

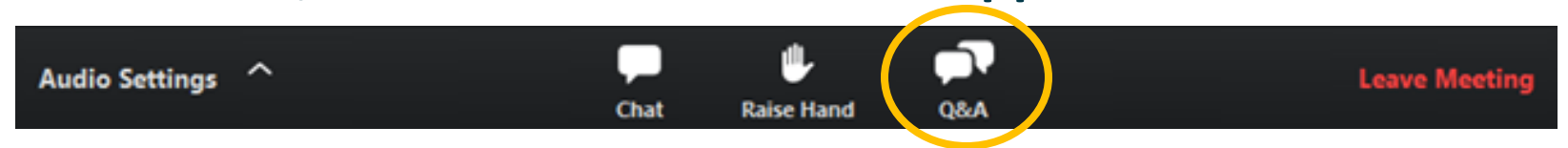
Bridging Health and Nutrition: Food Assistance Strategies for School- Based Health Centers

November 7, 2024

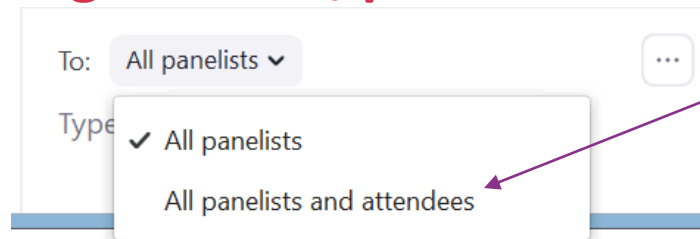
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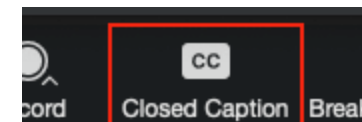
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OBJECTIVES

1. Attendees will gain an understanding of SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program), its role in improving food security and health, and reasons why families might not participate.
2. Attendees will learn about resources and tools that can support outreach to families, helping them to connect with this important food program.
3. Attendees will be armed with best practices and practical strategies to include SNAP outreach activities in their SBHC.



TODAY'S PRESENTERS



- **Addie Van Zwoil** (she/her), Director, School-Based Health Alliance
- **Sarah Mills** (she/her), Senior Manager Health Systems, Share Our Strength
- **Corey Himes** (he/him), Program Manager, SNAP/Summer EBT, Share Our Strength
- **Sam Lewin** (he/him), Account Manager, mRelief

What is an SBHC?

- SBHCs offer the most comprehensive type of school-based health care to support student health, well-being, and academic success.
 - Located in or near a school
 - Prioritizes providing health services for students
 - At a minimum, services includes comprehensive primary care (federally defined)
 - May also provide mental health, oral health care, vision care, and other services
- Works with existing school services and community providers but does not replace



SBHCs are a unique model of care

SBHC providers need ...

- Desire, skills, and time for relationship-building with students, families, school staff, and community partners
- Flexibility/comfort with including parents in visits virtually; completing follow-up with parents as necessary
- Ability to navigate HIPAA and FERPA

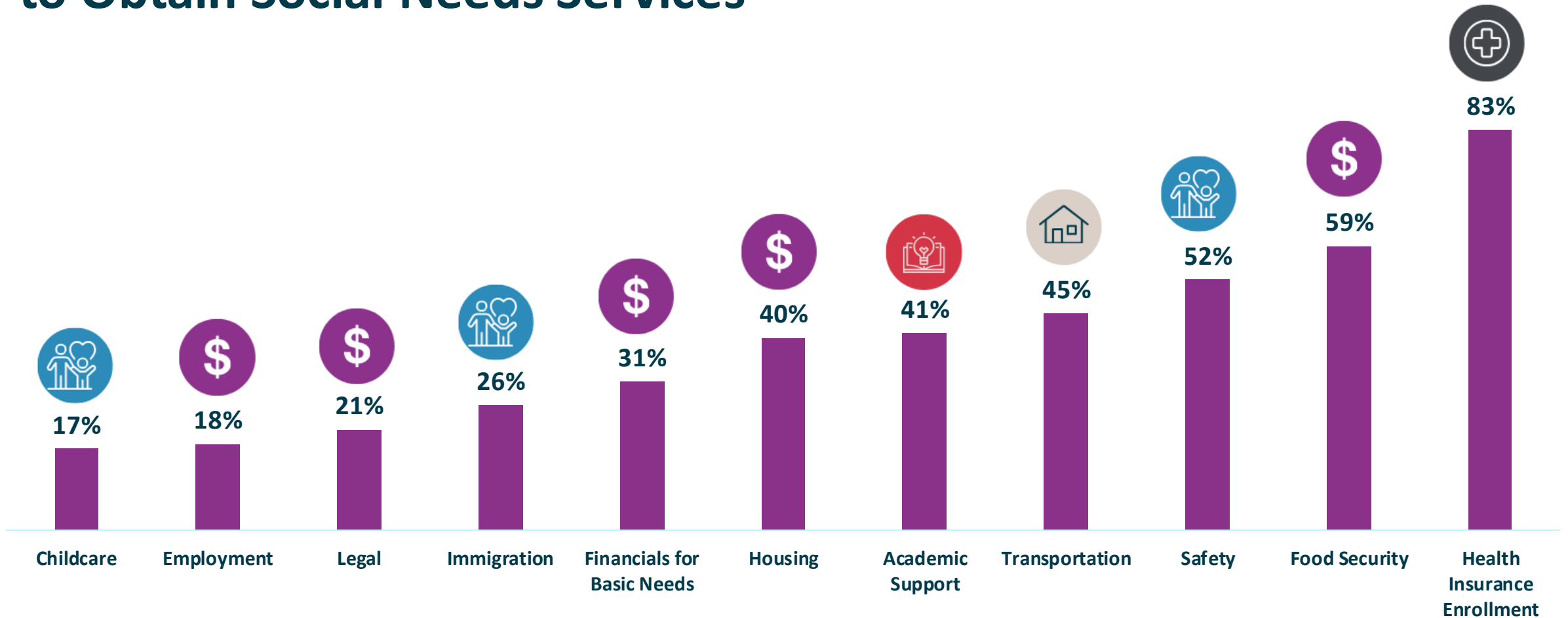
Keep in mind ...

- SBHC provider role may include more consultation, crisis intervention, school-wellness related activities, and building partnerships with school staff
- Productivity and sustainability may be different than sponsor org
- Additional considerations for engaging parents/guardians in care

Supports Provided to Clients and/or their Families to Obtain Social Needs Services



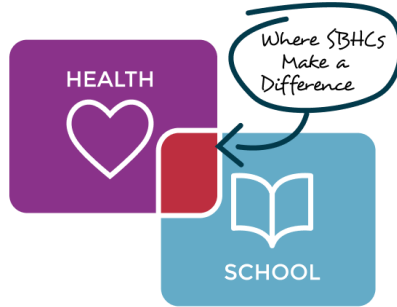
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Total responses to this question: n=1,516



Who We Are



School-Based Health Alliance

The National Voice for School-Based Health Care

Working to improve the health of children and youth by advancing and advocating for school-based health care. When health and education come together, great things happen.

