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Peggy Fouts
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Dear Ms. Fouts:

In the March 21, 2012 memo received from the USDA concerning Able Bodied Adults Without Dependents (ABAWDs), Kentucky is one of forty-six (46) states that qualify for a twelve (12) month statewide ABAWD waiver due to meeting the criteria for extended unemployment benefits. The memo states that state agencies must provide their Food and Nutrition Service regional office written notification of their decision to adopt the waiver by August 31, 2012.

Please regard this letter as notification that Kentucky will continue to suspend the time limits on ABAWDs through September 30, 2013. ABAWDs in Jefferson County will continue to be allowed to volunteer during this time period.

If there are any questions, please contact Linda Harshbarger at (502) 564-3440, ext. 4281.

Sincerely,

Teresa C. James by Mark Corbett, Deputy Commissioner

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