

# What is Food Assistance?

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or SNAP, helps people with low incomes buy healthy food. If you qualify for Ohio's Food Assistance Program you'll receive an Ohio Direction Card, which is like a special debit care for buying groceries. You can use this card at approved stores and farm markets to buy the food you need. The program's goal is to ensure everyone, regardless of their income, can afford nutritious meals.

On this page, you can learn more using the links on the left, or use the launch button to begin the application process in Ohio Benefits.

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at: <a href="https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/ad-3027.pdf">https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/ad-3027.pdf</a>, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to:

#### mail:

Food and Nutrition Service, USDA 1320 Braddock Place, Room 334 Alexandria, VA 22314; or

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fax:

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

3.

email:

FNSCIVILRIGHTSCOMPLAINTS@usda.gov

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Learn more about WIC - Women Infants, and Children

Ohio Farmers' Market EBT Directory

Summer Electronic Benefit Transfer Program for Children (Summer EBT or SUN Bucks)

## **Related Laws & Forms**

## **Forms**

Request for Cash, Food, and Medical Assistance (JFS 07200)

Your Rights (JFS 08000)

Program Enrollment and Benefit Information (JFS 07501)