Learn more: www.sbh4all.org



No Kid Hungry

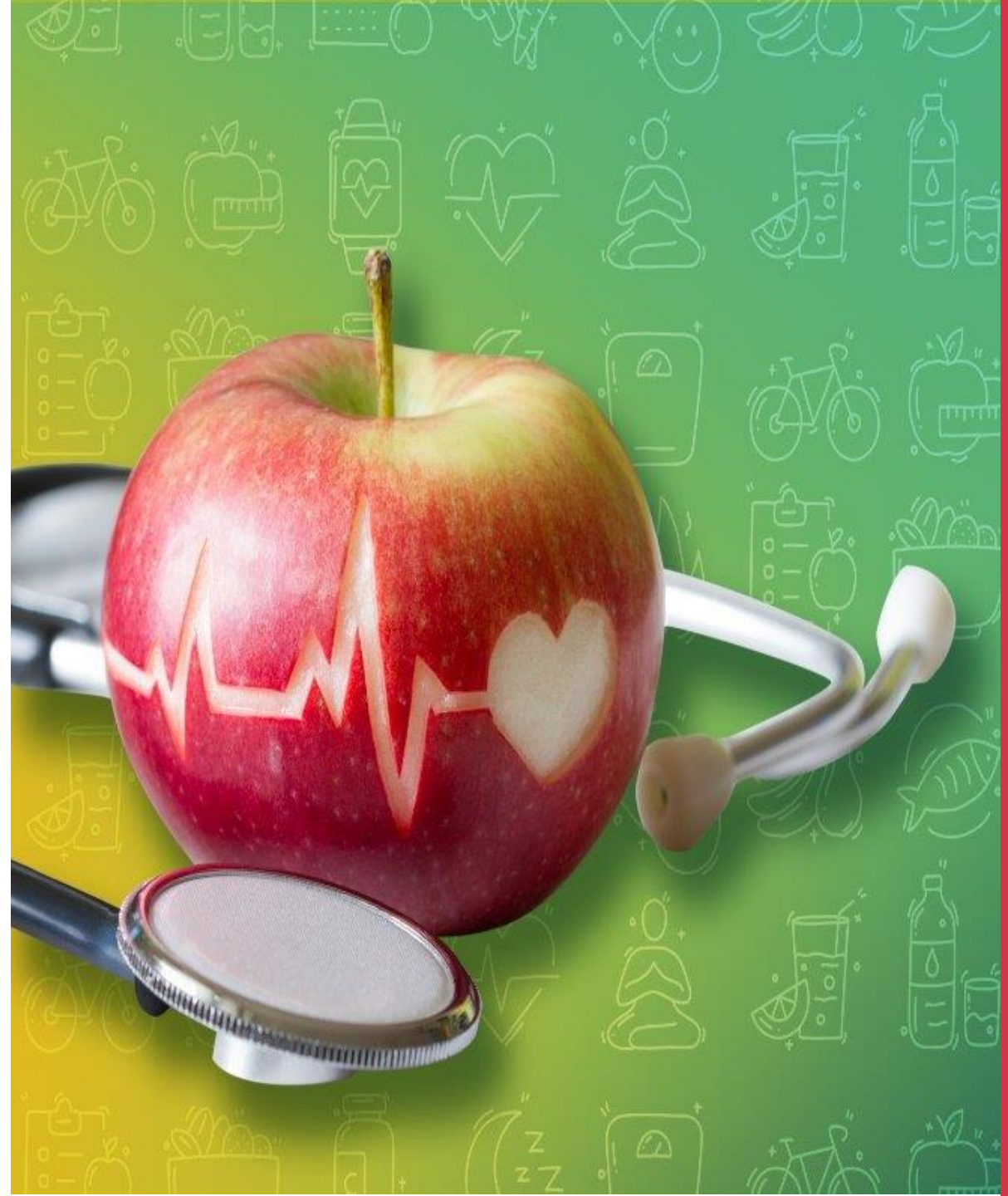
A Campaign by Share our Strength

An organization dedicated to ending hunger and poverty. Through proven, effective campaigns, that connect people who care to ideas that work.

Learn more: www.nokidhungry.org

Our Collaborative Vision

The School-Based Health Alliance and Share Our Strength's No Kid Hungry campaign believe that by working together to embrace and build on families' trust in school-based health centers, we can promote federal nutrition programs and nutritious food consumption in support of positive health outcomes and improved food security.



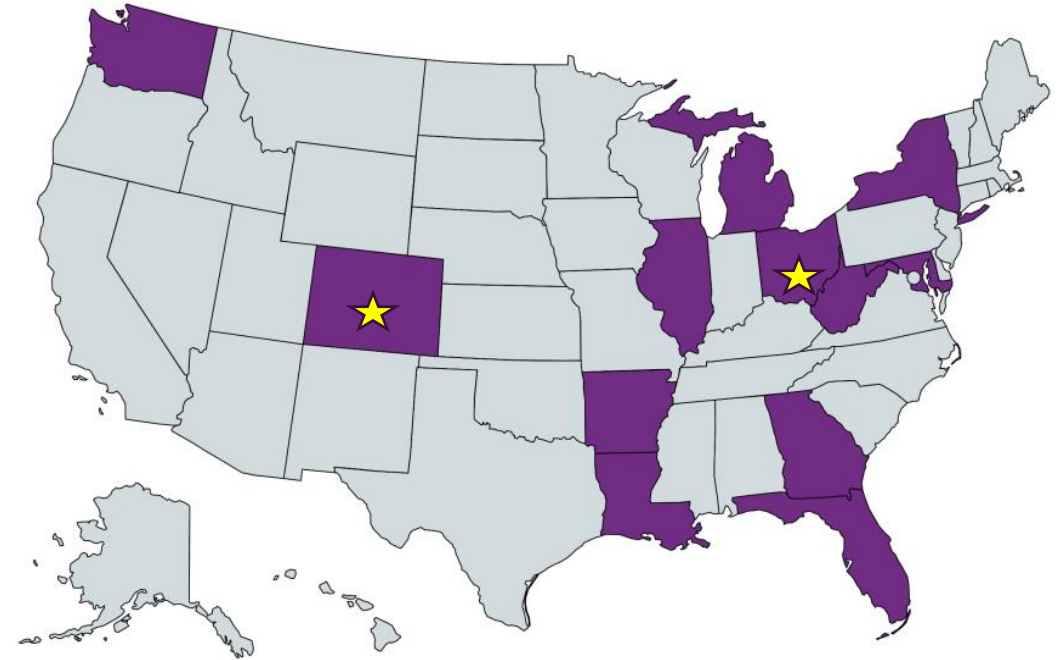
NKH and SBHA Food Security Learning Networks

2022: Launched a learning network of 16 school-based health centers representing 12 states across the country

2023: Created and launched a Toolkit of promising practices and learnings

2023-2024

- 2 State Affiliate organizations (Colorado and Ohio) supporting SBHCs in their states
- Continued support of 10 of the original SBHCs



Learning Networks and Toolkit
generously funded by:



NKH and SBHA Continued Partnership

2024-2025

- Continuing to work with the Ohio School-Based Health Alliance and Youth Healthcare Alliance to expand their work with a focus on evaluation and sustainability
- Launching a National Survey to learn more about what SBHCs are doing across the country about food security—More details coming soon!
- Webinar Series:
 - **Webinar 1:** Today! *Bridging Health and Nutrition: Food Assistance Strategies for School-Based Health Centers*
 - **Webinar 2:** January 23, 2025, 2:00 pm ET, Topic: Food Access Programs
 - **Webinar 3:** March 6, 2025, 2:00 pm ET, Topic: Intersection of Mental Health & Food

What is the Need?



