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BASIC INFORMATION SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP)* (*FORMERLY FOOD STAMPS)



What is the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)?

SNAP is the Federal Food Assistance Program. Using a Benefit Security Card issued from the government, individuals can buy most food in grocery stores. SNAP Benefits cannot buy non-food items such as detergent, beer, diapers, and pet food.

Who can get SNAP Benefits?

A "household" can receive SNAP Benefits. A "household" is either one person or a group of people who buy and prepare their food together. There can be more than one household living in the same house.



How many stamps can a household get?

The number of household members, the income, and some household expenses determine the amount of the SNAP Benefits.

Where can a household get them?

If you can, visit the local SNAP Benefits office to apply. The Department of Human Services (DHS) is the SNAP Benefits office. If you call or write for an application, DHS should send you a form to complete. DHS in Tennessee has an internet application on its website, if you have access to a computer, you can apply on line.

What will they ask me?

You must give the following information to the worker:

- The names and ages of all household members.
- Wage stubs and proof of all income for the last eight weeks (including child support).
- Proof of all resources (savings and checking accounts).
- Proof of home address. If you are homeless, they should process your application without an address.
- Proof of rent or mortgage.
- Proof of your identity.
- Proof of household size.
- Social security number(s) for all household members.
- Proof of disability, if you are disabled.
- Proof of recent utility bills (gas, electric, water, phone).
- Proof of child care expenses.
- Proof of medical expenses for folks 60 or older and those receiving SS/SSI/Disability payments, 100% veterans and most other disability benefits.
- Proof of immigrant status of anyone applying for SNAP Benefits.

Note: If the DHS worker is not sure of your identity, home address or other household members, he/she can contact someone who knows your situation called a "collateral contact".

Take all the information that you can to the interview. If you can not find all of it, still, go to the interview.

Do not skip the interview. Call the DHS office if you must reschedule.



DID YOU KNOW?

Expedited Service...SNAP Benefits in 7 days

Certain very needy households may receive SNAP Benefits within 7 days after they apply. If you are not eligible for the 7 day service, the DHS worker will have 30 days to interview you, see if you are eligible, and if so, send you a SNAP benefit security card to help buy your food.

Some Students are Eligible for SNAP Benefits

If you are between the ages of 18 and 50; and you are enrolled at least half time in a college or university, you may be eligible to receive Food Stamps, if you meet **one** of the following requirements:



- You are employed at least 20 hours a week and paid for the work;
- You are getting federal or state work-study money;
- You are a full-time student who is single and responsible for the care of a child under 12;
- You are a part-time student responsible for the care of a child under six;
- You are a part-time student responsible for a child between six and 11 and adequate child care is not available;
- You are getting Families First;
- You are going to school under a state program approved by DHS.

Even if a student is not eligible, other eligible people in the household may receive SNAP Benefits.

WHO DO I CONTACT FOR HELP WITH SNAP BENEFITS?

West Tennessee Legal Services has offices in four counties and provides services to qualified individuals in 17 counties. Our contact information is

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WHERE DO I APPLY FOR SNAP BENEFITS?

Call or go to the local Department of Human Services in your County for more information.

<i>Benton County</i>	<i>216 Highway 641 N</i>	<i>Camden, TN 38320</i>	<i>731.584.4712</i>
<i>Carroll County</i>	<i>20810 East Main Street</i>	<i>Huntingdon, TN 38344</i>	<i>731.986.2554</i>
<i>Chester County</i>	<i>525 North Church Avenue</i>	<i>Henderson, TN 38340</i>	<i>731.989.5144</i>
<i>Crockett County</i>	<i>169 Cherry Street North</i>	<i>Alamo, TN 38001</i>	<i>731.696.5441</i>
<i>Decatur County</i>	<i>425 West Highland Street</i>	<i>Decaturville, TN 38329</i>	<i>731.852.2981</i>
<i>Dyer County</i>	<i>1979 St. John Ave. Suite E</i>	<i>Dyersburg, TN 38024</i>	<i>731.286.8305</i>
<i>Gibson County</i>	<i>1246 A Manufacturers Row</i>	<i>Trenton, TN 38382</i>	<i>731.855.7800</i>
<i>Hardeman County</i>	<i>795 Tennessee Street</i>	<i>Bolivar, TN 38008</i>	<i>731.658.5545</i>
<i>Hardin County</i>	<i>1035 A Wayne Road</i>	<i>Savannah, TN 38372</i>	<i>731.925.4968</i>
<i>Haywood County</i>	<i>1199 S. Dupree Street</i>	<i>Brownsville, TN 38012</i>	<i>731.772.4242</i>
<i>Henderson County</i>	<i>37 College Drive</i>	<i>Lexington, TN 38351</i>	<i>731.968.3652</i>
<i>Henry County</i>	<i>1023 Mineral Wells Suite F</i>	<i>Paris, TN 38242</i>	<i>731.644.7350</i>
<i>Lake County</i>	<i>660 Carl Perkins Parkway</i>	<i>Tiptonville, TN 38079</i>	<i>731.253.7716</i>
<i>Madison County</i>	<i>1124 Whitehall Street Suite E</i>	<i>Jackson, TN 38301</i>	<i>731.426.0873</i>
<i>McNairy County</i>	<i>855 East Popular Street</i>	<i>Selmer, TN 38375</i>	<i>731.645.7994</i>
<i>Obion County</i>	<i>1416 Stad Avenue</i>	<i>Union City, TN 38261</i>	<i>731.884.2603</i>
<i>Weakley County</i>	<i>8616 Highway 22</i>	<i>Dresden, TN 38225</i>	<i>731.364.3128</i>