

Are you unhoused & participating in SNAP?

Changes to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) ABAWD Work Requirements in Arizona

Effective statewide, the following ABAWD work requirements exist for
Unhoused Individuals

Under federal law/regulations, “homeless” individuals are defined to include people lacking a fixed and regular nighttime residence, staying with another individual temporarily (i.e., “couch surfing”) for 90 days or less, and staying in a temporary shelter or a place not meant for sleeping (i.e., a car, etc.).



- Work at least 20 hours per week (or an average of 80 hours per month). The hours can be met by any combination of any of the following:
 - self-employment, paid work, in-kind work, volunteer unpaid work.
- Participate in and comply with one of the following work programs at least 20 hours per week:
 - SNAP Career Advancement Network (SNAP CAN) program. *NOTE: The program may contain job search or job-search training as a subsidiary component when the component is less than half of the required 20 hours per week.*
 - Workforce Investment Opportunities Act (WIOA) Program or any component of WIOA.
 - Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) Act.
 - An employment and training program for veterans offered by the Department of Labor or the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Unsure if you qualify for an exemption? Need assistance finding employment? Visit:
<https://des.az.gov/na>



OR call DES at 1-855-432-7587.

Other questions? Email
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Verification documents include but are not limited to:

- **Residency:** photo ID, utility bills, lease agreements
- **Income:** pay stubs, benefit letters
- **Household composition:** birth certificate, school records
- **Health-related claims:** medical or disability documents
- Immigration papers, bank statements, child-support documentation, and additional items may be needed.