1 in 5 Kids

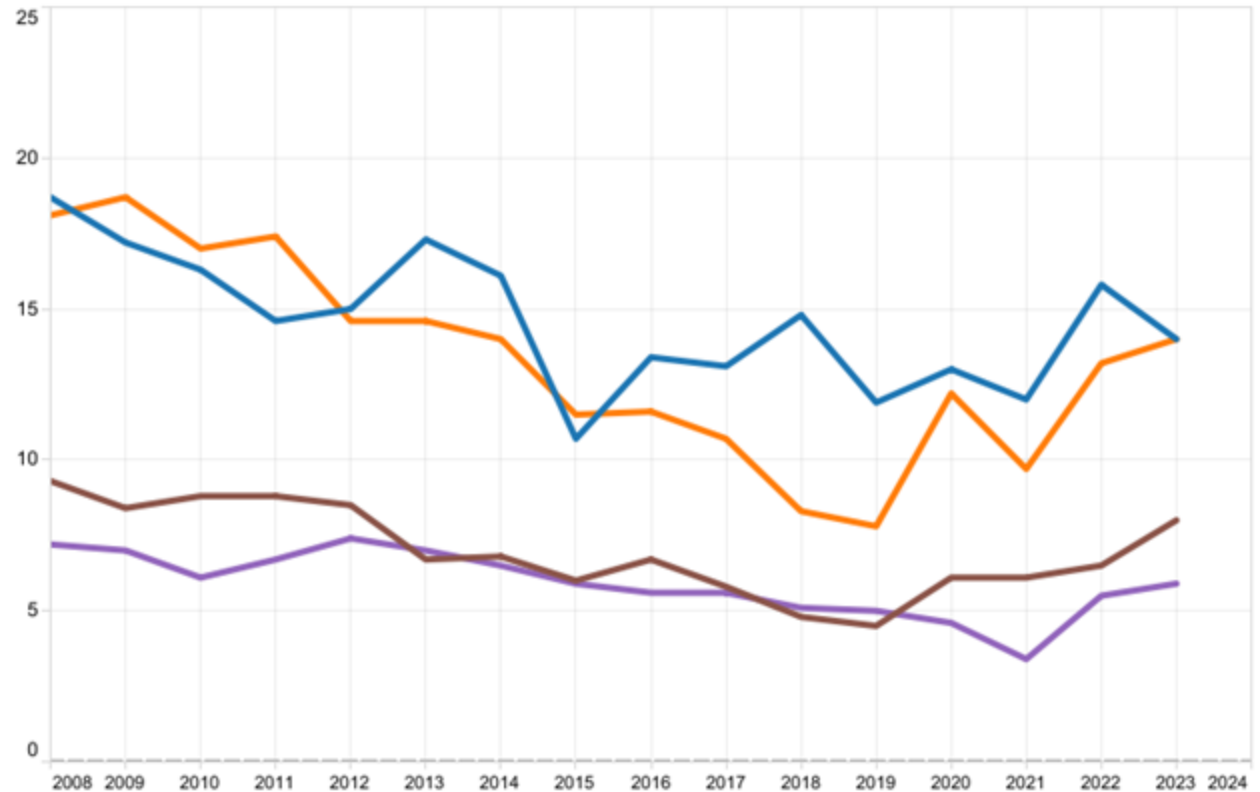
In 2023, **19.2%** of children lived in food insecure households, that is nearly **14 Million** youth

Food insecurity rates increased in 2022 and 2023



Food insecurity among children, by race and ethnicity of household head, 2008–23

Percent of households with children



Note: The "Other, non-Hispanic" category for the race and ethnicity of a household reference person includes non-Hispanic adults that identify as multiple races or ethnicities including American Indian, Alaskan Native, Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander. There are not sufficient respondents in the Current Population Survey Food Security Supplement to present reliable estimates for these individual groups for all outcomes, so they are grouped together into the "Other, non-Hispanic" category.

Black, non-Hispanic
Hispanic
Other, non-Hispanic
White, non-Hispanic

Source: USDA, Economic Research Service using U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Current Population Survey Food Security Supplements data.

What is SNAP?

The **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program** (SNAP, formerly known as food stamps) provides monthly grocery benefits on a “debit-like” card to purchase food at places people normally shop like grocery stores, farmers market, and online.



SNAP and Health Outcomes



SNAP reduces prevalence of food insecurity by as much as **30 percent**.



Children on SNAP more likely to see a doctor.



Participants more likely to report **excellent or very good health** than low-income non-participants.



Low-income SNAP participants incur nearly **25% less in medical costs** each year than low-income non-participants.

Other Important Benefits of SNAP

Kids that live in households receiving SNAP are directly certified for free school meals which means no need to collect meal applications. More directly certified students increases meal access and school revenue.



Kids have the food they need to learn and stay healthy.



Opens pathways to automatic enrollment in other programs like school meals and Summer EBT..



Saves staff time and administrative costs.
Boosts school nutrition revenue.

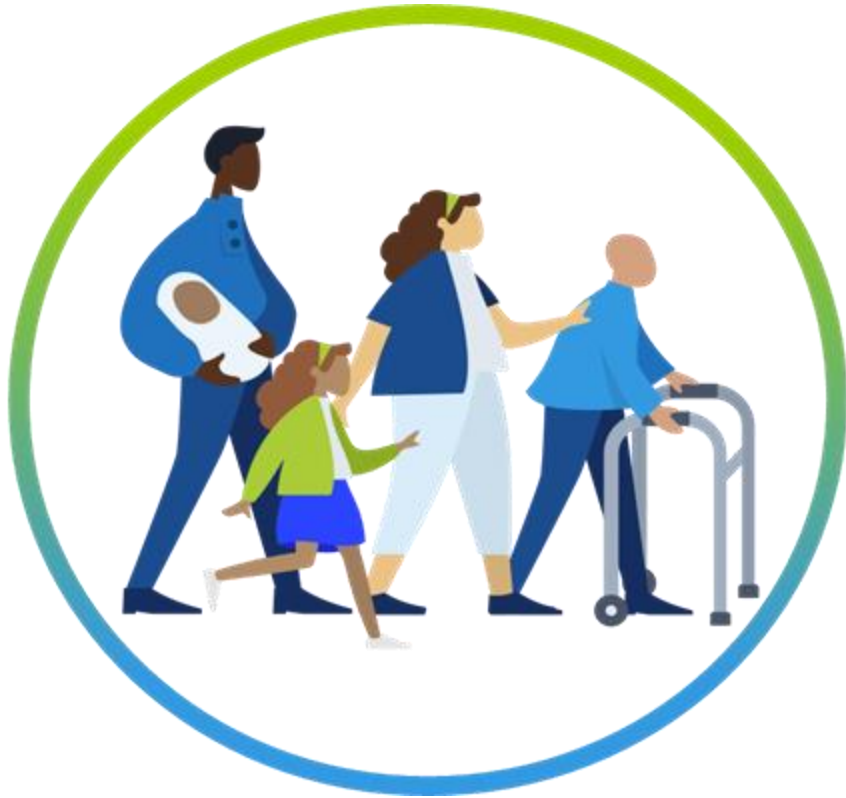


Secures more money for education programs.

