

SNAP Updates Board

The SNAP situation is fluid and information is changing rapidly. Return here every Wednesday to see the latest updates.

Weekly Policy Updates:

11/13/2025

- The Government has reopened. Federal workers have returned to their jobs.
- SNAP has been funded through the next year.

11/10/2025

- After many lawsuits, the Trump administration is issuing full November SNAP payments.
- Payments should be received on EBT cards by the end of the week
- The state's ABAWD waiver has been reinstated. New Work requirements will now go into effect in March (where March 2026 is the first countable month).

11/6/2025:

- A federal judge ordered the Trump Administration to issue full SNAP payments for SNAP for November. The Trump Administration has appealed that decision.

11/5/2025:

- Last week, two federal judges ruled that the Trump administration must maintain SNAP benefits during the ongoing government shutdown, [blocking the administration's attempt to cut off food assistance](#) for 42 million Americans.
- Currently, the USDA will be issuing partial payments through contingency funding with warnings of delays, potentially up to several weeks.

10/29/2025:

- Governor Hochul also [declared a State of Emergency](#), and announcing \$106 million in NYS funds to go to food banks

Resources:

- *Feeding America:* [Find Free Food + Groceries](#)
- *Food Bank for NYC:* [NYC Food Map](#)

- *Food Pantries of America:* [Food Finder](#)
- [FindHelp.org](#)
- [Food Research & Action Center](#)
- *NYS Official Resources Page:* ny.gov/FoodAssistance
- *NYC Official Food Finder:* [Map](#)
- *NY Common Pantry:* [Pantries in Harlem and the Bronx](#)
- *NYC Public Advocate:* [Resources for New Yorkers Affected by SNAP Cuts](#)

Background Information:

- **What is a Government Shutdown?**
 - On October 1st, 2025, the U.S. federal government went into a “shutdown” because Congress did not pass the budget bill needed to fund many government agencies and programs. Many federal workers were fired or furloughed, and agencies are running out of money for their programs.
- **Why are SNAP funds frozen?**
 - Democrats and Republicans cannot come to an agreement about the next budget and social service agencies have run out of money for November.
- **What about new work requirements on SNAP? Do I still need to comply with those even though I might not receive my benefit this month?**
 - The new work requirements also went into effect on November 1st, 2025
 - **YES**, you need to start showing that you are engaging in work/work-related activities for 80 hours/month to keep SNAP benefits for more than 3 months UNLESS:
 - You are younger than age 18, or age 65 or older,
 - Someone in your household is 13 or younger
 - You are pregnant
 - You are unable to work at least 80 hours per month because of a physical or mental health reason
 - You are taking care of a child younger than age 6
 - Taking care of an incapacitated person
 - You receive SSI
 - [More information on the new requirements](#)

Learn More:

- [Judge Orders Trump Administration to Fully Fund SNAP Benefits This Month - The New York Times](#)
- [When SNAP benefits will arrive may depend on where you live. Here’s what communities are doing to help : NPR](#)

- [Judge says Trump administration must pay SNAP benefits, after NY and other states sue - Gothamist](#)
- [Some SNAP Recipients May Not Receive Food Stamps in November Amid Government Shutdown - The New York Times](#)