May 1, 2020

SUBJECT: Extension Approval of Disaster Household Distribution in Response to the National Emergency Declaration Due to COVID-19

TO: Cheryl Kennedy
Regional Administrator
Mountain Plains Regional Office

This memorandum is in response to the Kansas Department of Children and Families’ (KS DCF) request to extend its use of U.S. Department of Agriculture’s (USDA) Foods to operate disaster household distribution beyond its initial approved end date of May 6, 2020. This request is in response to food assistance needs resulting from the COVID-19 National Emergency declared by the President of the United States on March 13, 2020.

KS DCF requested that USDA extend its initial approval to use USDA Foods from The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) for disaster household distribution. KS DCF will continue to use the same distribution methods to provide food assistance to approximately 39,750 individuals.

An extension is granted for disaster household distribution beginning May 7, 2020 through June 5, 2020. KS DCF is authorized to use the previously approved disaster household distribution food package to continue providing food assistance to impacted households. KS DCF must also follow the same Terms of Approval as stated in our original approval letter dated April 7, 2020.

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