

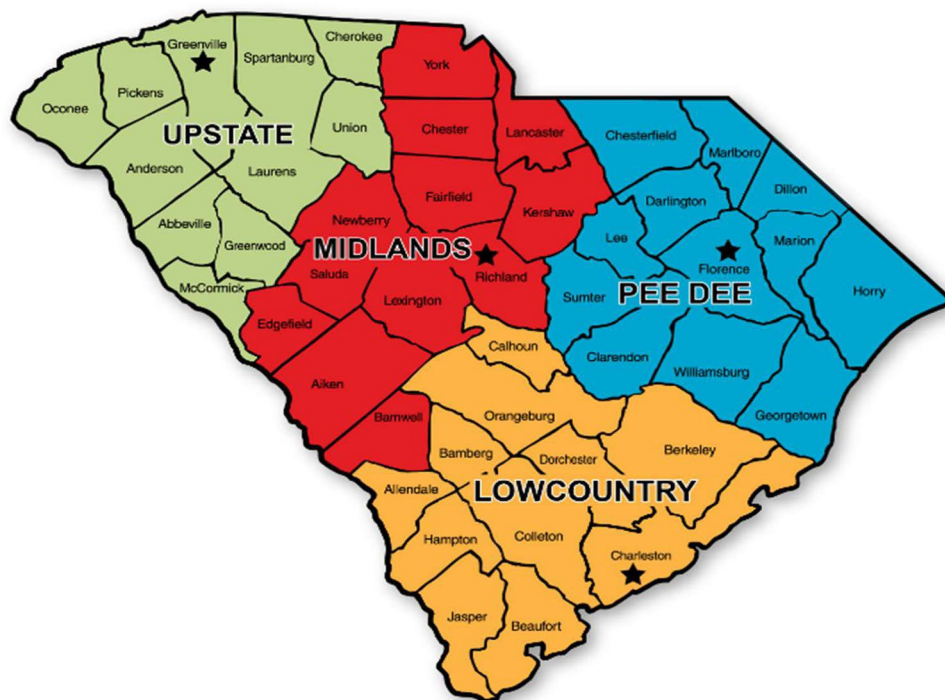


SNAP Toolkit

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What is SNAP?

SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program), formerly known as Food Stamp benefits, provides eligible low-income households with nutrition assistance by increasing the household's food purchasing power. SNAP helps eligible low-income households purchase food for good health such as: fruits, vegetables, and whole grains. SNAP is a cornerstone of support for struggling South Carolinians to feed their families and has implications for the State's economy as well. SNAP is the largest anti-hunger program in the United States and, therefore, is a vital component of the nutritional safety net for low-income Americans.

What is SNAP Outreach?

The SNAP Outreach Program provides application assistance and presentations to individuals and community groups who may be eligible to participate in SNAP. Presentations can be individually tailored to meet the requested needs and can cover program requirements and application assistance.

Application Process:

- The application should be filled out completely to the best of the individual's ability.
- An application is not considered valid unless it contains the applicant's name and address and the signature of a responsible household member or the household's authorized representative.
- The application process may take up to 30 days.
- Applications may be submitted in person, through an authorized representative, by fax or other electronic transmission, by mail, by completing an online electronic application; or by completing a telephonic application.

Types of SNAP case classifications:

1. ESAP
2. SCCAP
3. Regular SNAP

ESAP (Elderly Simplified Application Project)

To be qualified for SNAP as an ESAP recipient, the follow criteria must be met:

- All household members must be elderly (age 65 or older)
- The household has no earned income.
- No member of the household receives SNAP benefits under SCCAP.
- Complete an interview at initial application and reapplication.

SCCAP (South Carolina Combined Application Project)

To be qualified for SNAP as a SCCAP recipient, the follow criteria must be met:

- Must be receiving SSI in the amount of \$994.00 or \$1,014.00 for SSI and no other income
- The applicant has no earned income.
- The applicant lives alone or purchases and prepares meals separately if living with others.

