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## FOOD STAMPS ON-LINE: A REVIEW OF STATE GOVERNMENT FOOD STAMP WEBSITES

All states make information regarding the Food Stamp Program,<sup>1</sup> including their applications, state policy manuals or regulations, and general program information, available to the public via the World Wide Web.<sup>2</sup> The Center on Budget and Policy Priorities reviewed each state's web pages to determine what information and services they offer regarding the Food Stamp Program.

This paper provides links to the addresses for each state's food stamp web pages and also provides an overview of the types of information and services that states provide. Those interested in expanding the services provided on their state's web page may find the overview section helpful because it highlights the various features states offer, such as benefit calculators or office locators.

Readers may access states' web page listings and addresses by using the comprehensive list at the end of the paper.

### Overview of Findings

There is significant variation among states' food stamp web pages and their on-line services. Some states provide a simple description of the program on their agency's website. Others offer applications, benefit calculators, pre-screening tools, detailed program operation instructions for caseworkers, known as "policy manuals," and copies of program memoranda to eligibility workers that describe policy changes to the program. By making all of these materials readily accessible to the public, states can facilitate an improved understanding of the Food Stamp Program. The table below summarizes the types of services available and which states offer them.

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<sup>1</sup> Effective October 1, 2008, the 2007 farm bill renamed the Food Stamp Program the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or SNAP.

<sup>2</sup> For purposes of this paper, the term "state" includes the fifty states and the District of Columbia, but not U.S. territories such as Guam or the Virgin Islands.

**TABLE 1**  
**OVERVIEW OF SERVICES AVAILABLE ON STATE FOOD STAMP WEB PAGES**

<b>Features</b>	<b>States that Offer</b>	<b>Total</b>
Printable Applications	AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, DC, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY	51
On-line Applications	AZ, CA (some counties), DE, FL, GA, IA, IL, IN (some counties), KS, MD, MA, NE, NJ, NY (some counties), PA, RI, TN, TX, UT, VA, WA, WV, WI	23
Eligibility Screening Tools	AK, AR, FL, IA, IN, KS, MD, MA, MI, MN, NE, NJ, NY, RI, TN, TX, VA, WA	18
Benefit Calculators	CA, DE, GA, IL, NJ, ND, OR, PA, SC, TX, WA, WV, WI	13
Link to USDA's Benefit Calculator	AL, CA, CO, IA, ID, KY, LA, MS, MO, NV, NM, NC, OH, OK, SD, UT, WV, WY	18
On-line Policy Manuals	AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, DE, DC, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY	49
Basic Program Information	AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, DC, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY	51

- **Printable applications** are available on every state website. State food stamp agencies with websites are required by law to make their food stamp application available on-line. In addition, the application must be posted to the website in every language in which the state makes paper copies available. Thirty-seven states make their application available online in Spanish, while 13 states make it available in one or more additional foreign languages. Making applications available on-line is a helpful tool for those interested in increasing access to the Food Stamp Program. It allows potential food stamp participants to review or to complete the application outside of the welfare office, often with the help of a community services agency. By seeing the application in advance of going to the welfare office, individuals can familiarize themselves with the information required to complete the application process. This simple step can help to make the process more transparent and less daunting to potential applicants.
- **On-line applications** actually allow individuals to complete and submit an application over the internet. Twenty states offer on-line applications throughout the entire state, in addition to their printable application: Arizona, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Iowa, Illinois, Kansas, Maryland, Massachusetts, Nebraska, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. Another three states -- California, Indiana and New York -- offer online applications in certain areas. Fourteen states make their on-line

application available in Spanish as well: Arizona, California, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Nebraska, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, and Wisconsin.

On-line applications are a very promising option to facilitate enrollment in the program. Using this tool, individuals can apply for food stamps directly from any computer that has an internet connection. Most applicants will likely have to visit the welfare office to finalize their application and to provide verification of their circumstances, but an on-line application helps them to initiate the process. Getting the process started earlier is important to low-income families — it can mean extra benefits and faster service. Eligible applicants receive benefits retroactive to their date of application and states must process applications consistent with the rules governing paper applications.

