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6. INCOME

The gross income, both earned and unearned, of each member of the household is to be considered in determining eligibility. The gross income of an individual who, due to a court order, is not included in the number of household members eligible for assistance is to be counted in determining eligibility for the household unit. Money that is paid to a household member by another household member is not considered income.

a. Income Levels

No eligible household shall exceed the income maximums set by the VDSS, except households in which all members are SSI recipients. If all household members except SSI, follow instructions in the Interim Business Process (IBP) entitled "Energy Assistance Cases Incorrectly Denied for SSI Income" to approve the household. The maximum monthly countable income for each household size is:

Household Size	Maximum Income		Household Size	Maximum Income
1	\$1,995		11	\$9,095
2	\$2,705		12	\$9,805
3	\$3,415		13	\$10,515
4	\$4,125		14	\$11,225
5	\$4,835		15	\$11,935
6	\$5,545		16	\$12,645
7	\$6,255		17	\$13,355
8	\$6,965		18	\$14,065
9	\$7,675		19	\$14,775
10	\$8,385		20	\$15,485

Note: for each extra member over 20, add \$710.

b. Exempt Income

The following exemptions will be applied in establishing eligibility for any EAP component.

- 1) Home produce of the assistance unit utilized for their own consumption.
- 2) The value of SNAP benefits.
- 3) The value of foods donated under the U.S.D.A. Commodity Distribution Program, including those furnished through school meal programs.