy and not eligible under current guidelines.

Liberalization of resource rules, streamlining of enrollment procedures and increased reimbursements for state administrative operations based on the real cost of this work

and expense borne by state governments and vigorous support for food stamp outreach would increase utilization by those in most need.

Please also continue to allow recipients choice among food choices as wide choice will minimize waste and allow an array of food that will more likely be in fact eaten and not wasted or spoiled.

The electronic benefit transfer (EBT) delivery has certainly added to the efficiency of the program and a new name for the program which reflects the recent improvements and reforms recently instituted would also be advisable if the cost of change-over would not be prohibitive.

Thank you for the opportunity to express my views .

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