Learn more: bestpractices.nokidhungry.org/resource/snapbenefitsforschools

The Benefits Enrollment Gap

SNAP, WIC & Medicaid



- ~**17 million** Medicaid enrollees are food insecure
- ~**2.5 million** children on Medicaid are eligible but not enrolled in **SNAP**
- ~**4.8 million** Medicaid enrollees are eligible but not enrolled in **WIC**

Barriers to Access



Awareness



Difficult application process



Stigma & Fear



Inequitable policies & practices

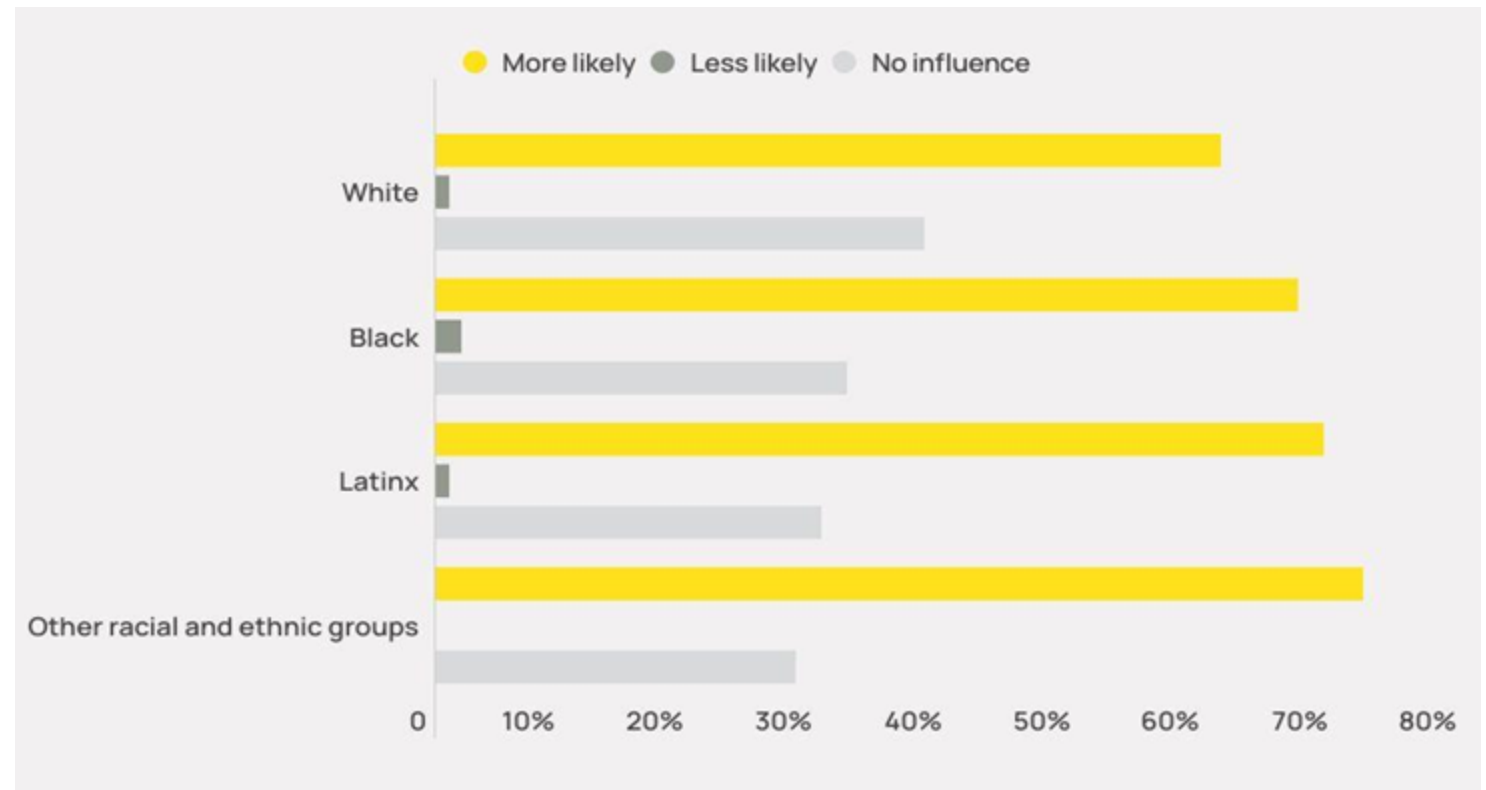
SNAP Outreach

SBHCs can play a critical role in connecting families to this anti-hunger program.



Why get involved in SNAP outreach?

Likelihood that child's healthcare provider would influence decision to apply for support





Your Partner in SNAP Enrollment

mRelief's SNAP Eligibility Screener





Agenda

- Background of Our Work
- mRelief's SNAP Eligibility Screener
- The Efficacy of Our Work



Background of Our Work

A dense background of green lemons, some showing signs of ripening to a yellowish-green hue. The lemons are packed closely together, filling the entire frame.

What problem are we trying to solve?

\$13 BILLION

In SNAP Benefits goes unclaimed

BACKGROUND

Mission

Our mission is to transform access to social services for the inherent dignity of all people.





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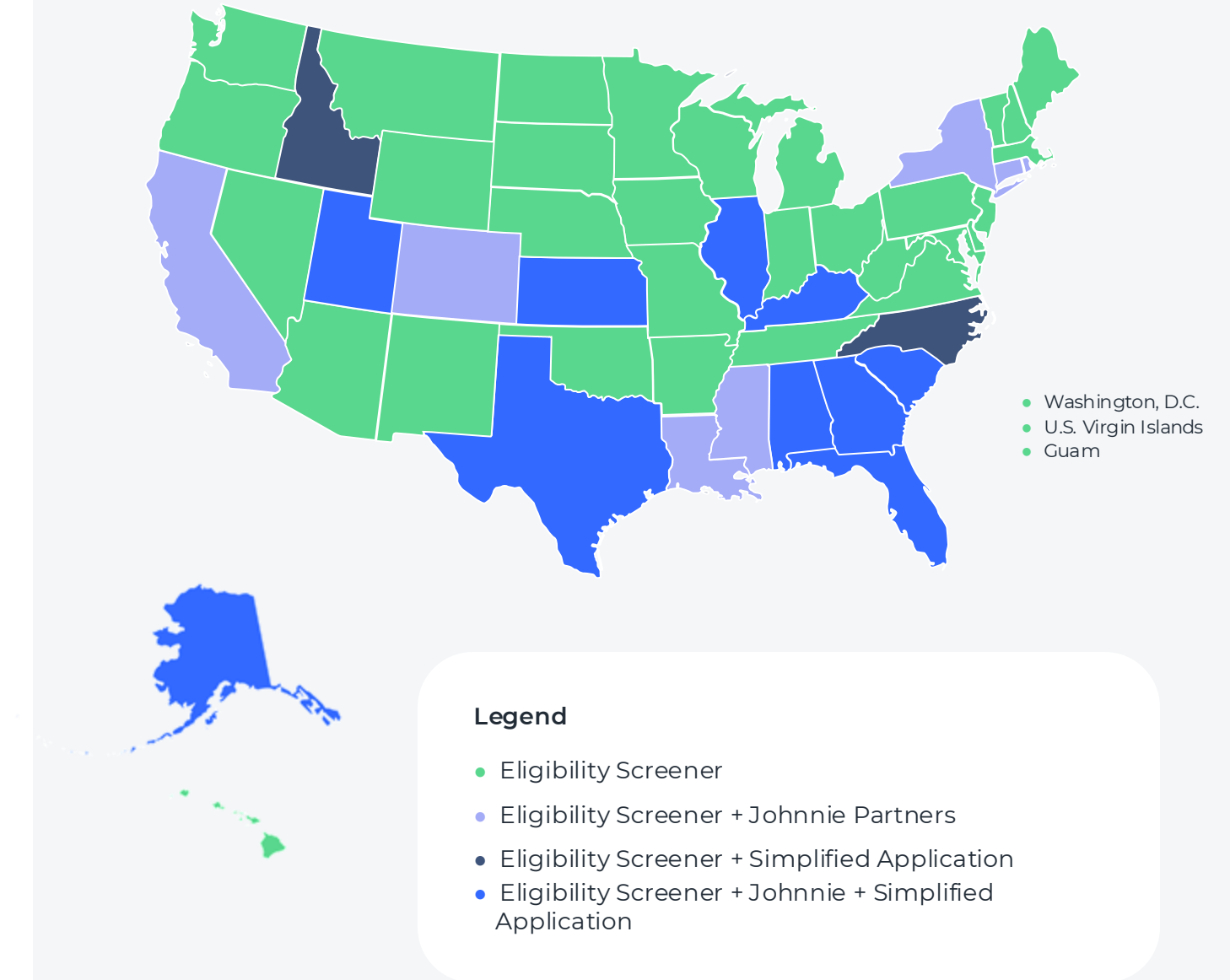
Vision