- **Eligibility screening tools** are available on 18 state websites. This tool asks users several questions about their income and household circumstances and, based on the responses, informs users of their potential eligibility for public benefits. Many eligible individuals do not know or believe that they qualify for food stamps and state-operated screening or self-assessment tools can be very powerful outreach tools to those dubious about their eligibility. Screening tools are most effective if questions are limited to the most pertinent eligibility issues and assist users with the answers rather than requiring users to fill in blank spaces.

Kansas's screening tool is a good example of how to structure a short, easy-to-use tool. It is only one page long and for each question provides several answers from which to choose. Based on the information provided by the user, the Kansas screening tool provides a list of potential programs for which the user may be eligible, including food stamps, and a direct link to descriptive information about, and online applications for, those programs.

- **Benefit calculators** are available on twenty-nine state websites (18 of these are links to the USDA Benefit Calculator). Benefit calculators are similar to eligibility screening tools; however, they also provide users with an estimate of the amount of benefits for which they might qualify. In addition to the perception that they are not eligible, a major reason low-income individuals do not participate in the Food Stamp Program is they often believe (incorrectly) that they would only receive a low level of benefits. By giving interested individuals an estimate of their potential benefit amount, a benefit calculator addresses this misperception and helps the individual to assess whether applying for assistance would be worth the time and energy.

Benefit calculators necessarily have to ask more questions than screening tools, typically about a household's deductible expenses. Nevertheless, it is important to strike a balance between brevity and detail to avoid both bogging down users in programmatic detail and misleading them by omitting pertinent eligibility criteria. One way to achieve this is to keep the calculator concise and to inform users that there are additional eligibility criteria that the state will have to screen for, such as immigration status. For intended users, the calculator could provide basic information about these additional criteria in a tone that encourages users to apply. Similarly, calculators can get overwhelming and cumbersome for users if they attempt to determine eligibility and benefit levels for numerous programs.

Pennsylvania's benefit calculator does a good job of asking for needed information on four screens using graphics and simple language to avoid any confusion. The final result includes an estimated benefit and links to immediately apply for a variety of programs online. In addition to

food stamps, the program can screen for eligibility for medical benefits, cash assistance, school meals, child care grants, heating assistance, and several other programs. By contrast, South Carolina's benefit calculator is shorter — one page with only seven questions, although it screens only for food stamps. It provides links to an information page on how to apply and a page with office locations. Both states' calculators avoid being overly cumbersome by not asking about important eligibility information such as household resources, but include general language warning that there are other eligibility criteria one must satisfy to receive benefits.

If a state is unable to develop its own benefit calculator, it can provide a link directly to the USDA Benefit Calculator in order to give potential food stamp recipients an approximation of the amount of food stamps that could be received. Eighteen states have chosen to provide this link.

- **On-line policy manuals** are an additional tool offered on 49 state websites (all except Connecticut and Vermont). Some states have web-based policy manuals in the form of a searchable database. Providing a searchable manual helps to make state policies easy to locate and transparent to the public. For example, Illinois's policy manual includes a clear list of contents, a separate listing of new manual releases, and an easy-to-use search-engine that provides clear and detailed search results.

Another useful feature that some states offer is information about recent changes to the state's policy manual. Typically, the state posts policy memoranda to caseworkers that describe the changes. In many cases, these memos are difficult for non-experts to navigate because they are written in very technical language. Wisconsin provides a good example of how to make these memoranda, called "green sheets" in Wisconsin, more accessible to the public and potentially more useful to caseworkers. Each green sheet is structured in the same way. It explains the policy change in simple language, provides a rationale for the change, and outlines the differences between old and new policy. This makes it possible for individuals without technical knowledge to comprehend changes to state policies as well as why the changes were made.

- **Program information** varies on each state website. States generally offer at least some basic food stamp program information on their websites, including eligibility requirements and a description of how to apply for food stamps. Often times, however, these descriptions focus on the legislative history of the program or jump immediately to program restrictions rather than outline the program's purpose in helping low-income individuals and families or convey the state agency's service philosophy. What a state says about the Food Stamp Program on its web page sets a tone and conveys a message to the public about the agency's philosophy.

