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October 11, 2021

### **Dear County Director of Social Services**

Attention: Buncombe County Director, Food and Nutrition Services Managers and Supervisors

Haywood County Director, Food and Nutrition Services Managers and Supervisors Transylvania County Director, Food and Nutrition Services Managers and Supervisors

**Human Services** 

**Subject:** Disaster EBT Card Return and Destruction Procedures

**Priority:** Action Required

This letter provides instructions for returning and destroying EBT Cards for counties operating a Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (DSNAP) resulting from Tropical Storm Fred. All cards in opened liners must be destroyed.

#### **EBT CARD RETURN INSTRUCTIONS:**

Return **ONLY** full liners (seal not broken) of Disaster EBT cards to the State Office. Partial liners of EBT cards **cannot** be returned to the State Office. Complete the <u>DSS-8603</u>, Food and Nutrition Services Returned Disaster EBT Cards and return with the box(es) of EBT cards and the Manifest.

The DSS-8603 must be completed by DSS staff and the NCDHHS Card Carrier Staff. Follow the instructions below on how to complete the form.

#### Section 1- Completed by the County Department of Social Services (DSS).

The county will provide the job number, liner number and sequence beginning and ending numbers. The numbers are located on the label at the end of the white liner. A signature of the person completing this section is required.

## Section 2 (A) - Completed by County DSS Staff

Include the name and address of the agency the cards are being returned to: Division of Social Services
Allison Smith or Nicola Allen
820 S. Boylan Avenue
McBryde Bldg., Dorothea Dix Campus
Raleigh, NC 27699-2420

# Section (B) - Completed by Carrier's Organization or State Staff

Section 2 (B), the NCDHHS Staff serving as the Card Courier will fill out this section. By signing this, it is certifying that DSS is returning the Disaster EBT cards.

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**Section 2 (C)**, this section cannot be signed until after Section 3 has been signed. This section confirms that the Card Courier has delivered the cards to the State Office. The State Office will return a completed copy to county DSS.

# Section 3 - Completed by Food and Nutrition Services State Staff

Section three, State staff serving as Card Couriers that receive the Disaster EBT cards from the DSS will complete the last section of the form.

Each county DSS will receive a copy of the completed DSS-8603.

#### EBT CARD DESTRUCTION INSTRUCTIONS:

Destroy partial liners (seal broken) of Disaster EBT cards. Partial liners of EBT cards **cannot** be returned to the State Office. Complete the <u>DSS-8602</u>, Food and Nutrition Services Disaster Electronic Benefit Transfer Card Destruction. The form must be completed and emailed to <u>nicola.allen@dhhs.gov</u> and cc <u>allison.smith@dhhs.nc.gov</u>.

The DSS-8602 must be completed by DSS staff, follow the instructions below on how to complete the form, include the:

- Name and address of the agency that is destroying the cards
- Number of boxes of opened disaster cards destroyed (only four liners/box(es)) per form
- The job number, liner number and sequence beginning and ending numbers. The numbers are located on the label at the end of the white liner/box(es).
- Method of how the cards were destroyed
- Date the cards were destroyed
- Name of the person that destroyed the cards and county DSS name
- Signature, date, and title of the person that destroyed the cards
- Signature and date of County Director

If you have any questions, please contact Nicola Allen at Nicola.allen@dhhs.nc.gov.

Sincerely,

Carla West, Senior Director for Economic Security

Division of Social Services, Economic and Family Services

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Attachment:

DSS-8603

**DSS-8602** 

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