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DHS Announces Disaster Food Assistance (D-SNAP) Relief for Pulaski, Randolph, and White Counties

(Little Rock--) The Department of Human Services announced that Pulaski, Randolph and White Counties are eligible to receive SNAP Disaster Assistance under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, authorized by The Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Services, as a result of the April 27, 2014 severe storms and tornadoes.

Any household in one of these counties that suffered disaster losses due to the April 27 severe storms and tornados may be eligible to receive D-SNAP assistance. D-SNAP extends benefits to many households that would not ordinarily qualify but suddenly need food assistance because of a disaster. D-SNAP benefits are provided via an electronic debit-like card and can be used to purchase food items at authorized retailers.

Residents from these counties who experienced at least one of the following conditions as a direct result of the April 27, 2014 storms and tornadoes may be eligible:

- Damage to or destruction of the home or self-employment business.
- Loss or inaccessibility of income including a reduction or termination of income or a significant delay in receiving income due to disaster related problems.
- Disaster-related expenses (home or business repairs, temporary shelter, evacuation, etc.) that are not expected to be reimbursed during the disaster benefit period.

Residents seeking D-SNAP in these three counties may apply Monday, May 19th through Sunday May 25th, must have lived in the disaster area at the time of the storms and must have suffered loss or damages. NOTE: The application period for D-SNAP for residents in Faulkner County runs through Sunday, May 18th only.

DSNAP applications may be taken at the following locations:

- Pulaski County SNAP Mobile Enrollment Unit located at the Ferndale Disaster Recovery Center, at 27025 Kanis Road, Little Rock, Ark. (Pleasant Grove Baptist Church).
- The Randolph County DHS Office located at 1408 Pace Road, Pocahontas, Ark.
- The White County DHS Office located at 608 Rodgers Drive, Searcy, Ark.

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