

# Food Assistance for People With Legal System Involvement



## Can I Get SNAP?

**You may qualify for SNAP as soon as you are released.** You cannot get SNAP while incarcerated. But you can apply for SNAP if you have a scheduled release date. The Missouri Department of Social Services (DSS) may process your application before your release. If you qualify, you can get benefits soon after your release.

**If you have a past conviction, you may still qualify for SNAP.** Special rules could apply. If you were convicted of certain drug felonies after August 1996, you might not be eligible or might need to do extra steps to get SNAP.

## How Do I Apply for SNAP?



[mydss.mo.gov/food-assistance/apply-for-snap](https://mydss.mo.gov/food-assistance/apply-for-snap)

Request a printed application at your local SNAP office or by calling 855-373-4636. Mail or fax your completed application to: Family Support Division, P.O. Box 2700, Jefferson City, MO 65102. Fax: 573-526-9400

## What Is SNAP?



SNAP is a food assistance program. SNAP helps people with low incomes buy nutritious food.



SNAP benefits come on an Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) card.

That is why some people call SNAP “EBT benefits.” The EBT card works like a debit card. You can only use SNAP to buy food.

## Benefit Amounts

Benefit amounts depend on income.

Household size	Monthly income limit before taxes	Maximum monthly benefit amount
1	\$1,632	\$292
2	\$2,215	\$536
3	\$2,798	\$768
4	\$3,380	\$975
5	\$3,963	\$1,158
6	\$4,546	\$1,390
7	\$5,129	\$1,536
Additional household member	+\$583	+\$246

*Table current until September 29, 2025*