Regular SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)

To find out if you are eligible for SNAP, you must submit an application in South Carolina. The following individuals are not eligible to participate in SNAP if one of the criteria below applies:

- Ineligible non-citizens
- Ineligible students
- Individuals disqualified for noncompliance with work requirements.
- Individuals disqualified due to an intentional program violation.
- Individuals who were convicted of a drug related felony based on behavior which occurred after August 22, 1996 (This list is not all inclusive)

SNAP Work Provisions

1. ABAWD
2. Work Registrant

ABAWD (Able-Bodied Adult Without Dependents)

- Must be at least 18 years of age but under the age of 65
- Must meet the ABAWD Work Requirement
- Recipient of SNAP benefits are limited to 3 months in a 36-month period if not meeting the ABAWD Work Requirement

Work Registrant

- **NOT** meeting an exemption from SNAP Work Requirements
- Register for work or be registered by the Agency at the time of application and every 12 months after initial registration.
- Provide the Agency with sufficient information regarding employment status or availability for work.
- Report to an employer to whom referred by the Agency if the potential employment meets the suitability requirements.
- Accept a bona fide offer of suitable employment.
- Do not voluntarily and without good cause quit a job of 30 or more hours a week or reduce work effort to less than 30 hours a week.

SNAP to Work Program (formally known as SNAP E&T)

The SNAP Employment & Training (E&T) Program provides training and employment opportunities to SNAP households to increase their income to reduce their dependency on SNAP benefits and lead to self-sufficiency. The SNAP E&T Program also assist SNAP recipients who are unemployed or underemployed who may need help with improving their skills to obtain gainful employment.

Components offered are:

- Work Readiness Training,
- High school diplomas, General Education Diplomas (GED), and literacy programs
- Vocational Training
- Job retention and job searches
- Workfare (volunteer opportunities) and Work Experience.

Participants can receive certificates & certifications in various areas (Commercial Driver's License [CDL], Certified Nursing Assistant [CNA], General Education Diplomas [GED], phlebotomy, welding, CNC [computer-numeric controlled] Operation, security, etc.) at no cost. E&T Coordinators can also help participants find employment.

SNAP E&T Program individual qualifications include:

- An open and active SNAP case and able to work.
- Must be 16 years of age or older and not attending high school.
- Cannot be receiving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) benefits.

The SNAP E&T Program is a voluntary program therefore, any SNAP only recipient who can work may be eligible to participate in the program ABAWDs and Work Registrants can utilize this program to meet their work requirement.

Support services will be available if needed for SNAP E&T participants. Support Services include the following:

- Transportation Assistance
- One Time Component Cost (ex. Uniforms, tools, welding glasses, etc.)
- Up to 52 weeks of Child Care
- Rental Assistance
- Technology Support Services (Tablet, MI-FI/Internet, Telephone Connectivity)
- Personnel Protective Equipment (PPE)
- Case Management
- Pathways Scholarship Program
- Entrepreneurship Program

Participation in the SNAP E&T Program also satisfies the Able-Bodied Adult Without Dependents (ABAWD) work requirement.

DSS Text to Connect Service

The South Carolina Department of Social Services (SCDSS) has partnered with the United Way Association of South Carolina to launch a new texting feature that conveniently connects families and individuals to DSS resources through mobile devices.

To access the services, the mobile device user simply needs to text “DSS” to 211211 and a menu of options will appear. Information on services including foster care, kinship care, adoption, childcare, child support, adult advocacy, SNAP/TANF, and reporting suspected abuse/neglect will appear. Upon making a choice, 211 will respond with a list of resources within seconds, making it easier for individuals and families to find what they are seeking quickly and clearly. This service is also available in Spanish.

SNAP Changes Effective October 1, 2025

(Income guidelines are updated annually)

USDA has adjusted the income eligibility for the Federal Fiscal Year 2026 which began October 1, 2025. **The gross income limits and the maximum SNAP allotments have been adjusted** as follows:

Income Guidelines

Household Size	Gross Monthly Income (130% of Poverty)	Maximum Monthly Allotment
1	\$1,696	\$298
2	\$2,292	\$546
3	\$2,888	\$785
4	\$3,483	\$994
5	\$4,097	\$1,183
6	\$4,675	\$1,421
7	\$5,271	\$1,571
8	\$5,867	\$1,789
Each additional member	\$596	\$218

Local County Office Listing

County	Address
Abbeville	909 West Greenwood St. Suite 1, Abbeville, SC 29620
Aiken	1410 Park Ave., SE Aiken, SC 29810 North Augusta Location 802 East Martintown Road, Suite 183 North Augusta, SC 29841
Allendale	521 Barnwell Highway, Allendale, SC 29625
Anderson	224 McGee Rd., Anderson, SC 2962
Bamberg	374 Log Branch Rd., Bamberg SC 29003
Barnwell	10913 Ellenton St. Barnwell, SC 29812 Mailing Address P.O. Box 1306 Barnwell, SC 29812
Beaufort	1905 Duke St. Beaufort, SC 29902 Mailing Address P.O. Box 1065 Beaufort, SC 29901
Berkeley	2 Belt Drive Moncks Corner, SC 29461
Calhoun	2831 Old Belleville Road St. Matthews, SC 29135 Mailing Address P.O. Box 467 St Matthews, SC 29135
Charleston	3685 Rivers Ave., Suite 101 N. Charleston, SC 29405
Cherokee	113 West Buford St. Gaffney, SC 29340
Chester	115 Reedy St. Chester, SC 29706
	Mailing Address P.O. Box 488 Chester, SC 29706

