

RESOURCES FOR SNAP RECIPIENTS



The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) provides monthly funds to help buy groceries for eligible households via an Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) card that can be used at local stores and farmer's markets. If you're already receiving, or considering applying for, SNAP benefits, then you should know about some other programs you may be eligible for. Check out these SNAP perks!



Food Shopping

FoodShare

Purchase a box of fresh produce for only \$5-10 through local partner sites. Boxes include 9-11 assorted fresh fruits and vegetables and a recipe insert with ideas on how to use them. To find a FoodShare partner hub near you, visit <http://foodsharesc.org/locations/> or call (803) 851-4461.

Healthy Bucks

Enables SNAP participants to double the amount of fresh fruits and vegetables purchased at participating vendors by using their EBT cards. Purchase at least \$5 of goods and receive \$15 in Healthy Bucks tokens. Visit

<https://dss.sc.gov/assistance-programs/food-and-nutrition-programs/healthy-bucks/> or call (803) 898-7626

Seeds and Plants

SNAP participants can use their benefits to grow their own food. Eligible items include seeds and plants used in gardens to produce food for human consumption, for example seeds or plants that produce vegetables, as well as fruit trees and food producing roots, bushes, and bulbs (such as asparagus crowns and onion bulbs). Some herb plants may also be eligible. Purchases must be made at SNAP-authorized retailers. Find more information here: <https://www.snapgardens.org/snap-participant/>

Instacart+

Customers who placed an EBT SNAP order through Instacart within the last 6 months are eligible to buy a discounted monthly Instacart+ membership for \$4.99/month for 1 year. After 1 year, your plan auto-renews at the full price of \$9.99 per month. To learn more visit:

<https://www.instacart.com/help/section/360007996832/11454903330068>

Walmart +Assist

SNAP participants can qualify for a Walmart+ membership at a discounted rate of \$6.47/month or \$49/year. Membership includes free delivery, free shipping, savings on gas, access to video streaming through Paramount + and more. Learn more and apply at <https://www.walmart.com/plus/assist>





Museums and Attractions

Museums for All Program

Take advantage of free or reduced admission to more than 1400 museums throughout the United States simply by presenting your EBT card and photo ID. Search to find a museum near you: <https://museums4all.org/>

The Charleston Museum

Free admission for up to 5 people (including the EBT card holder). Offer valid for the museum only. Admission to historic houses must be purchased separately. Find more information at: <https://dss.sc.gov/assistance-programs/food-and-nutrition-programs/ebt-perks/>

South Carolina Aquarium

Discounted \$40 annual family membership with proof of benefits (SNAP, WIC, SC Voucher Program) and a photo ID. Membership includes unlimited admission, access to exclusive programs and events, and discounts to other local area attractions and businesses. Email info to eligibility@scaquarium.org and reference the "Angelfish" membership or visit <https://dss.sc.gov/assistance-programs/food-and-nutrition-programs/ebt-perks/>

Riverbanks Zoo and Garden

Purchase up to four \$5 general admission tickets for any age that give access to the zoo and gardens. Find more information at: <https://dss.sc.gov/assistance-programs/food-and-nutrition-programs/ebt-perks/>

South Carolina Historical Society Museum (Charleston)

Free admission for up to two adults/seniors and two children. Find more information at: <https://dss.sc.gov/assistance-programs/food-and-nutrition-programs/ebt-perks/>

International African American Museum

Discounted admission of \$2 per person (no charge for children under age 6). Tickets must be purchased at the Visitor Services Desk upon arrival. Find more information at: <https://iaamuseum.org/plan-your-visit/>



Transportation

CARTA

Reduced fares available based on income. Apply in person Monday-Friday between 8:30AM-5PM (closed noon-1 PM for lunch) at the SC Works Charleston Career Center, 1930 Hanahan Rd., North Charleston, 29406 or call (843) 574-1810 or (843) 574-1800 to determine eligibility.

Lime Bikes (Charleston)

Through the Lime Access program, SNAP participants can qualify for discounted rentals on Lime e-bikes and e-scooters. Learn more and apply: <https://www.li.me/why/community/lime-access>





Technology/Phone/Internet

Lifeline

A federal program that lowers the monthly cost of phone or internet service. You can qualify based either on income or on participation in SNAP or other federal assistance programs. Visit <https://www.lifelinesupport.org/> to learn more and find a list of participating Lifeline providers in your area. You apply directly through your chosen provider. You can also ask if your current provider participates in Lifeline.

Comcast

If you live in an area covered by Comcast or Xfinity and are a SNAP participant, you may be eligible for discounts on your service as well as equipment discounts on computers through the Internet Essentials program. To learn more and apply visit: <https://www.xfinity.com/learn/internet-service/internet-essentials/apply>.

PC's for People

Affordable, refurbished computers as well as discounted Internet service for SNAP participants, those participating in other benefit programs or those who income qualify. To learn more and apply visit: <https://www.pcsforpeople.org/eligibility/>

AT & T Access

Provides low-cost home Internet service to eligible AT&T Internet and AT&T Fiber households. Plans start at \$15 a month. A modem and installation are included with all plans at no charge. To learn more and apply, visit: <https://www.att.com/internet/access/>



Pet Care

Numerous organizations exist that may be able to help cover part or all of your pet's veterinary care if you income-qualify, receive SNAP or other federal benefits or can demonstrate hardship. Each has their own criteria and applications. This link provides an initial list, and you'll find additional resources by visiting individual websites.

<https://lowincomerelief.com/looking-for-free-or-low-cost-veterinary-care/>



Education

SNAP2WORK

The South Carolina Dept. of Social Services administers the SNAP Employment and Training Program (also called "SNAP2WORK") Financial support may be available to help SNAP participants pursue vocational training that leads to employment. Contact your local SNAP Employment and Training Office for details:

<https://dss.sc.gov/assistance-programs/work-programs/snap-employment-and-training/> or call

(800) 616-1309





Childcare

Child Care Scholarship Program

Run through the state Department of Social Services, this program helps families afford childcare so parents can work, go to school, or get job training. Income guidelines apply. Applicants must be working at least 15 hours per week or attending school or a training program. For more information email scchildcare@dss.sc.gov or call (800) 476-0199



Entertainment

Amazon Prime

Enjoy all the benefits of Prime, including fast, free delivery and access to Prime Video, Prime Music, Prime Reading, and Prime Gaming for \$6.99/month with proof of SNAP/EBT participation. Learn more and sign up: https://www.amazon.com/58f8026f-0658-47d0-9752-f6fa2c69b2e2/qualify_

YMCA

Many YMCA's offer discounted membership based on household income. Contact your local Y for details. To find locations, search <https://www.ymca.org/find-your-y>



Meals

National School Lunch Program

Children in households that participate in SNAP or other federal assistance programs may be determined "categorically eligible" for free school meals through the National School Lunch Program. Ask your child's school for more information and an application. You can do this at the beginning of the school year or anytime household circumstances change. Find more information at: <https://www.fns.usda.gov/nslp>

This list is not exhaustive and is subject to change. The SC Dept. of Social Services' EBT Perks program provides updated information on additional benefits available to SNAP participants: <https://dss.sc.gov/assistance-programs/food-and-nutrition-programs/ebt-perks/>

