

SHUTDOWN RESOURCES FOR CLUBS

As the federal government shutdown continues with no clear end in sight, we recognize that Clubs, families, and staff are beginning to feel the impact. Below, we have compiled a list of resources that may be helpful to your Club or the families you serve as the shutdown continues.

HOUSING/SHELTER

- LIHEAP: There may be delays in the release of the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) funds. The earliest new funds may be available is early December, assuming the funds are released.
 - Find additional energy assistance programs, including through your state government or utility company, by state here: [Disconnect Policies | The LIHEAP Clearinghouse](#)
- [State and Local Rental Assistance](#)
- [Housing Choice Voucher Program](#)
- [Community Development Block Grant \(CDBG\)](#)

MEALS

Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)

The [National CACFP Association](#) has confirmed that state agencies administering CACFP received federal reimbursement in October and that funds should be disbursed to program operators as usual in November. In past government shutdowns, USDA has projected the CACFP would be able to continue operations for about 3-4 months after the start of the shutdown.

SNAP (formerly the Food Stamps program) and WIC

SNAP feeds about 42 million people (one in eight Americans), including 16 million children, 8 million older adults, and more than 4 million people with disabilities. WIC supports nearly 7 million pregnant and postpartum women, infants, and young children. Even short disruptions can harm child nutrition and development. November is always a critical month for families preparing for colder weather and the holidays. Currently, SNAP funds are not expected to be available to beneficiaries for the month of November, except where some state governments are making funds available.

- [Find Your Local Food Bank | Feeding America](#)
- [Meals on Wheels: Find Meals and Services Near You](#)
- [FoodFinder](#): Find food pantries near you.
- [USDA National Hunger Hotline](#): Call 1-866-3-HUNGRY or 1-877-8-HAMBRE (7 a.m. – 10 p.m. ET) or text FOOD to 914-342-7744.
- [FullCart](#): Sign up for free food delivered to your home (please note that there's currently a waitlist for this service).

STUDENT LOANS

There will be no pause in student loan repayments, and loans are still eligible for default. Similarly, Income Drive Repayment and Public Service Loan Forgiveness application processing is paused during the shutdown.

TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES (TANF)

As the shutdown continues into its second month, some TANF programs may experience impacts in November but will vary depending on how each state operates and funds their program. Each state manages their own TANF program and will expend federal funds they received in Q3 at different rates. Impacts will also vary depending on how much state funding supports the program and whether states utilize their TANF contingency funds when other sources of funding are expended. Contact information for the agency administering TANF in each state is [available here](#).

GENERAL SUPPORT

- [211 Hotline \(United Way\)](#): A comprehensive source of information about local resources and services in the country. From caregiver resources to mental health and disaster recovery support, 211 can provide local assistance to community members.
- Domestic Violence Victims (Shelter, Basic Needs, Crisis Support, Counseling, Legal Help, Youth Services). Find Your Local Service Provider:
 - [Search/Live Chat](#)
 - Call: 1-800-799-SAFE (7233)
 - Text “START” to 88788
- Finding local diaper assistance is available by dialing 2-1-1 for 24/7 specialist help. The National Diaper Bank Network’s member directory with a list of affiliated banks is available [through this link](#).

GENERAL RESOURCES

- [Issue Brief: How a Government Shutdown Hurts Kids](#)
- Consult your state or county government website for additional information about local and state level impacts and resources.