Our vision is to ensure that anyone can access the safety net without adding to the stressful circumstance of poverty.

BACKGROUND

Our eligibility screener is available in all 50 states and 3 territories.

- We help people find out if they qualify for SNAP with a few simple questions that take less than 3 minutes to answer.
- Our screener is available online and via sms or text messaging.
- Our screener is available in both English and Spanish.



WHY MOBILE?

97%

of Americans own
a cell phone

WHY SMS?

19%

of those making less than 30K
are non smartphone users



mRelief's SNAP Eligibility Screener

SNAP ELIGIBILITY SCREENER

Increasing Awareness Through Partnerships

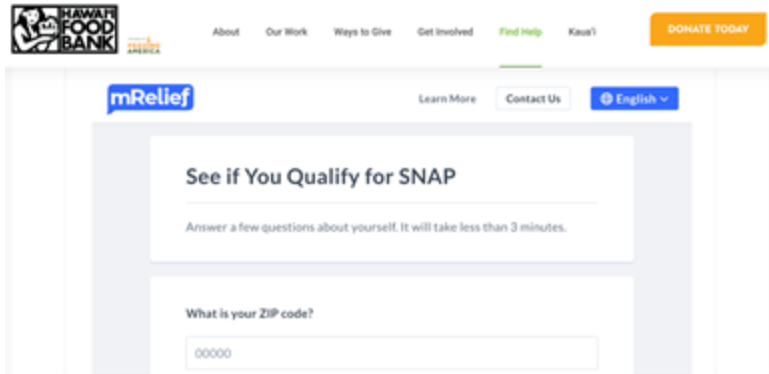
The screenshot shows the Top Box Foods website header with navigation links: Shop Groceries, Shop By Provider, Partner, Donate, Volunteer, Community Resources, and About Us. A search icon, user icon, and cart icon are also present. Below the header is a button labeled "Shop Top Box Market". A large green banner contains the text "Need Help Accessing EBT Benefits?" and "Our partner mRelief is here to help! Complete this quick SNAP Eligibility Screener below, and mRelief will contact you with next steps." Below the banner is the mRelief logo, "Learn More" link, "Contact Us" button, and "Español" button. The main content area features a white box with the heading "See if You Qualify for SNAP" and the text "Answer a few questions about yourself. It will take less than 3 minutes." Below this is a form with the question "What is your ZIP code?" and a text input field containing "60623".

Top Box Foods

The screenshot shows the Feeding Tampa Bay SNAP Screener interface. At the top, there are three circular buttons: "Find Food", "How You Can Help", and "Donate". Below these is the heading "SNAP Screener" in large white text on a dark purple background. A decorative graphic of a plant stem with leaves and a circular path is on the left. Below the heading is the text "Grow Your Monthly Food Budget Today" and a paragraph: "SNAP (formerly known as food stamps) is the largest hunger relief program in the US, providing financial assistance to millions of Americans from coast to coast. Complete the initial screener below to determine your eligibility for the SNAP program." Below this is a mobile device mockup showing the same "See if You Qualify for SNAP" form with the text "Answer a few questions about yourself. It will take less than 3 minutes." and a form with the question "What is your ZIP code?" and a text input field containing "00000".

Feeding Tampa Bay

PROMOTION



The screenshot shows the mRelief website interface. At the top left is the logo for the Hawaii Food Bank and the text "FOOD BANK AMERICA". Navigation links include "About", "Our Work", "Ways to Give", "Get Involved", "Find Help", and "Kauai?". A prominent orange button says "DONATE TODAY". Below the navigation is the mRelief logo, "Learn More", "Contact Us", and a language selector for "English". The main content area features the heading "See if You Qualify for SNAP" and the subtext "Answer a few questions about yourself. It will take less than 3 minutes." A form field asks "What is your ZIP code?" with the input "00000".

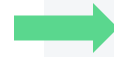


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How to apply for SNAP (food stamps)

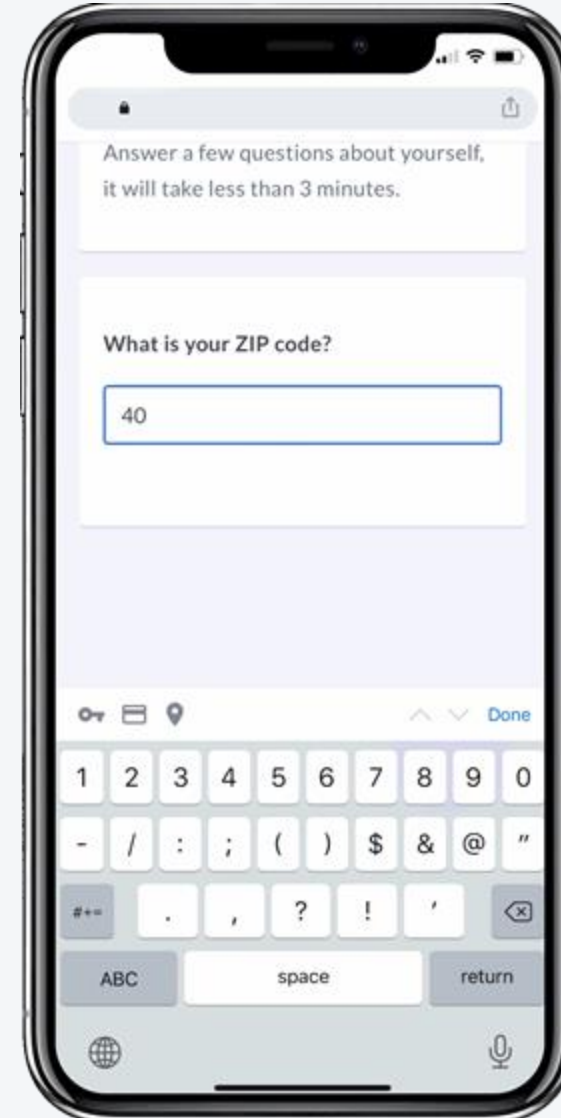
Text "FOOD" to 74544*
Answer a few questions about yourself and mRelief will let you know if you likely qualify.

You can also visit applymrelief.com

*Time and text messaging rates may apply. You must have a smartphone to access or verify your account. Terms and conditions apply. For more information on our terms and policies.



