

# Food Assistance Resources



## 211

Get connected to local resources.

Call: 211

[211wny.org/](http://211wny.org/)

## FeedMore WNY

Food Finder: [feedmorewny.org/programs-services/find-food/pantry-locator/](http://feedmorewny.org/programs-services/find-food/pantry-locator/)

Mobile Pantry Schedule:

[feedmorewny.org/programs-services/find-food/mobile-food-pantry](http://feedmorewny.org/programs-services/find-food/mobile-food-pantry)

## Feeding America: Food Finder

[feedingamerica.org/find-your-local-foodbank](http://feedingamerica.org/find-your-local-foodbank)

## Find Help: Food, Cash, & Housing Assistance

[findhelp.org](http://findhelp.org)

## FlashFood

[flashfood.com/](http://flashfood.com/)

Fresh produce, meat, and more at up to 50% off. With the Flashfood app, find deals at your local grocery store and enjoy more for less. TOPS is a local partner.

## Freedge: Community Fridges

[freedged.org/locations/](http://freedged.org/locations/)

## Free Little Pantry

[mapping.littlefreepantry.org/](http://mapping.littlefreepantry.org/)

## Pantry Referral

ECDSS SNAP Call Center

716-858-7239

Households in emergency need of food assistance may request a pantry referral

## SNAP Benefits During the Government Shutdown

The USDA has released a statement announcing that SNAP benefits will not be distributed on November 1 if the shutdown continues.

### Can I still apply for SNAP during the shutdown if I don't already receive SNAP benefits?

Yes. New York State Local Departments of Social Services are open. You may still apply at your local office, or online at [mybenefits.ny.gov](http://mybenefits.ny.gov).

If you live in New York City (NYC), you can apply online at ACCESS HRA or in-person at an Human Resources Administration (HRA) SNAP center.

### Are there any restrictions on using SNAP benefits during the shutdown?

No. Your Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) card will continue to work normally, and you can use your benefits at any participating retailer or farmers market. SNAP benefits are available on your EBT card for 274 days from the date they are issued. You can check your SNAP benefit balance by visiting [ebtEDGE.com](http://ebtEDGE.com) or by calling 1-888-328-6399.

### Do I have to continue to meet all SNAP requirements during the shutdown?

Yes. You are still required to recertify, complete periodic reports, report changes and respond to requests from your local department of social services or NYC HRA as usual.

### What if I am due to recertify for SNAP and haven't sent in my completed recertification yet?

You must do so as soon as possible. SNAP recertification applications can be submitted online at [www.mybenefits.ny.gov](http://www.mybenefits.ny.gov), dropped off (in-person), mailed, faxed to your local department of social services or SNAP center.



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