

The Supplement Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) helps low income households stretch their food budgets to buy healthy foods.



How it works

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) helps low-income households that meet eligibility requirements.

A household may consist of an individual, or a group of individuals, who live together and purchase and prepare their food together. The household's gross monthly income must be below 130% of the federal poverty guidelines. Some households with incomes over that limit may still qualify if someone in the household is elderly or disabled.

Your benefit amount is determined based on your income and household expenses, such as rent/mortgage costs, gas, electric, water, sewer, phone medical expenses, and payments for child support or child care. Other factors include the number of people in the household who purchase and prepare food together and, in some instances, cash, savings, and stocks.

Stark County Job & Family Services

Division of Human Services

221 3rd St. SE, Canton, OH 44702
Cash, food, & medical assistance applications
Customer service: 1-844-640-OHIO (6446)
Child Care: 330-452-4661

Division of Children Services

402 2nd St. SE, Canton, OH 44702
Report child abuse and neglect: 330-455-KIDS
Foster care and adoption: 330-451-8789

Division of Child Support

221 3rd St. SE, Canton, OH 44702
Customer service: 330-451-8930
Payment information: JFS.ohio.gov/ocs

Executive Offices

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What can I buy with SNAP benefits?

You can use your SNAP benefits to buy most food or food products. The following items may not be purchased:

- Alcoholic beverages and/or tobacco
- Vitamins and/or medicine
- Hot food products that are prepared to be eaten immediately
- Non-food items such as pet food, paper products, soaps and household supplies

You may not sell or trade SNAP benefits, buy non-food items, or use your SNAP benefits to buy food for someone who is not a member of your household.

How do I apply?

The most efficient way to apply is by calling 1-844-640-OHIO (6446). An audio signature is required.

If you cannot apply by phone, you can call 330-451-8500 to request a paper application by mail. You can also apply:

- **Online:** Visit www.benefits.ohio.gov
- **By fax:** Fax application to 330-451-8022 or 330-451-8925
- **In person or by mail:** Drop off or deliver signed and completed application to our office at 221 3rd St. SE, Canton, OH 44702

What do I need to apply?

You will need the following to apply:

- Proof of identity (driver's license or state ID)
- Social Security number or proof you have applied for Social Security card
- Proof of income (pay stubs, tax records or child support notices)
- Proof of recent job loss, if applicable, including last pay date and gross income amount
- Proof of child care/dependent care costs
- Proof of child support paid for children who do not live with you
- Proof of housing and utility costs

You may also be asked to provide other documents. If you need help getting documents, tell your caseworker.

What to expect after you apply?

You are required to complete an interview as part of the application process. Verifications will be requested at that time. If benefits are approved, an Ohio Direction Card will be issued to you.

If you have any questions after your case is opened, please contact: 1-844-640-OHIO (6446).

What if my Ohio Directions Card is lost, stolen, or doesn't work?

If your Ohio Direction Card is lost, stolen, or fails to work properly, or needs a PIN reset, please call 1-866-386-3071.



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Mail:

U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
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Fax:

(833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442

Email:

Program.Intake@usda.gov

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