SCREENER



The screenshot shows the mRelief mobile app interface. At the top, it says "Answer a few questions about yourself, it will take less than 3 minutes." Below this is a form field asking "What is your ZIP code?" with the input "40". The app has a standard iOS-style keyboard at the bottom.

SNAP ELIGIBILITY SCREENER

Page 1: What is your ZIP code?

The screenshot shows the mRelief website's SNAP eligibility screener. At the top left is the mRelief logo. At the top right are links for 'Learn More', 'Contact Us', and a language selector for 'Español'. The main heading is 'See if You Qualify for SNAP', followed by the instruction 'Answer a few questions about yourself. It will take less than 3 minutes.' The current question is 'What is your ZIP code?' with a text input field containing '02908'. At the bottom, it shows 'Page 1 of 8' and a 'Next' button with a right arrow.

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See if You Qualify for SNAP

Answer a few questions about yourself. It will take less than 3 minutes.

What is your ZIP code?

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SNAP ELIGIBILITY SCREENER

Page 2: Your SNAP status

- Users who indicate they are **not currently** receiving SNAP benefits proceed with the screener
- Users who indicate they **are currently** receiving SNAP benefits may be directed to call the SNAP office if:
 - Their household size has increased
 - They need to recertify
 - They need to update their case info
 - They answer “none of the above”

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Your SNAP Status

Are you currently receiving SNAP (Food Stamps) in Rhode Island?

Yes

No

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Page 2: Your SNAP status

Which of the following would you like to do?

- Find out if I still qualify
- Recertify my SNAP benefits
- Update my case information
- None of the above



You can contact your office about SNAP renewal.

If you're scheduled to recertify your SNAP benefits, we recommend you contact your local SNAP office to complete your recertification.

[Call my office](#)

Did you know, if you're already receiving SNAP benefits, you can use your benefits to buy groceries at participating retailer(s): Amazon and Walmart.

[See More](#)

Which of the following would you like to do?

- Find out if I still qualify
- Recertify my SNAP benefits
- Update my case information
- None of the above

[Learn More](#) [Call](#)



You can report changes over the phone.

If you need to report any changes to your SNAP case, we recommend you contact your local SNAP office to report those changes.

[Report Changes](#)

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[See More](#)

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- Find out if I still qualify
- Recertify my SNAP benefits
- Update my case information
- None of the above

[Learn More](#)



Get more information on your case.

If you have additional questions regarding your SNAP case, we recommend you call your local SNAP office.

[Call my office](#)

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[See More](#)

Page 3: Your Household

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Your Household

Would you be applying for just yourself or with multiple people?

- If you are married or have children 21 and under, you must include them.
- If you're under 22 and live with your parents, you must include them.
- If you're under 18 and live with other family members or caretakers, you must include them.

Just me

Multiple People

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Page 3: Your Household

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Just me

Multiple People

Other than yourself, how many more people would you be applying with?

1

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10

Page 4: Additional Questions

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Additional Questions

Are you age 60 or older?

Yes

No

Are you receiving disability payments?

Yes

No

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SNAP ELIGIBILITY SCREENER

Page 4: Additional Questions

- Users who indicate that they are 60 or older and/or receive disability payments are asked an additional question

The screenshot shows the mRelief website interface for the SNAP Eligibility Screener. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the mRelief logo on the left, and links for "Learn More", "Contact Us", and "Español" on the right. The main content area is titled "Additional Questions" and contains three questions, each with a radio button selection:

- Are you age 60 or older?**
 - Yes
 - No
- Are you receiving disability payments?**
 - Yes
 - No
- Do you have less than \$4,250 available?**
This refers to money you have in cash and in the bank.
 - Yes, less than \$4,250
 - No, more than that

At the bottom of the form, there is a navigation bar with a "Back" button (left arrow), "Page 4 of 7", and a "Next" button (right arrow).

Page 5: Your Income

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Your Income

Did you receive income in the past 30 days (2/6 to 3/6)?

Include money from:

- A job (including tips)
- Self-Employment
- Benefits from Social Security, Disability, or Unemployment
- Child Support
- Family or friends

Yes

No

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SNAP ELIGIBILITY SCREENER

Page 5: Your Income

- Users who indicate they have received income in the past 30 days are asked how much before taxes
- Users who received above an income threshold are asked whether they expect to continue receiving that level of income

Your Income

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Include money from:

- A job (including tips)
- Self-Employment
- Benefits from Social Security, Disability, or Unemployment
- Child Support
- Family or friends

Yes

No

In the past 30 days, what was your total income before taxes?

\$0 - \$500

\$501 - \$1,000

\$1,001 - \$1,600

\$1,601 - \$2,096

Above \$2,096

\$1,601 - \$2,096

Above \$2,096

Do you expect to continue receiving over \$2,096 for the next 30 days?

Yes, I do

No, I don't

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SNAP ELIGIBILITY SCREENER

Page 6: Your Citizenship or Immigration Status

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Your Citizenship or Immigration Status

Which of these apply to you?

- I'm a US Citizen
- I've been a Legal Permanent Resident for 5+ years
- I'm a Refugee or Asylee
- None of the above

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Your Student Status

Are you enrolled in a college or vocational school half-time or more?

Yes

No

SNAP ELIGIBILITY SCREENER

Page 7: Your Student Status

SNAP ELIGIBILITY SCREENER

Page 7: Your Student Status

- Users who indicate they are enrolled half-time or more are asked to select all that apply to them among the categories pictured

The screenshot shows the mRelief website interface. At the top left is the mRelief logo. At the top right are links for "Learn More", "Contact Us", and a language dropdown menu set to "English". The main content area is titled "Your Student Status" and contains the following questions and options:

Your Student Status

Are you enrolled in a college or vocational school half-time or more?

Yes

No

Select all that apply to you:

- I have a work study job this school term
- I'm in a job training program
- I'm being paid to work an average of 20 hours a week
- None of the above

At the bottom of the page, there is a navigation bar with a "Back" button, "Page 7 of 8", and a "Next" button.

Page 8: Your Contact Info

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Your Contact Info

Phone Number
We will only reach out with important updates. You can opt-out at any time.

9897085442

I consent to the use and disclosure of my personal information in accordance with [mRelief's privacy and data sharing policy](#).

How did you hear about us?

- Select One
- Internet Search
- Facebook
- Snapchat
- Library
- Article
- Word of Mouth
- Flyer
- Catholic Charities
- Other

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SNAP ELIGIBILITY SCREENER

Likely Eligible for SNAP



You're likely eligible for SNAP!

You likely qualify because:

Your income in the last 30 days is less than **\$2,096**, which is the income limit for a household size of **1** in Rhode Island.

You can apply with assistance from a Roman Catholic Diocese of Providence case worker or we can direct you to the Rhode Island SNAP website to apply on your own.

Apply with assistance

Apply on my own

Was our screener helpful?

Select a smiley below



Helpful



A little helpful



Not helpful

SNAP ELIGIBILITY SCREENER

Likely Eligible: Apply on my own

- Users who click “Apply on my own” are directed to mRelief’s simplified application — or their state’s SNAP application portal — to begin the application process

The image shows a two-part process. The top part is a screener page with the heading "You're likely eligible for SNAP!". Below this, it states "You likely qualify because:" followed by a grey box containing the text: "Your income in the last 30 days is less than \$2,096, which is the income limit for a household size of 1 in Rhode Island." Further down, it says "You can apply with assistance from a Roman Catholic Diocese of Providence case worker or we can direct you to the Rhode Island SNAP website to apply on your own." There are two buttons: "Apply with assistance" (blue) and "Apply on my own" (white with blue border). A white arrow points from the "Apply on my own" button to the right.

