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There was a news article from KTOO news, played on KFSK this morning, noting that the State of Alaska has not issued SNAP checks to eligible residents SINCE OCTOBER! It's being reported that persons have been asked to reapply for these benefits but the State of Alaska has provided no information about why these benefits are delayed, when they might be reinstated, or if these benefits will be retroactively be funded.

Alaska has been suffering big increases in the cost of goods and some very low temperatures. Some families are having to decide whether or not to feed their families or provide heat (listen to the KTOO article on line). This is a disaster and needs to be immediately addressed. I don't know how many families in our community are being impacted by this, but it's probably enough to be of a concern for all of us. Please send a letter to the Governor asking WHY these essential benefits are not being paid? Also, ask that payments be retroactive to October.

Thank you for following up. THIS IS URGENT!

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