



Information about SNAP

WHAT IS SNAP?

 SNAP is a federal program that provides monthly funds for people to buy food they need to survive & thrive. Eligibility and benefit levels are based on household size, income and other factors.

•Through SNAP, you will get a monthly deposit on your EBT (Electronic Benefits Transfer) card. It functions similarly to a debit card, which can be used in select grocery stores and several farmers markets around NYC to purchase food.

Links to Informative Sheets about WIC

oNYC Human Resources Administration

#nglish: <u>https://www.nyc.gov/site/hra/help/snap-benefits-food-program.page</u>

+Spanish: <u>https://www.nyc.gov/site/hra/help/snap-benefits-food-program.page</u>

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★Spanish: <u>https://a069-access.nyc.gov/accesshra/</u>
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Dispelling Myths/Misinformation

" **SNAP is only for Families**" SNAP is for anyone and everyone who applies. Children, seniors, or people with disabilities can qualify. College students, able-bodied individuals, and households without children may also qualify for SNAP benefits.

" SNAP will make you a Public Charge" Applying for or receiving SNAP does NOT make you a public charge and will not be considered in a public charge determination. Applying for or receiving SNAP will NOT affect your ability to remain in the United States, get a green card, keep a green card, or become a US citizen. This federal right will remain the same regardless of the US president.

Household Size	Maximum Allotment	Eligibility Criteria
1	\$281	
2	\$516	
3	\$740	
4	\$939	
5	\$1,116	
6	\$1,339	
7	\$1,480	
8	\$1,691	
For each additional member	\$ 211 +	

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	1 •	2	3	4	5	+1 + 👤
GROSS MONTHLY INCOME	\$ \$1,396	\$ \$1,888	\$ \$2,379	\$ \$2,871	\$ \$3,363	\$ + \$492

Medicaid Recertification

Regarding Medicaid/CHIP renewals that you should be aware of:

•In March 2020, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) temporarily waived certain Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) requirements and conditions. The easing of these rules helped prevent people with Medicaid and CHIP from losing their health coverage during the pandemic. As of February 1, 2023, states were allowed to restart Medicaid and CHIP eligibility reviews. Some people currently receiving Medicaid and CHIP may lose their coverage through the renewal process.

oIt is important to note that renewal alerts will be sent to the household direction you put on file when applying for Medicaid/CHIP.

 $\circ \text{Use}$ links below to access your accounts and make sure you are on top of your benefits.

+Easy access phone call for questions: HRA Medicaid Helpline at 1-888-692-6116

•Helpful links:

<u>https://www.medicaid.gov/resources-for-states/coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19/unwinding-and-returning-regular-operations-after-covid-19/renew-your-medicaid-or-chip-coverage/index.html</u>

+Fact Sheet PDF in Spanish

<u>https://www.medicaid.gov/medicaid/downloads/renueve-su-cobertura-de.pdf</u>

Community Organizations that Support with SNAP Enrollment

∘CPC

+Offers services in Mandarin, Cantonese, Spanish & English for SNAP +150 Elizabeth St. New York, NY 10012 +https://www.cpc-nyc.org/

○Mixteca

Help with enrollment for SNAP in Spanish and English 24523rd Street 2nd Floor Brooklyn, NY 11215 https://www.mixteca.org/

•Center for Family Life

+Offers SNAP assistance in Spanish +443 39th Street Brooklyn, NY 11232 +https://centerforfamilylife.or g/

• Hunger Free America

- The Benefits Access team is here to help. Call <u>(646) 355-1475</u> to set up a free, confidential consultation.
- + 50 Broad St. Suite 1504 New York, NY 10004
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 - English: (646) 355-1475
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INFORMATION ABOUT WIC

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WIC focuses on the nutritional well-being of pregnant individuals, new parents, and children up to five years of age.
WIC offers money to support in purchasing nutritional foods, counseling, education, and breastfeeding support.
Eligibility and benefit levels are based on NYC residence (your immigration status does not matter), and household income.

 Through WIC, you will get a monthly deposit on your eWIC card. It functions similarly to a debit card, which can be used in select grocery stores and farmers markets around NYC to purchase WIC approved foods for you and your children.

Links to translated fact sheets for more detailed info

- English: <u>https://www.fns.usda.gov/wic/wic-fact-sheet</u>
 <u>https://www.fns.usda.gov/wic/wic-how-apply</u>
 - https://access.nyc.gov/programs/women-infants-andchildren-wic/
 - □ This website can be translated in Spanish and Chinese

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"I'm pregnant, but I don't have a child yet" Pregnant moms to be can also be considered for WIC based on eligibility

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"I'm not the biological mother, so my family won't qualify for WIC" Any young child, no matter which parent or guardian they live with can be considered for the WIC program

- Non-parent applicants applying to become the guardian for a child need to provide proof of guardianship or provide proof that they are the caretaker authorized by the parent to certify the child
- + Acceptable proofs of guardianship/caretaker include:
 - i. Legal custodial/guardianship agreement
 - ii. Documentation from another agency listing the applicant as receiving benefits on the child's behalf
 - iii. Letter from Human Services/DCFS for foster parents
 - iv. A signed letter from the parent assigning temporary custody of the child to the applicant
 - v. A signed letter from the parent authorizing the caretaker to certify the child.

Eligibility Criteria

Applicants for the NYS WIC Program must be:

- + A pregnant woman
- + An infant or child up to 5 years old
- + A mother of an infant up to 6 months old
- + A breastfeeding mother with an infant up to 12 months old
- + A father or caretaker applying for their children

• 2. Residential

- Applicants must be a resident of New York State.
- + We will not ask about visa status or citizenship. Your information is kept confidential.

• 3. Financial

+ Applicants must meet income eligibility guidelines (see table below) or receive Medicaid, SNAP (Food Stamps), or TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families)

Household Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice- Monthly	Bi-Weekly	Weekly		
1	\$26,973	\$2,248	\$1,124	\$1,038	\$519		
2	36,482	3,041	1,521	1,404	702		
3	45,991	3,833	1,917	1,769	885		
4	55,500	4,625	2,313	2,135	1,068		
5	65,009	5,418	2,709	2,501	1,251		
6	74,518	6,210	3,105	2,867	1,434		
7	84,027	7,003	3,502	3,232	1,616		
8	93,536	7,795	3,898	3,598	1,799		
For each additional member, add:	+\$9,509	+\$793	+\$397	+\$366	+\$183		

Gross Income

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