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Social programs 120 a los 65 and Ángel Guardián to be paid via PUNCH wallet

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Summary

Caja de Ahorros told the Cabinet Council on 2 November that its PUNCH digital wallet and card will be extended to MIDES programs 120 a los 65, Ángel Guardián and Red de Oportunidades, at no cost to beneficiaries.

Details (summary of the article)

Telemetro reports that Caja de Ahorros presented results of its PUNCH digital wallet to the Cabinet Council on Monday 2 November 2026. PUNCH, already used to pay IFARHU's PASE-U school grants, has served more than 709,000 students in three months, with over 414,000 Mastercard cards issued and more than 424,000 digital wallets downloaded. General manager Andrés Farrugia said the system will be extended progressively to MIDES social programs: 120 a los 65, Ángel Guardián and Red de Oportunidades, free of charge for beneficiaries. A partnership with Más Móvil Panamá lets users check their balance even without mobile data. The government aims to channel all social aid, over B/.2,600 million a year, through the platform. Cards cannot be used in bars, beauty salons and other businesses defined by IFARHU. No start date has yet been set for the three MIDES programs.

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