

IMPORTANT SNAP UPDATE

The Trump Administration is stopping SNAP (food stamps) funding for 42 million Americans during the federal government shutdown.

Beginning at midnight on Saturday, November 1, November benefits will not be available to 1.9 million Illinoisans who rely on SNAP to buy groceries. Benefits from months prior to November can still be used.

SNAP customers should visit snapfederalimpact.illinois.gov for the most up-to-date information and to find food locally.

- Who does this impact?
 - 1.9 million Illinoisans will go without new food benefits starting Nov. 1.
 - 45% of SNAP households have children, 44% include a person with a disability, and 37% include older adults living in the home.
- Our local economies will suffer.
 - SNAP supports close to 20,000 jobs in local grocery stores, farming, manufacturing, and transportation in Illinois.
 - Every \$1 invested in SNAP benefit yields an economic impact of \$1.50 to our local communities, resulting in a \$7.2 billion economic impact annually to the Illinois economy.
- How can you help?
 - Support your neighbors. Illinois food banks & pantries provide 1 meal to every 9 meals that SNAP provides. Donating cash to your local food bank or pantry is an efficient way to help. **Visit snapfederalimpact.illinois.gov to find your local food bank or food pantry.**
 - Advocate for federal funding. Contact the White House to request the Trump Administration fund November SNAP benefits & work with Congress to permanently reopen the government. One option is mailing letters to:

The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20500

