

NOTICE ON THE USE OF SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS

(This is not an application)

If members of your family or household want to receive Food Assistance, Medicaid, Special Assistance or Work First Family Assistance benefits, they must provide Social Security Numbers. Only those who provide or apply for a SSN will receive benefits if otherwise eligible. Applications for Food Stamps and Work First Family Assistance benefits will not be delayed or denied if an individual in your family or household does not provide his or her Social Security Number. These family or household members may be required to answer other questions on the application related to the family's financial circumstances. This notice only applies to social security numbers.

- Any individual in your household who wants to receive assistance must furnish all social security numbers he has and uses. If he does not have one, he must apply for one. We can help him do this.
- If an individual refuses to provide his social security number, he is ineligible for assistance for himself.
- If an individual in your family or household does not wish to receive benefits, he DOES NOT have to give his social security number. If he chooses to provide his social security number, it is strictly voluntary.

HOW WILL MY SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER BE USED?

Social security numbers are used in matching information with the following agencies:

- Social Security Administration (SSA),
- Internal Revenue Services (IRS),
- Employment Security Commission (ESC),
- Department of Transportation (DOT),
- Out-of-state welfare and ESC agencies, and
- Any other agencies, when applicable.

We will only use social security numbers to verify income and resources.

I have read and understand the statements on this form. By signing this, I agree to allow system matches on the social security numbers I provide.

Applicant's/Representative's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Verification Worker's/Caseworker's Signature: _____