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To: Department of Transitional Assistance Staff
From:  Sarah Stuart, Associate Commissioner for Local Implementation and Special Populations
Re: Cross Programs: Mass Cultural Council's Creative Grants

Overview

Mass Cultural Council, an independent state agency that supports arts, humanities, and sciences in Massachusetts, has announced that 385 Massachusetts artists, culture bearers, and creative practitioners have been awarded a one-time \$5000 Creative Grant. Many of these Grant recipients also have had their creative practice limited by poverty, and participate in DTA programs (SNAP, TAFDC, and EAEDC).

These one-time payments for Creative Individuals from Mass Cultural Council are non-countable for all DTA programs.

Purpose

The purpose of this Online Guide Transmittal is to advise staff of these one-time Creative Individuals Grants from Mass Cultural Council, as well as updates to the TAFDC, EAEDC and SNAP OLG pages regarding noncountable income.

**Revised Online
Guide Pages**

Topic: EAEDC
Book: Financial Requirements
Chapter: Income – EAFDC
Subchapter: Income Overview- EAEDC
Page: Noncountable Income – EAFDC

Topic: SNAP
Book: Eligibility Requirements
Chapter: Income
Subchapter: Noncountable Income
Page: Noncountable Income

Topic: TAFDC
Book: Financial Requirements
Chapter: Income – TAFDC
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Questions

If you have any policy or procedural questions, after conferring with the appropriate TAO personnel, please have your Systems Information Specialists (SIS) or TAO management email them to [DTA.Procedural Issues](#).

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