The bottom part is a screenshot of the "Your Application" page on the mRelief website. The page title is "Your Application" and it says "Answer a few more questions about yourself and skip the wait at the LINK (Food Stamps) office." Under the heading "Living Situation", there is a question "What county do you live in?" with a dropdown menu showing "Select One". Below that is another question: "Are you currently experiencing homelessness?" with instructions: "Select 'Yes' if you live on the street, stay in a shelter, mission, transitional housing, abandoned building, vehicle, or any other non-permanent situation." There are two radio button options: "Yes" and "No". At the bottom right of the page, there is a "Next" button with a right arrow. The page number "Page 1 of 17" is visible at the bottom left.

SNAP ELIGIBILITY SCREENER

Likely Eligible: Apply with Assistance

- Users who click “Apply with assistance” are able to schedule an appointment with a trusted community partner

[Apply with assistance](#)

[Apply on my own](#)

Apply with Assistance

A Roman Catholic Diocese of Providence case worker will call you to help you apply for SNAP. We'll need your first name to get started.

First Name

Cheryl

Do you want to speak with a case worker who speaks Spanish?

Yes

No

When would you like a phone call?

✓ Select One

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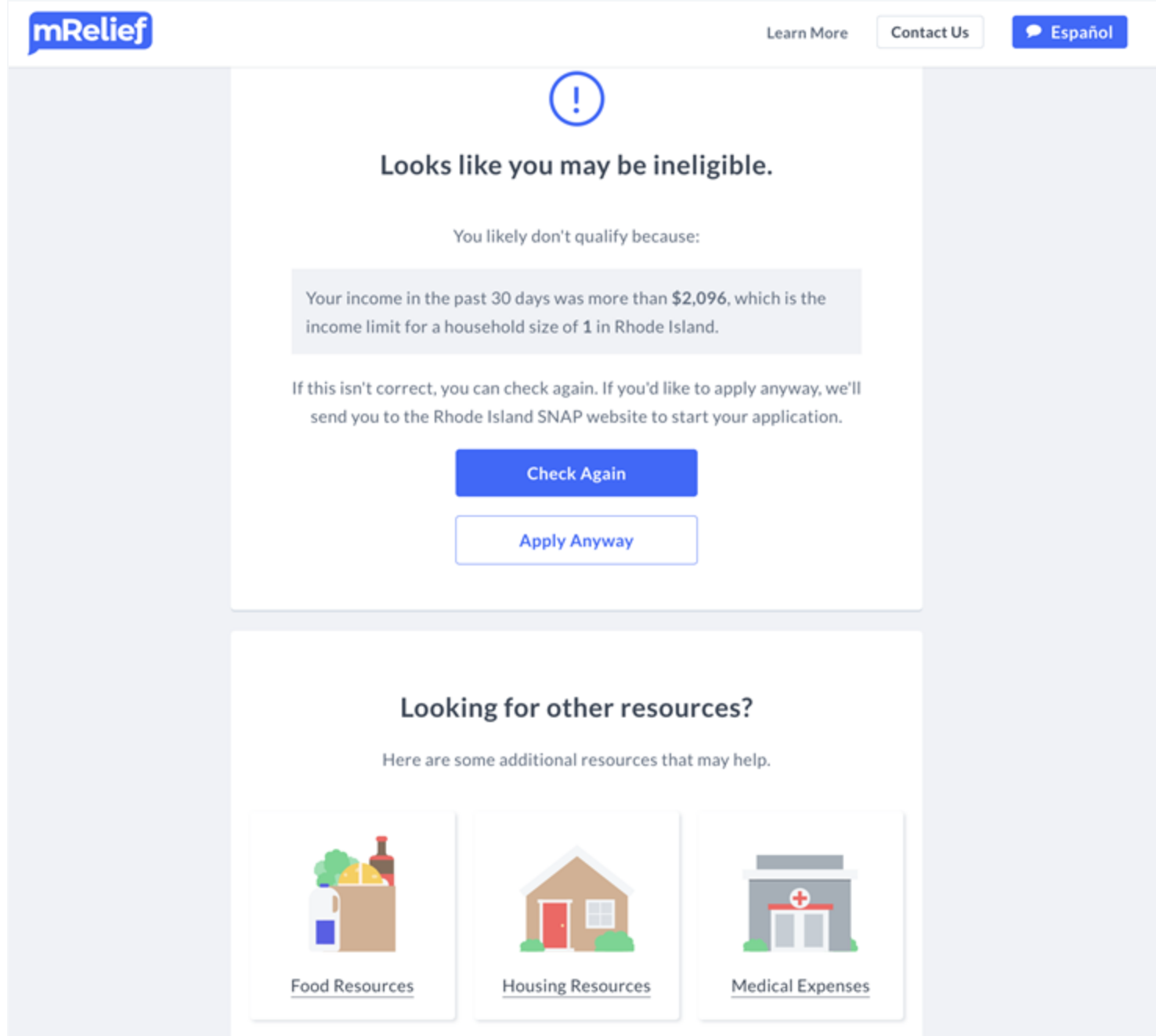
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Fri, March 10th - 11:00 AM

Fri, March 10th - 12:00 PM

SNAP ELIGIBILITY SCREENER

Likely Ineligible for SNAP



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Check Again

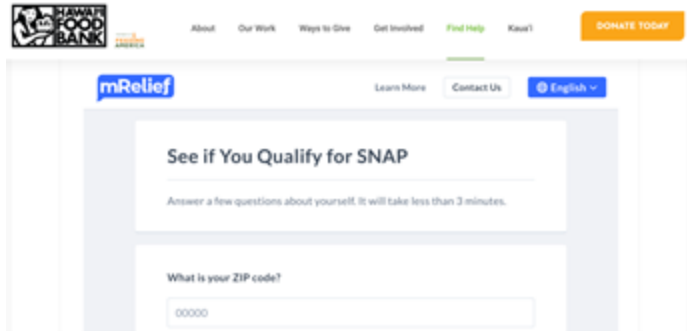
Apply Anyway

Looking for other resources?

Here are some additional resources that may help.

