

Many Yalobusha . . .

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Debris clean up has started and if you have debris around your property and can get it to the roadside it will be picked up.



Letter To The Editor

Dear Friends,

Mississippi and Yalobusha County are blessed with a wealth of resources, and our greatest resource is our people. When our community is faced with hardship, our neighbors step forward without hesitation, meeting challenges with strength, determination and faith.

In the aftermath of Winter Storm Fern, we want to express our profound gratitude and sincere appreciation to the linemen, utility crews, first responders, service organizations, law enforcement and the countless volunteers who worked day and night to care for our community. These men and women became our heroes — restoring power, clearing roads, delivering supplies and checking on neighbors during difficult and dangerous conditions.

We are especially thankful for the linemen who labored tirelessly in freezing temperatures to restore electricity to homes across our county. Their work, often unseen and under-appreciated, makes it possible for families to stay warm, for the elderly and disabled to remain safe and for daily life to begin returning to normal. They did not work out of obligation, but out of service and compassion.

We are also grateful for the volunteers who brought food, delivered firewood, checked on the vulnerable and offered help wherever it was needed. These acts of kindness — repeated day after day — are powerful reminders of what community truly means.

Like many others, we are not always able to do the physical work we once could, but we can — and will — continue to pray for the safety of all who serve so selflessly. We pray for our community, our linemen, our volunteers and our nation as recovery continues.

In Christian Love,
Mary Sue and
Roy Bennett Stevens

MDHS ANNOUNCES REPLACEMENT BENEFITS FOR COUNTIES AFFECTED BY WINTER STORM FERN

Only Current Eligible SNAP Clients

(JACKSON, MISS) – The Mississippi Department of Human Services (MDHS) announces that the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) has approved mass replacement benefits for CURRENT Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) households in the 15 hardest-hit counties. A separate waiver extending the period to request replacement benefits has already been granted until February 23, 2026, for residents in the additional 28 counties impacted by Winter Storm Fern.

MASS REPLACEMENT BENEFITS

Households in the 15 counties listed below do not need to submit a MDHS-EA-508 Form to receive replacement benefits. Eligible clients in these counties will be issued benefits automatically.

Timing of issuance may vary. Clients in the following counties are encouraged to monitor their accounts over the next few weeks for receipt of benefits:

- Adams County
- Attala County
- Benton County
- Bolivar County
- Calhoun County
- Carroll County
- Chickasaw County
- Coahoma County
- Desoto County
- Issaquena County
- Itawamba County
- Jefferson County
- Lee County
- Leflore County
- Lowndes County
- Madison County
- Marshall County
- Pontotoc County
- Prentiss County
- Quitman County
- Sunflower County
- Tate County
- Tunica County
- Union County
- Warren County

- Montgomery County
- Panola County
- Sharkey County
- Tallahatchie County
- Tippah County
- Tishomingo County
- Yalobusha County
- Yazoo County

- Washington County
- Webster County
- Wilkinson County

Before applying for SNAP Replacement benefits, please review these four items:

1. SNAP Replacement is ONLY available to current SNAP clients.

2. The amount of replacement benefits received will NOT exceed the amount you currently receive.

3. Food loss must be the result of a weather-related power outage lasting more than 4 hours or an event such as tornadoes, floods or snow.

4. Submission of the replacement benefit attestation is a legal request for benefits that should be truthful and accurate.

The application may be downloaded and submitted via the secure document upload feature on the MDHS website at SNAP Replacement Benefits - Mississippi Department of Human Services.

For the latest information and updates:

- Visit <https://www.mdhs.ms.gov/weather-updates-office-closures/>
- Follow MDHS on official social media channels
- Monitor local news outlets

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