Chesterfield	203 Perry Wiley Way Chesterfield, SC 29709
Clarendon	236 Commerce Street Suite 2 Manning, SC 29102
Colleton	215 S. Lemacks St. Walterboro, SC 29488
Darlington	Mozingo Building, 300 Russell St. Darlington, SC 29532 Lamar Office 528 Cartersville Hwy Lamar, SC 29069 Mailing Address P.O. Drawer 1377, 130E. Camden Ave. Hartsville, SC 29551
Dillon	1211 Hwy. 34 W. Dillon, SC 29536 Mailing Address P.O. Box 1307 Dillon, SC 29536
Dorchester	1452 Boone Hill Rd Suite C Summerville, SC 29483 St. George Branch 201 Johnston St. St. George, SC 29477
Edgefield	120 W.A. Reel Drive Edgefield, SC 29824 Mailing Address P.O. Box 644 Edgefield, SC 29824
Fairfield	1136 Kincaid Bridge Road PO Box 210 Winnsboro, SC 29180
Florence	2685 S. Irby St. Florence, SC 29505 Lake City Office 345 S. Ron McNair Blvd. Lake City, SC 29560

Georgetown	330 Dozier St. Georgetown, SC 29440
Greenville	352 Halton Rd. Greenville, SC 29607
Greenwood	1118 Phoenix St. Greenwood, SC 29648 Mailing Address PO Box 1096 Greenwood, SC 29648
Hampton	102 Ginn Altman Ave., Ste. A Hampton, SC 29924
Horry	1951 Industrial Park Rd. Conway, SC 29526 Loris Office 3815 Walnut St. Loris, SC 29569 Myrtle Beach Office 1203 21st Ave North Myrtle Beach, SC 29577 South Strand Office 9630 Scipio Lane Myrtle Beach, SC 29588
Jasper	10908 North Jacob Smart Blvd. Ridgeland, SC 29936 Mailing Address P.O. Box 1359 Ridgeland, SC 29936
Kershaw	110 E. Dekalb St. Camden, SC 29020
Lancaster	1837 Pageland Hwy. Lancaster, SC 29720 Mailing Address P.O. Box 1719 Lancaster, SC 29721
Laurens	211 N. Broad Street, Suite B Clinton, SC 29325 Mailing Address P.O. Box 119 Clinton, SC 29325

Lee	820 Brown St. Bishopville, SC 29010 Mailing Address PO Box 389 Bishopville, SC 29010
Lexington	1070 S Lake Dr. Suite A Lexington, SC 29073 Mailing Address P.O. Box 84129 Lexington, SC 29073
McCormick	215 N. Mine St., Hwy 28 N. McCormick, SC 29835
Marion	137 Airport Court, Suite A Mullins, SC 29574
Marlboro	713 S. Parsonage St. Ext. Bennettsville, SC 29512 Mailing Address P.O. Drawer 120 Bennettsville, SC 29512
Newberry	2107 Wilson Rd. Newberry, SC 29108 Mailing Address P.O. Box 309 Newberry, SC 29108
Oconee	223A Kenneth St. Walhalla, SC 29691
Orangeburg	114 Howard Hill Drive Orangeburg, SC 29118 Mailing Address P.O. Box 1087 Orangeburg, SC 29116
Pickens	212 McDaniel Ave. Pickens, SC 29671
Richland	3220 Two Notch Rd. Columbia, SC 29204 Eastover Branch 117 Henry Street Eastover, SC 29044
Saluda	3191 Newberry Hwy. Saluda, SC 29138

	Mailing Address P.O. Box 276 Saluda, SC 29138
Spartanburg	630 Chesnee Hwy. Spartanburg, SC 29303
Sumter	115 N Harvin Street Sumter, SC 29150
Union	200 S. Mountain St. Union, SC 29379
Williamsburg	121 Hampton Avenue Kingstree, SC 29556 Mailing Address PO Box 389 Kingstree, SC 29556
York	933 Heckle Blvd. Rock Hill, SC 29732

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