

IMPORTANT SNAP UPDATE

Following a court order on Nov. 3, the federal government will fund only half of SNAP benefits in November. The federal government's decision to fund reduced benefits will make it significantly more complicated for states to issue the funds, which will delay November SNAP benefits to households by days or weeks.

Benefits left on cards from previous months can still be used, but new benefits will be less than in prior months and will be delayed by the federal government.

IDHS is exploring how payments will work in Illinois and will keep customers updated on this evolving situation.

SNAP information and food resources are available here: <u>snapfederalimpact.illinois.gov</u>



- How can you help?
 - Support your neighbors. Illinois food banks & pantries provide 1 meal to every 9 meals that SNAP provides. Donating cash to your local food bank or pantry is an efficient way to help. Visit <u>snapfederalimpact.illinois.gov</u> to find your local food bank or food pantry.
 - Advocate for federal funding. Contact the White House to request the Trump Administration work with Congress to permanently reopen the government. One option is mailing letters to:

The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20500