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Denver metro area guide to additional benefits you can access when you're enrolled in SNAP



WHAT IS SNAP?

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or SNAP, provides nutrition benefits to supplement the food budgets of families in need so that they can purchase healthy food and move toward self-sufficiency.

Formally known as "food stamps," SNAP is a federally funded program that helps low-income households in Colorado purchase food. It provides monthly benefits that help families and individuals buy the food they need for good health.

The benefit is provided based on several factors, including income, household expenses, and the number of individuals in the household. Participants receive Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) cards that can be used similarly to debit cards at participating food stores.

While SNAP is a federal nutrition program to help low-income households purchase food, county human services departments are responsible for determining eligibility and authorizing SNAP. Visit the <u>Colorado Department of Human Services' SNAP website</u> to learn more about the benefits offered in your area.

Click Here to Apply for SNAP



SNAP ENROLLMENT ALSO QUALIFIES YOU FOR OTHER BENEFITS IN THE COMMUNITY

Listed below are several additional benefits that SNAP participants are eligible for. Click the links below to learn more about each benefit, or continue scrolling.

Double Up Food Bucks

Free & Reduced Lunch

WIC

Bill Assistance

Explorer Pass

Museums for All

Transportation

Amazon Prime





Double Up Food Bucks

HOW IT WORKS

Get Free Fruits & Vegetables

BRING

Shop with your SNAP card at participating grocers.

BUY

Buy SNAP-eligible foods with your SNAP dollars.

GET

Participating grocers will match what you spend with Double Up Food Bucks—up to \$20 a day! Use them right away or later on to buy fresh Colorado-grown fruits & vegetables.

Click Here to Visit Colorado's Double Up Food Bucks Website

Did you know you can use Double Up Food Bucks at Participating Farmers Markets?!

Bring your EBT card to the farmers market information booth before you shop. Market Staff is there to help you!

<u>Boulder County Farmers Market</u>



Denver Explorer Pass

Colorado SNAP recipients enjoy deeply discounted admission to Denver-area museums and cultural centers just by showing their EBT card at the ticket counter!



Colorado SNAP recipients receive \$1 - \$2 general admission for up to 10 people! All you need to do to receive discounted admission is show your EBT card at the ticket counter!

Participating Locations

The Butterfly Pavilion

The Denver Art Museum

Denver Botanic Gardens at Chatfield Farms and York Street

Denver Zoo (August - April)

Wings Over The Rockies

<u>Clyfford Still Museum</u>

Denver Museum of Nature and Science

<u>History Colorado Center</u>

Children's Museum





Through Museums for All, those receiving food assistance (SNAP benefits) can gain free or reduced admission to more than 700 museums throughout the US simply by presenting their EBT card at the ticket counter.

Find a Museum Near You





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FREE & REDUCED LUNCH

Students in families participating in SNAP automatically qualify for Free & Reduced Lunch. Free & Reduced Lunch is an initiative under the National School Lunch Program that provides free and reduced-cost meal options for public school students. Free & Reduced Lunch participants are also eligible for a number of additional benefits sponsored by both school and community organizations.

Contact your local school district to learn more

Your child may be eligible for reduced or waived school fees, including:

- Transportation and Bus Fees
- School Athletic Fees
- School Classroom Fees
- Testing Fees
- Field Trip Fees



Your child may also be eligible for reduced fees at community organizations, including:



- Parks and Rec sponsored
 Youth Sports
- YMCA Fees
- Cable Internet Carriers
- Phone Carriers
- Community Animal Hospitals
- Summer Camp Scholarships



Transportation

A number of transportation companies offer income-based discounts to support the transportation needs of low-income individuals.

Denver RTD's LiVE Program



RTD's LiVE program is an income-based fare discount program that helps participants get to all the places they need to go. By enrolling in LiVE, participants receive a 40% discount on fares throughout the RTD service area. (Learn more)

Lime Access



Lime Access provides discounted fares to qualifying riders in the US and access to Lime scooters for people without smartphones or credit cards. To qualify, an individual must demonstrate participation in an eligible local, state, or federal public benefits program. (Learn more)

LyftUp by Lyft



Lyft's LyftUp program offers several transportation access programs to provide low-income individuals access to healthcare, groceries, jobs, and more. They also offer a free one-year bikeshare program to individuals who are 16-20 years of age. (Learn more)



BILL ASSISTANCE

Several companies and local agencies offer assistance with monthly bills.

The Bill	The Assistance
Internet	AT&T Internet for \$10/month (<u>Learn more</u>) Comcast's Internet Essentials - Internet \$10/month + \$149 Laptop (<u>Learn more</u>)
Phone	Federal Communications Commission's Lifeline Program (<u>Learn more</u>) Federal Communication Commission's New Affordable Connectivity Program (Previously the Emergency Broadband Benefit Program) (<u>Learn more</u>)
Energy	Colorado Low-Income Energy Assistance Program (LEAP) (<u>Learn more</u>) Energy Outreach Colorado (<u>Learn more</u>)
Water	Low-Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP) - Part of LEAP (<u>Learn more</u>)



Also known as The Special Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program for Women, Infants, and Children, the WIC program aims to safeguard the health of low-income women, infants, and children who are at nutrition risk. The program supports health by providing nutritious foods to supplement diets, information on healthy eating, and referrals to health care.

WIC Serves

- Pregnant Women
- Breastfeeding Women
- Non-Breastfeeding Postpartum Women
- Infants
- Toddlers and Children up to Age 5



While SNAP and WIC have different eligibility requirements, they generally share the same income guidelines. In fact, you may automatically be eligible for WIC programs after enrolling in SNAP.

Click Here to See WIC's Eligibility Requirements





Amazon Prime is available for \$5.99/month* for EBT and select government assistance recipients. *Price as of December 5th, 2021 Amazon Prime membership includes several benefits, including special benefits for SNAP participants:

Pay with SNAP EBT

Amazon now accepts SNAP EBT for eligible groceries, with free shipping available.

Free Delivery

Free and convenient ways to get millions of items from the comfort of your home.

Award-Winning Movies & TV Shows

Skip the theater by streaming thousands of movies and shows, included in your membership with Prime Video.

Deals just for Prime Members

Get exclusive access to discount deals and member savings.

Unlimited Photo Storage

Prime members get free unlimited photo storage and 5 GB for video with Amazon Photos.

Secure Delivery and Returns

Pick up and return packages at a time and place that is convenient for you using Amazon Hub Lockers.

Subscribe & Save

Use Amazon Subscribe & Save to save up to 15% on thousands of everyday essentials, and up to 20% on diapers.

Shop in Spanish

Amazon allows you to select the language you prefer for browsing, shopping, and communications.



