Food Stamp Award Letters

The below clarification and attached examples demonstrate the acceptable options of what a client can submit to show proof of food stamps.

1. The first print out from the Access website is the best option. If a client can log into their account and print out the current benefits to reflect the month that their recertification and/or placement occurs, then that is the preferred option.
   ***See Instructions to access correct Food Stamps Verification to assist a client in need.***

2. If a client cannot obtain the print out from the Access website, then they may present the letter in the 2nd example. Finally, their last option is the 3rd page in the attachment.

3. The client's recertification and/or placement must occur during the time frame given on the award letter. For example, if the client's recertification/placement occurs in November, all three letters are acceptable since they cover this time frame as follows:
   a. Example 1: 11/1/16-11/30/16

4. If a client goes to DCF and they receive the print screen, that is also acceptable as long as it contains the necessary information.
My Information

Case Information

Current Contact Information

The following information is for

Name(s)

Telephone

Food Assistance Status

Group Members Information

Explaination of Case Action

FEDERAL COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENTS FOR FOOD ASSISTANCE

Back to Benefit Details
September 1, 2016

Case: [Redacted]

Phone: (866) 762-2237

Dear [Redacted]

The following is information about your eligibility.

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**Food Assistance**

The following is information about your Food Assistance benefits:

Your Food Assistance benefits will increase as shown below due to a change in your household's circumstances.

**Household Size:** 4

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**Benefit Amount:** $649.00

Did you know you now have an on-line account with us? Go to [www.myflorida.com/accessflorida](http://www.myflorida.com/accessflorida). You will need your case number, [Redacted] to activate your My ACCESS Account. Then you can get into your account with a user name and password of your choice.

For Food Assistance benefits, the only change you must report during your certification period is when your household's monthly gross income is more than your income limit of $2,833.00. You must report this change within 10 days following the end of the month the change happens. If your household income was higher than this amount at the time of your last application or review, you should report changes at the next review. If you fail to report changes as required, or if the information you provide is not correct, you may have to repay any benefits you receive for which you were not eligible and you may be prosecuted for fraud. You must report other changes and your household's situation...
Dear [Name]

The following is information about your eligibility.

**Food Assistance**

Your application for Food Assistance dated May 24, 2016 is **approved**. You are eligible for the months listed below:

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Before your eligibility ends, we will send you a letter telling you what to do to keep getting Food Assistance. To keep your Food Assistance from ending, you will need to complete a review by November 30, 2016. You can use the website at [www.myflorida.com/accessflorida](http://www.myflorida.com/accessflorida) to do this on My ACCESS Account.

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