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Increase to the Micro-purchase Threshold

On October 1, the Office of Management and Budget increased the micro-purchase threshold from \$10,000 to \$15,000. Effective immediately, all Organizations (formerly known as Contracting Entities) can use this higher threshold when using the micro-purchase method of procurement. All handbooks will be updated soon to reflect this new threshold. All other procurement requirements remain unchanged.

USDA Foods Ordering Updates

TEFAP ordering catalogs for Quarter 3 Program Year 2026 are open and close on March 11, 2026. CSFP ordering has started, with deliveries scheduled for Q3 2026.

Click [here](#) to view the full article.

TANS Training Updates

The TANS Training environment will be down for a scheduled update on January 20, 2026, starting at 3:00 pm. The Training environment is expected to be accessible only to existing users by January 21, 2026.

Don't forget to check out the training resources located on [SquareMeals](#). Just as a reminder, the S/FMNP Applications training is covered in Parts 1-4 of the FDP Applications training videos and the FDP guide. S/FMNP Claims has its own separate training video and guide.

These tools are designed to help you get up to speed quickly and feel confident using the new features.



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