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SNAP Change...

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The recipient is not meeting another exemption (like disability, being unfit for work and exempt from work registration).

"Previously exempted categories, such as veterans, the homeless, and former foster youth, no longer meet exemption requirements," Steele said.

Jessica Klein, a policy associate with the Kentucky Center for Economic Policy, said the "red tape" could result in 114,000 losing their benefits based on analyses from 2018, when work reporting requirements led to 30,000 people losing benefits.

"The 25 years that work reporting requirements have been included in SNAP policy, have pointed to the evidence that it doesn't improve work outcomes, it doesn't create new or meaningful employment, and what it does do is create that additional paperwork that people have to fill out on a monthly basis," Klein said. "This is in addition to all of the other documentation and paperwork that people in this population have to submit for SNAP and for other programs that they participate in."

Work reporting requirements "are not effective at improving work outcomes," Klein said, "but they're very effective at creating red tape for participants."

People who don't meet the requirements will "only be eligible to receive SNAP for 3 months during a 36-month period unless they become exempt," according to the cabinet.

Shannon Moody, chief officer of strategic initiatives with Kentucky Youth Advocates, said the expansion rules will put a "squeeze" on elderly Kentuckians who are raising minor relatives — a population already seeing other assistance cut.

The increased work requirements will put an additional strain on grandparents who aren't working or have left the workforce "in order to care for their relative kids in some kinship situations," Moody said.

Former foster youth, who until now were exempt from work reporting, already have lower educational attainment than their non-foster peers, Moody said.

She worries they will have to choose between school and eating: "it's pretty tough to juggle both" work and school, she said.

Shannon Moody, Kentucky Youth Advocates' Chief Officer of Strategic Initiatives.

"We definitely have some concerns when it comes to our former foster youth. They are not typically working in the highest paid jobs, they are not typically accessing a lot of other supports," she said. "We know that they're often coping with the traumas that they've dealt with as children that are affecting their ability to care for themselves."

These new rules are taking effect even during a government shutdown that threatens to cut off SNAP benefits altogether in November, Klein said.

"I think that might be getting lost in the stress that is coming to families when having to manage not having the benefits that they need," she said.

The Trump administration said funding for SNAP ran out on Nov. 1, leaving around 563,080 Kentuckians to face even worse food insecurity. Gov. Andy Beshear and other Democrats sued the U.S. Department of Agriculture over the decision to halt funding for the program and two judges ruled Friday it was illegal to withhold money in a SNAP contingency fund. President Donald Trump said his administration was awaiting further guidance from the courts and that in any event SNAP benefits, which are loaded onto electronic benefit transfer cards, would be delayed in November because of the government shutdown.

Regardless of the shutdown's effect on SNAP, people who cannot meet work reporting requirements and lose SNAP benefits will likely lean more heavily on food pantries, which are already struggling to keep up with the demands of a state with high rates of food insecurity, experts said.

"I think we are going to see families turn to food banks, families turning to other assistance within communities that doesn't rely on federal or state funding," Moody said. "And then, unfortunately, we may be seeing people just going hungry; kids being sent to school having not eaten at all since their previous school meal or breakfast

but cannot be fully utilized until the City can meet local matching commitments.

The complaints from the public dealt with the inability for potential customers to get hooked up to the water system due to the City's lack of available water. Related complaints included discolored water, mud or dirt in the system, and low water pressure.

By and large, the people were understanding about the city's problems, but they have been waiting three to four years for relief.

Adding to the City's problems: the City's water treatment plant upgrade is 85 percent complete but is currently on hold due to computer software problems and the Hazel Green Waterline project is on hold.

A representative from Kentucky River Area Development District noted that while grant money to speed up the City's plans is available, the major problem in finalizing the funds can be blamed on government red tape.

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From The Lexington Herald-Leader

Martha Layne Collins, Ky's first woman governor and Toyota dealmaker, dies at 88

By Karla Ward and Austin Horn

Gov. Martha Layne Collins, the first and only woman to serve as governor of Kentucky, died Saturday, Nov. 1.

She was 88 years old.

Collins was only the third woman in the United States to be elected to a gubernatorial office, defeating Republican Jim Bunning to serve from 1983 to 1987.

She chaired the Democratic National Convention in 1984 and was considered by presidential candidate Walter Mondale as a running mate.

Collins said in a video shared

by the Kentucky Women's History Project that she "had to convince voters that I not only had good ideas and experience, but that a woman — a woman — could lead the state."

"I opened a door that will never, ever be closed again," she said. "No woman running for governor of Kentucky will ever again have to answer the question, 'Can a woman do this job?'"

One of Collins' most enduring achievements was luring Toyota to Georgetown, a move that created thousands of jobs and has had a lasting economic impact on the region.

Purple paint now warns against trespassing in Ky.

FROM OUTDOOR NEWS — A new state law allows landowners to use purple paint to show their property is posted against trespassing.

Kentucky passed its Purple Paint Law in 2024 — requirements and specifics of the legislation are found in KRS 511.070. Violation of the law can result in a misdemeanor charge of second-degree criminal trespass.

Under the new law, purple paint applied to trees or fence posts serves as legal notice that entering the property without permission is prohibited. The purple paint marks must be vertical lines of not less than 8 inches in length and not less than 1 inch wide.

Purple marks must be 3-5

feet off the ground and placed at locations readily visible to any person approaching the property. Marks must be placed at least every 100 feet on forested land and 1,000 feet on open land.

This law spares landowners the expense and nuisance of hanging multiple No Trespassing signs. Signs can be vandalized removed or blown away during storms. Applying purple paint makes a more permanent boundary marking and provides a continuous notice to those who may not see a posted sign.

If a Kentucky hunter sees purple marks on a tree or fence post, then they should not enter that property without permission. (Submitted by Lanny Bolin)

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By Sandra Carpenter

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the water line installations for the Campton water department. Mayor May had invited Rep. Tim Truett and Sen. Brandon Smith to attend the meeting to discuss needed funding, but both had other commitments.

One piece of good news: John Pence of Bell Engineering reported that as of Nov. 3, the Hazel Green pump station is operational. A "work-around" pump was installed temporarily at a cost of \$45,000 which the City had no match. This was made necessary due to the inability of the Morgan County Water District to fulfill an earlier agreement to provide water to relieve supply problems in the Hazel Green area.

It was learned that the the City's only water source currently is Wolfe Lake. A well opened last year to supplement the supply for Wolfe County users had to be shut down due to problems caused by high concentrations of manganese and iron in the well water.

A remedy to Campton's supply problem is planned: When Beattyville gets its water system upgrade completed it has agreed to sell water to Campton, which will tap into their system. The City is also working with Frenchburg, which has agreed to sell water to Wolfe County. It is believed that once these two things occur, Wolfe County's water shortage problem will be eased unless something else occurs.

The biggest problem is funding. Grant money is available

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