



## **PO 105.6: Food Stamps**

The Food Stamp program is designed to help people buy food, by supplementing the cash they have available to buy food. It helps raise the level of nutrition for people who have low income. A person does not have to receive help from a cash or medical program to receive food stamps. Receipt of food stamps does not change the amount of cash or medical someone receives. A person is eligible for food stamps when they meet the rules and income and asset levels for the Food Stamp program.

Only FS unit members, or other persons selected by them, may use the food stamp benefits to purchase food for the FS unit.

**Food stamps can be used:**

- to pay for meals-on-wheels; *or*
- to pay for group community dining; *or*
- at approved shelters, restaurants, treatment centers, and group living homes.

**Food stamps cannot be used:**

- to buy non-food items; *or*
- to pay old grocery bills; *or*
- to buy hot foods that can be eaten right away.