- Food Resources
- Housing Resources
- Medical Expenses

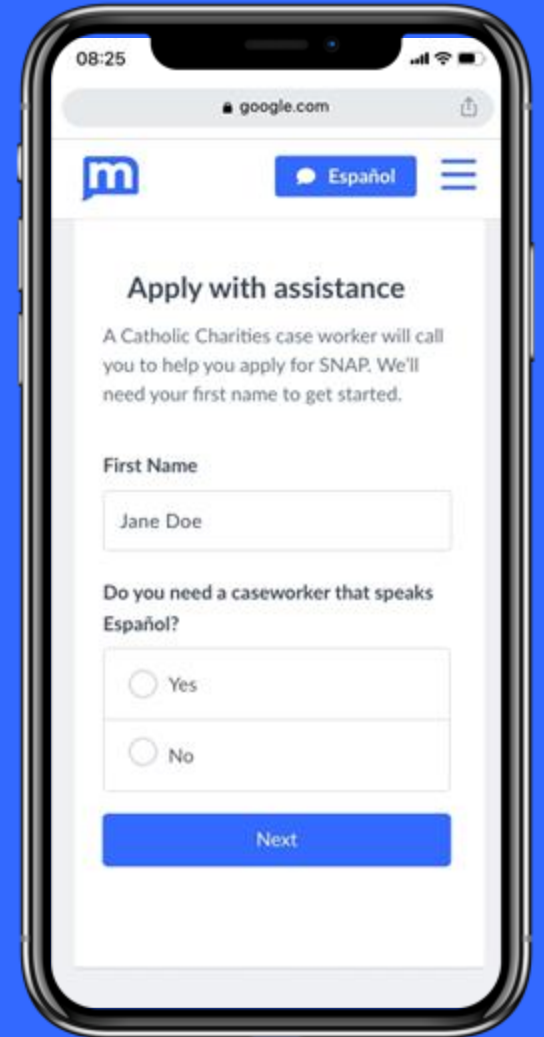
DISCOVERY



SCREENER



ASSISTANCE





Our Efficacy + Impact



OUR IMPACT

4,132,000

People Served



...it was quick and though I'm not great at doing things on the internet, I was able to do this easily...The questions were easy to answer and you had the opportunity to check your answers. Also I had my phone interview within a couple days and receiving my benefits in less than a week. This was a great relief so I can now concentrate on more important things ...in my case finding a new job.

—mRelief Client, Age 60



Thank You!

sam@mrelief.com

Successful SNAP Enrollment Campaigns:

- Involve multiple touchpoints to educate families about SNAP
 - Education incorporated into school events
 - Communication campaigns using asset based language through school and/or health center channels
 - Assistance/enrollment specific opportunities offered
- All opportunities provide ways to self-enroll and get application assistance from someone experienced with SNAP
- Effective individual-level strategies:
 - School/district-wide awareness and clear referrals channels
 - Targeted outreach
 - Warm handoffs

Partnership Is Helpful:

- Food banks often provide SNAP outreach and assistance both virtually and in-person
- School Districts
- Immigrant serving organizations
- 211, Community Action agencies & resource sharing organizations
- Local or state government:
 - Libraries
 - County social services or health department
 - Sometimes state agencies have field workers or outreach staff

SNAP Promotion



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FLYERS

STRETCH YOUR BUDGET

SNAP offers eligible households a card to buy groceries.

-  No documents needed to get started
-  Applying takes about 20 minutes
-  Apply over-the-phone or at the library



EASY WAYS TO APPLY!

Make an Appointment
(580) 477-2890

*Meet with a SNAP specialist
at the library*

Call Toll-Free
(877) 760-0114

*Call SNAP Hotline
M-F 8-8 and Sat. 9-5*



Ask for a
Call to
Apply

*A SNAP Hotline Specialist
will call you to apply
Bilingual Support Available*

Walk-ins welcome!

Visit the Altus Library: 421 N Hudson

Wed. March 22: 1:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Fri. March 24: 10:00 AM - 4:30 PM

This information is offered as part of a partnership between:



mRelief

How to Apply for SNAP (food stamps)

The Hillsborough County Public Schools district has partnered with mRelief, Feeding Tampa Bay, and the Hispanic Services Council to help make applying for SNAP easy.



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Text "HCPSTFood" to 74544*

Answer a few questions about yourself and mRelief will let you know if you likely qualify for SNAP.

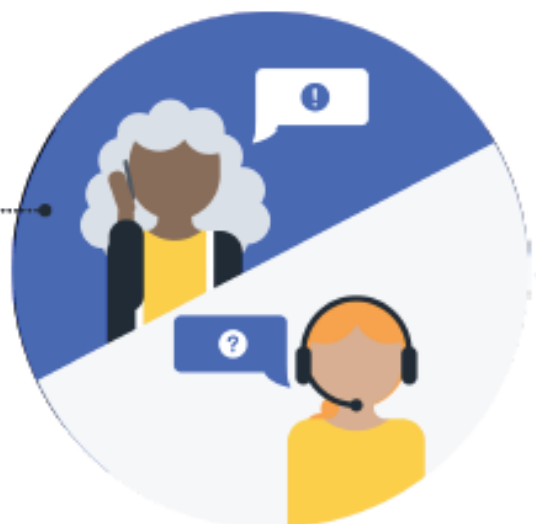


You can also visit apply.mrelief.com

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Apply with Assistance

We'll send you a link to schedule a call for someone to assist you with applying over the phone.



Example Syracuse City School District and Food Bank of Central New York:

- Syracuse City has the second-highest child poverty rate among larger cities, 45.8%
- Recognized many eligible families were not enrolled in SNAP and other benefits
- Partnered with Food Bank of Central New York to implement SNAP outreach and enrollment initiative



Key Takeaways:



Nutrition security affects learning & SNAP is a critical piece (emergency food is important, but more temporary)

SNAP referral from SCSD builds trust between families and the school district

Warm hand off between SCSD and the Food Bank of Central New York is effective

Partnerships within district with other departments like Office of Family Engagement, Nationality Workers, and School Social Workers is key

Schools are perfectly positioned to be a bridge

Sustainability:

- Exploring opportunities for more integrated or streamlined application process for multiple benefits
- Continued collaboration with broader community partners to address issues like hunger, housing, and health
- The SCSD / FBCNY partnership demonstrates the power of leveraging school districts as trusted community institutions to increase access to essential programs like SNAP



Groceries are expensive

SNAP Can Help



-  SNAP provides monthly benefits to buy food at grocery stores, farmers markets, and other locations.
-  If you could use some extra help putting food on the table for your kids, you're not alone.
-  Scan the QR code to learn about SNAP eligibility and get help applying: QR Code here

Check out the Outreach Flyers




SNAP fuels learning: Learn more!

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Access to Healthy Food = Healthy Kids

See if your kids are eligible



Even if you are not eligible to apply for SNAP, your children may be eligible and you can apply on their behalf.

Learn if you are eligible for SNAP by scanning the QR code

QR Code here

Both English and Spanish versions will be provided!

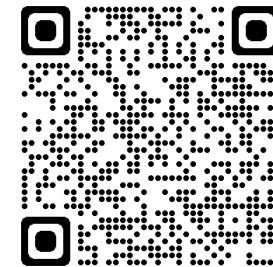


QUESTIONS?

Please enter your questions into the “Chat” box of the Zoom control window.



Toolkit Resource



Emerging Models And Resources To Address Food Insecurity In School-Based Health Centers

No Kid Hungry and School-Based Health Alliance believe that by embracing and building on families' trust in school-based health centers, we can promote federal nutrition programs and nutritious food consumption in support of favorable health outcomes and improved food security for families.

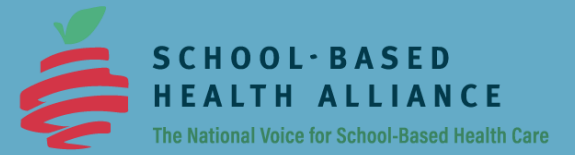
This toolkit highlights promising practices for integrating nutrition and food access into school-based health center (SBHC) services to address social influencers of health, improve food security for families, and support student success and wellness.



Call for Abstracts is Now Open



Submit your session and poster abstracts for the 2025 National School-Based Health Care Conference and 'Be the Change' Youth Training Program by November 8!



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THE
DATE**

**2025 National School-Based
Health Care Conference**

**June 29 – July 1,
2025**

**Westin Washington, DC Downtown
Hotel (formerly the Renaissance
Downtown Hotel) in Washington, D.C**





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