

**Commonwealth Of Virginia
Department Of Social Services**

To Hearing and Legal Services Manager
Virginia Department of Social Services
801 East Main Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219-2901

County/City
Case Number
Name
Address
City, State, Zip

Appeal To State Department Of Social Services

To be valid/timely, SNAP (food stamps) appeals must be received within 90 days of written notice of the local agency decision. All other appeal requests must be received within 30 days of written notice of the local agency decision. All appeal requests must meet appropriate deadlines as required by law. There is no requirement that a request for an appeal for SNAP or TANF be made in writing. The request for an appeal for SNAP or TANF may be oral.

My appeal is in regard to the following program(s):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Temporary Assistance For Needy Families (TANF) | <input type="checkbox"/> Energy Assistance (limited to items with an asterisk "**") |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SNAP Benefits (Food Stamps) | <input type="checkbox"/> Services (e.g., Child Care) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> General Relief | <input type="checkbox"/> Refugee Cash Assistance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Auxiliary Grants | <input type="checkbox"/> Refugee Medical Assistance |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

Attention:

I hereby request a review of the (proposed) action of the Department of Social Services in the County/City of: _____
for the reason(s) checked below:

<input type="checkbox"/> Refusal to take my application for assistance or services*	<input type="checkbox"/> Refusal to take my application for SNAP benefits	<input type="checkbox"/> Declaring me ineligible for assistance or services*	<input type="checkbox"/> Declaring my household ineligible to participate in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
<input type="checkbox"/> Suspending my assistance or services		<input type="checkbox"/> Canceling my assistance or services*	<input type="checkbox"/> Cancelling my SNAP benefits
<input type="checkbox"/> Failure to take action on my request for an increase in my assistance or services which was made on: _____ Date	<input type="checkbox"/> Failure to provide expedited service on my SNAP case	<input type="checkbox"/> Failure to render a decision on my application for assistance or SNAP benefits within the allowable time limit:* Application was made on: _____ Date	
<input type="checkbox"/> Awarding me insufficient assistance of \$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Decreasing my SNAP benefit amount	<input type="checkbox"/> Decreasing my assistance from \$ _____ to: \$ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Decreasing my services _____ From _____ days/hours to _____ days/hours	

Other (explain) _____

I believe I am eligible for assistance, services, or SNAP benefits or an increase in assistance or services or adjustment in SNAP benefits because:

I understand that any assistance and/or SNAP benefits received until a hearing decision is given must be repaid to the agency if the hearing decision supports the action being proposed by the agency.

I wish my SNAP benefits to continue until a hearing decision is rendered: Yes No

I wish my assistance or services to continue until a hearing decision is rendered: Yes No

I received a written notice from the Social Services Department on (date)	Name/Address/Telephone of Claimant's Legal Representative (if selected)
Claimant Signature	Date