



RESOLUTION NO. 25-10-2025

**SUPPORT OF STATE INVESTMENT FOR
INCOME MAINTENANCE ADMINISTRATION**

TO THE HONORABLE KEWAUNEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

1 WHEREAS, the federal budget reconciliation package enacted in July of 2025, makes
2 changes to the SNAP (FoodShare) program that would reduce federal costs and significantly impact
3 county-administered services; and

4 WHEREAS, these changes extend SNAP work requirements to individuals up to age 64, lower the child
5 age threshold for parent exemptions, and eliminate waivers for areas with high unemployment, thereby
6 increasing referrals to the FoodShare Employment and Training (FSET) program and workload for county
7 human service departments; and

8 WHEREAS, the legislation requires states to contribute a minimum of 5% toward the cost of SNAP
9 benefits if their error rate is 6% or higher, facing penalty funding of between 5% and 15% of total SNAP
10 costs; and;

11 WHEREAS, Wisconsin's current SNAP payment error rate is 4.47%, but without additional investment in
12 eligibility and administrative systems, heightened workloads could push the state above the 6% threshold,
13 triggering significant penalties; and

14 WHEREAS, if Wisconsin's error rate reaches 6% on or after October 1, 2027, the state's 5% cost share
15 would be approximately \$69 million annually, with potential penalty payments increasing the state's
16 financial burden—costs that could ultimately cascade down to counties; and

17 WHEREAS, the SNAP administrative match rate for Income Maintenance (IM) activities has been
18 reduced from the previous 50% federal / 50% state-local to 25% federal / 75% state-local, substantially
19 reducing federal revenue available to counties to administer SNAP; and

20 WHEREAS, the reduction in administrative funds could lead to a reduction in IM staff, which could
21 result in an increased payment error rate; and

22 WHEREAS, county IM administrative costs are approximately \$123 million annually, with SNAP-related
23 workload accounting for about \$49 million of those costs; and

24 WHEREAS the new administrative match rate results in an estimated \$17 million annual loss in SNAP
25 administrative funding to counties; and

26 WHEREAS, these federal cuts result from shifting the benefit and administrative costs to states and
27 counties (reducing resources available for local administration), tightening work requirements (increasing
28 county workload), and penalizing minor payment errors (resulting in more cost to the states); and

29 WHEREAS, counties operate under state-imposed property tax levy limits, restricting their ability to
30 offset such funding losses without additional state or federal relief;

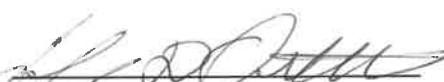
1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kewaunee County Board of Supervisors assembled
 2 this 21st day of October, 2025 urges the State of Wisconsin to provide funding to offset the county fiscal
 3 impact caused by the enacted federal SNAP changes, and to work with counties to ensure adequate
 4 resources for the administration of FoodShare and related programs; and

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Kewaunee County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to
 6 send a copy of this Resolution to the Governor of the State of Wisconsin, Wisconsin State Legislators
 7 with a constituency within Kewaunee County, the Wisconsin Counties Association, and the Wisconsin
 8 County Human Service Association.

Respectfully Submitted,

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE


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APPROVED AS TO FORM

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 Respectfully Submitted,

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

To be determined

	Y E S	N O	A B S E N T	A B S T A I N
Agamaite, S.	✓			
Augustian, A.	✓			
Baker, D.	✓			
Browne, S.	✓			
Guillette, N.	✓			
Jahnke, S.	✓			
Kinnard, T.			✓	
Kroll, K.	✓			
Lazansky, J.			✓	
Lukes, J.	✓			
Olson, D.	✓			
Örtlieb, J.	✓			
Paape, G.	✓			
Patrycia, B.	✓			
Romdenne, T.	✓			
Shelton, W.	✓			
Swagel, M.	✓			
Teske, L.	✓			
Vollenweider, J.	✓			
Zeitler, P.	✓			
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