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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

DIVISION OF ECONOMIC STABILITY

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August 14, 2025

The Honorable Ken Weyler, Chairman
Fiscal Committee of the General Court and

Her Excellency, Governor Kelly A. Ayotte
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, NH 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to the provisions of RSA 14:30-a, VI, authorize the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Economic Stability, to accept and expend federal funds in the amount of $1,100,000 from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), to be used for Summer EBT Technology (SEBT-TECH), effective upon approval by the Fiscal Committee and Governor and Executive Council through June 30, 2027. 100% Federal Funds.

05-95-045-451010-72140000 HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HUMAN SVCS DEPT, HHS: DIV ECONOMIC STABILITY, BUREAU OF FAMILY ASSIST-FIELD, NEW HEIGHTS

CLASS OBJ	CLASS TITLE	Current Budget	Increase/ (Decrease) Amount	Revised Modified Budget
000-403951-16	Federal Funds	$ 5,975,134	$ 1,100,000	$ 7,075,134
	General Fund	$ 1,812,381	$ -	$ 1,812,381
	Total Revenue	$ 7,787,515	$ 1,100,000	$ 8,887,515
010-500100	Personal Services Perm Class	$1,421,421.00		$ 1,421,421
018-500106	Overtime	$38,342.00		$ 38,342
020-500200	Current Expenses	$ 1,100	$ -	$ 1,100
039-500188	Telecommunications	$ 600		$ 600
041-500801	Audit Set Aside	$ 4,560	$ 1,100	$ 5,660
046-500465	IT Consul-Non-Benefit	$ 5,253,301	$ 1,098,900	$ 6,352,201
050-500109	Personal Service Temp Appoi	$ 78,567	$ -	$ 78,567
059-500117	Temp Full Time	$ 66,574		$ 66,574
060-500602	Benefits	$ 917,900	$ -	$ 917,900
070-500704	In State Travel Reimbursement	$ 150	$ -	$ 150
080-500710	Out of State Travel Reimb	$ 5,000	$ -	$ 5,000
	Total Expense	$ 7,787,515	$ 1,100,000	$ 8,887,515

EXPLANATION

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) has granted New Hampshire additional funds for administrative expenses associated with the SNAP Summer Electronic Benefit Transfer (S-EBT) program. These grant funds were federally authorized as the Summer EBT Technology (SEBT-TECH) Grant. USDA FNS acknowledges that there are several Summer EBT statutory and regulatory requirements that will require a robust technology infrastructure at the State level and that investments in systems are critical to support effective and accurate enrollment and benefit delivery to those who participate in the program. In addition, FNS acknowledges that it is essential to support sound investments in Summer EBT technology infrastructure from the start to establish a long-term and sustainable program that operates with proper controls.

The funding will provide New Hampshire with the resources necessary to make important technological investments including the development of

- A secure electronic interface between the NH Education Department and the Department of Health and Humans Service to share relevant data files to determine eligibility,
- A secure application interface to automate application processing and tracking for eligibility, document uploading and enable shared applications with NH Education Department, and
- Federal reporting capabilities and automation for financial reporting and program monitoring for compliance.

These developments will ensure that sensitive and confidential information is secured and protected, reduce risk of processing errors and reduce manual work.

Funds are budgeted as follows:

Class 041 (Audit Set Aside) – RSA 124:16 requires .1% to be budgeted to pay for financial and compliance audits.

Class 046 (IT Consul-Non-Benefit) – Funds are being used for Summer EBT Technology (SEBT-TECH) Grant.

Source of Funds: These funds are 100% Federal Funds.

In the event that Federal Funds become no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to support this program.

Respectfully Submitted,

for:

Lori A. Weaver
Commissioner

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE - FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE

GRANT/COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT

1. GRANT/AGREEMENT NO
USDA-FNS-CN-N-SEBTTG-NH

2. FEDERAL AWARD DATE
05/14/2025

3. IS THIS AN R&D AWARD?
☐ YES ☒ NO

4. CFDA NUMBER
10.541

5. UNIQUE ENTITY IDENTIFIER (UEI)
LA2HR1U97VC6

6. FEDERAL AWARD IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (FAIN)

7. FEDERAL AWARDING AGENCY
Greg Walton
USDA Food and Nutrition Service

8. CFDA NAME
CN Technology Innovation Grant Program

9. RECIPIENT NAME
NH Department of Health and Human Services
129 Pleasant Street
Concord, NH 03301-3852

10. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA
FN.CN.3076.01.0300; 24.25.25

11. AMOUNT OF FEDERAL FUNDS OBLIGATED BY THIS ACTION
$1,100,000.00

12. TOTAL AMOUNT OF FEDERAL FUNDS OBLIGATED
$1,100,000.00

13. TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE FEDERAL AWARD
$1,100,000.00

14. PLACE OF PERFORMANCE
NH: New Hampshire

15. BUDGET APPROVED BY AWARDING AGENCY
$1,100,000.00

16. TOTAL APPROVED COST SHARING/MATCHING (WHERE APPLICABLE)
$0.00

17. INDIRECT COST RATE FOR THE FEDERAL AWARD (PLEASE INCLUDE IF THE DE MINIMIS RATE IS CHARGED)
0.00%

18. MAIL REQUESTS FOR REIMBURSEMENT TO
Payments made via ASAP Letter of Credit

19. SPONSOR(SPONSORING FNS PROGRAM)
Natasha Kachikwu
FY25 Summer EBT Technology

20. START DATE
05/21/2025

21. END DATE
09/30/2028

22. FEDERAL AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION
Summer EBT Technology Enhancement Project. Please view attachment.

The Grantee/Cooperator hereby assures and certifies that they will comply with the regulations, policies, guidelines and requirements as they relate to the applications, acceptance, and use of Federal funds for this Federally-assisted project including: 2 CFR Chapter I (Office of Management and Budget Government-wide Guidance for Grants and Agreements) and Chapter II (Office of Management and Budget Guidance) as well as 2 CFR Part 200 (Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards); and any USDA implementing regulations, such as 2 CFR Part 400 (Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards), 2 CFR Part 415 (General Program Administrative Regulations), 2 CFR Part 416 (General Program Administrative Regulations for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments), and 2 CFR Part 418 (New Restrictions on Lobbying).

23. REMARKS
Pre-award costs are authorized from January 15, 2025, to the effective date of the award. FPRS reporting is located at: SEBT-TECH.

SIGNATURE OF GRANTEE/COOPERATOR		UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	
SIGNATURE (Authorized Individual)	DATE 5-27-25	SIGNATURE (Grant Official)	DATE
NAME (Type) Karen E Hebert		NAME (TYPE) **Kimberly Jackson**	
TITLE Director		TITLE **CFO and Acting Director, Grants and Fiscal Policy**	
TELEPHONE NUMBER 603-573-6311		TELEPHONE NUMBER **(703) 859-2421**	

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