



# MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

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1-800-332-6347  
Website info: mymdthink.maryland.gov  
TTY: 1-800-735-2258 or 7-1-1

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This is an Approval Notice/Esta es una notificación de aprobación

Dear <insert Parent/Guardian name>,

We have processed your Maryland SUN Bucks application received on <insert application date>. This notice outlines our decision and the next steps.

## What is our decision?

Program	Individual(s)	Decision Summary
Maryland SUN Bucks	<insert child(ren)'s name(s)>	The following children in your household are eligible for Maryland SUN Bucks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>&lt; insert child's name&gt;</li><li>&lt; insert child's name&gt;</li></ul>

 Additional Information
<b>Benefit Amount</b> <p>Your household will receive a monthly benefit of \$40 for June, July, and August for each eligible child (\$120 total). If your household currently receives SNAP or TCA benefits, your Maryland SUN Bucks will be loaded on the existing EBT card (also known as Independence Card). If your household does not receive SNAP or TCA benefits, a new "Maryland SUN Bucks" card in your child's name will be mailed to you.</p>

**Important Notes:**

Maryland SUN Bucks benefits expire 122 days after their issuance date. Once they have expired, you will not be able to use them and they can not be reissued. If you receive Maryland SUN Bucks in addition to regular active SNAP benefits on an existing EBT card, Maryland SUN Bucks will automatically be used before your SNAP benefits since they expire first.

A household may not receive more than \$120 Maryland SUN Bucks per eligible child in 2024 or receive the benefit from more than one State. There are no circumstances whereby a household can use two separate benefits issued to the same child(ren). If you knowingly use duplicate benefits, you could be responsible for repaying the benefits, you or your children may lose benefits, and you may be prosecuted under applicable State and federal laws. If you believe your child may have received duplicate benefits, please call 1-800-332-6347 and select the option for Maryland SUN Bucks and destroy any duplicate SUN Bucks cards that you received. Only use benefits from the State where the child completed the 2023-2024 school year.

If you change your mind and no longer want to receive Maryland SUN Bucks benefits, you may opt out of the program by calling 1-800-332-6347 and selecting the Maryland SUN Bucks option.

**Supporting Rule:** Code of Federal Regulations 7 CFR 292.12

**What if you disagree with our decision?**

If you disagree with our decision, there are several things you can do. You can:

1. Call us at the DHS Customer Call Center at 1-800-332-6347 and select the option for Maryland SUN Bucks. Have this letter and your case number ready when you call.
2. Request a Fair Hearing. You have the right to ask us to review our decision at a fair hearing. Read the section on "Your Right to a Fair Hearing."
3. You have the right to reapply for Maryland SUN Bucks at any time.

**Will receiving Maryland SUN Bucks affect my family's immigration status?**

NO. Receiving Maryland SUN Bucks will not affect your family's immigration status.

**Where can you get more information?**

If you have any questions about the Maryland SUN Bucks program, please call 1-800-332-6347 and select the Maryland SUN Bucks option. Be sure to have this letter and your case number ready when you call. You may also read the answers to frequently asked questions regarding Maryland SUN Bucks on our website at [dhs.maryland.gov/sunbucks/](https://dhs.maryland.gov/sunbucks/).

**Updating Your Address**

It is very important that you notify us if you move. If we do not have your current address, you will not receive important letters about Maryland SUN Bucks and other programs. You may also report an address change in person at the nearest Local Department of Social Services or by calling 1-800-332-6347 and selecting the option for Maryland SUN Bucks.

### Protect Your Benefits!

If you receive SNAP or other benefits and have an Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) card, your benefits may be accessed by unauthorized individuals.

**Lock Your EBT or Maryland SUN Bucks Card:** Keep your benefits protected from thieves by using the EBT Card Lock/Unlock feature. To use Card Lock, download the ConnectEBT app on your mobile device or login to your account at <https://www.connectebt.com/mdebtclient/>. To learn more about ways in which you may safely use your EBT card, scan the QR code below using your mobile device camera or go to our website, [www.dhs.maryland.gov/prevent-ebt-theft/](http://www.dhs.maryland.gov/prevent-ebt-theft/)



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