



Federal Government Shutdown and H.R. 1 Impacts to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) in Oregon

November 13, 2025

Agenda

1. **Federal government shutdown**
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November SNAP benefits issued in full

- Governor directed ODHS to issue **100% of November's benefits** to SNAP recipients by the morning of Nov. 7.
- All SNAP-eligible people received their full benefit by Nov. 7, regardless of their usual payment schedule.
- **Federal actions over the weekend of Nov. 8 – 9 have not reversed Oregon's benefit issuance.** Benefits remain on people's EBT cards and can be used as usual.



Hunger emergency continues

Governor confirmed on Nov. 7 that the **emergency declaration will remain in place** until federal uncertainty is resolved.

- ODHS **incident management team (IMT)** coordinating statewide response
- \$5M to **Oregon Food Bank** network
- \$1M distributed equally across **Nine Federally Recognized Tribes**
- Statewide **food donation campaign**



What's not changing

ODHS is still open for business.



EBT cards still work as usual during the shutdown.



People can still apply for benefits.

Visit benefits.Oregon.gov to learn more about how to apply.



Other than SNAP, ODHS benefits and services are not currently impacted by the shutdown.



Resources for finding food

- Visit ODHS' food resource webpage at needfood.oregon.gov
- Visit ODHS' [free food events](#) listings.



House Resolution 1: Four major areas of impact

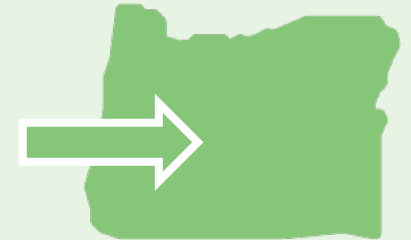
Individuals and families

- Less money to buy food
- More hoops to jump through



Cost shifts to the state

- State share of SNAP administrative costs jumps from 50% to 75%
- State may have to pay up to 15% of people's SNAP benefits



Eligibility workload

- Reviewing more SNAP participants' working status
- Supporting clients through the changes



Oregon's food economy

- Less money to grocers, farmers, and other food workers
- Increased demand for food banks



H.R.1 SNAP notices sent Oct. 15

- Notice was sent to all individuals who may be required to participate in **able-bodied adults without dependents (ABAWD) federal work rules**.
 - Visit the [ODHS website](#) to learn more about SNAP work rules, including a list of ABAWD work rule exemptions under the “Exemptions” tab.
- Notices were also sent to:
 - **Lawfully present non-citizens** facing reduction or ending of their benefits
 - People impacted by new federal limits on energy assistance-based **Standard Utility Allowance**.



Protect Your EBT Card and Benefits

Freeze your card between uses

When you're not using your EBT card, freeze the card for extra protection. Simply unfreeze it when you are ready to make a purchase.

Visit the [ebtEDGE website](#) or use the mobile app and find "Freeze Card" under "Account Services."

Block out-of-state and online purchases

You can block these purchases to protect your card from unauthorized use.

Visit the [ebtEDGE website](#) or use the mobile app and find "Protect My Account" under "Account Services." You can remove blocks at any time.

Monitor your EBT account activity

Make a habit to check your account regularly for any unusual charges.

If you see a charge you didn't make, [report it immediately](#). Cancel your card and call the replacement line at 855-328-6517 or go to an [ODHS office](#).

Protect Your EBT Card and Benefits webpage includes printable resources in 10 languages:

- [Brochure](#)
- [Flyer](#)
- [Wallet card](#)

Visit the ODHS website for the latest updates

- **General updates** about [federal changes](#)
- **Federal shutdown resources:**
 - Federal government shutdown and SNAP benefits information in [English](#) and [Spanish](#)
 - Printable flyers and wallet cards in multiple languages
 - FAQs
 - SNAP data by county



Join us next week

- **Forward Together Oregon Webinar**
 - Next Tuesday Nov. 18 at 10AM
 - [Registration Link](#)
- **SNAP Partner Meeting** (rescheduled due to the Thanksgiving holiday)
 - Next Thursday Nov. 20 at 2PM
 - [Link to attend](#)



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