**Email Outreach Template**

*Subject:* Nebraska’s SNAP Income Limit Has Gone Up!

*To:* Your Network

Dear (Network),

Nebraska’s Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) is changing for the better! Now more people qualify for support buying groceries, even as they take raises at work.

On May 26, 2021, Nebraska passed a law that increases the income limit for the SNAP program from 130% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) to 165% (see chart below). The net income limit remains 100% FPL for all households (Net Income = gross income minus deductions like dependent care, earned income, etc.).

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| **Household Size** | **165% FPL Monthly Gross Income Limit** | **100% FPL Monthly Net Income Limit** |
| 1 | $1,770 | $1,073 |
| 2 | $2,395 | $1,452 |
| 3 | $3,020 | $1,830 |
| 4 | $3,643 | $2,208 |
| Each Additional Member | +$626 | +$378 |

\*The income limits above represent 2021 FPL which are active for SNAP on October 1, 2021. Limits are around $15 per person lower than those noted above until then.

This is a great opportunity to check your eligibility for the program. Now is the time to apply or consider reapplying. If you are currently receiving SNAP benefits, now is the time to double check your eligibility limits - you may be able to keep your benefits and stop passing up raises!

Call the Food Bank’s SNAP Hotline at **855-444-5556** to see if you qualify and to get help submitting an application.

Reach out to Megan Hamann at Nebraska Appleseed at **402-438-8853 ext. 142** or **mhamman@neappleseed.org** with questions or for more information.

Sincerely,

(Signature)