For example, the Nevada web page is very welcoming and explains how the program can help:

*"Many Nevadans have trouble making ends meet each month. After paying for rent, utilities, transportation, and child care, there is often little left over to buy nutritious food. But it doesn't have to be that way. Each month thousands of families across the state turn to the Nevada State Division of Welfare and Supportive Services for assistance in the form of food stamp benefits to help feed their families. Read on to learn how you can receive help if you qualify."*

This introduction is followed by a number of links designed to address common concerns and provide important information. The information provided is similar in content to what many other states provide, but it is very easy to understand and it focuses on the program from the low-income individual's perspective rather than from a program operations perspective.

In addition to basic program information, more than half the states offer office-locator tools such as maps and zip-code searches to help individuals locate their local community service office. For example, Oklahoma's website provides an office locator feature using a map of the state. Users click on the county where they live and the site provides the address, phone number, operating hours, and a picture of each county's welfare offices. Even a simple list of offices, organized by county, as many states provide, may be very helpful to prospective applicants.

Some states also provide additional administrative forms on their sites that may be very useful for clients. Maryland, for example, provides printable versions of hearing request forms or forms to report changes in household circumstances. Traditionally, states provided these forms only at the local office. By making this type of paperwork available on the web, states potentially reduces administrative burden on local office staff because clients can access the forms they need directly or seek the help of a community group to obtain and to complete the forms.

## **State Government Websites on the Food Stamp Program**

Below is a listing of state government resources regarding the Food Stamp Program posted on the web. For a comprehensive list of states resources on all major low-income programs, see "Online Information About Key Low-Income Benefit Programs", which can be found at <http://www.cbpp.org/1-14-04tanf.htm>.

There are several important caveats to consider when using this list. States are not consistent in their use of terms such as "policy manual." Furthermore, this list was not developed via a comprehensive survey of states and may not be complete. Please notify [Tina Marshall](#) at the Center to update or revise this list.

### **ALABAMA — Department of Human Resources**

- Administrative Code (*searchable*)  
<http://www.alabamaadministrativecode.state.al.us/docs/hres/index.html>
- Food Stamp Program Information and link to USDA Benefit Calculator  
<http://www.dhr.state.al.us/page.asp?pageid=159>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
[http://www.dhr.state.al.us/large\\_docs/Food%20Stamp%20Application.PDF](http://www.dhr.state.al.us/large_docs/Food%20Stamp%20Application.PDF)

### **ALASKA — Division of Public Assistance**

- Food Stamp Program Manual  
<http://dpaweb.hss.state.ak.us/manuals/fs/fsp.htm>
- Food Stamp Program Information and link to Eligibility Screening Tool  
<http://www.hss.state.ak.us/dpa/programs/fstamps/>

- Direct Link to Printable Application Packet  
<http://www.hss.state.ak.us/dpa/forms/gen50b-packet.pdf>

## **ARIZONA — Family Assistance Administration**

- Arizona Integrated Manual and Benefit Information Guide  
<https://www.azdes.gov/faa/Policy/Default.html>
- Food Stamp Program Information  
<https://www.azdes.gov/faa/food.asp>
- Printable Application for Cash Assistance, Food Stamps, and AHCCCS Health Insurance (in English and Spanish)  
<https://egov.azdes.gov/cmsinternet/appforms.aspx?category=75&menu=162>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
[https://egov.azdes.gov/CMS400Min/InternetFiles/InternetProgrammaticForms/doc/FA-001%20English%20\(9-07\)%20\(FF\).doc](https://egov.azdes.gov/CMS400Min/InternetFiles/InternetProgrammaticForms/doc/FA-001%20English%20(9-07)%20(FF).doc) (English)  
[https://egov.azdes.gov/CMS400Min/InternetFiles/InternetProgrammaticForms/doc/FA-001%20Spanish%20\(9-07\)%20\(FF\)\(LP\).doc](https://egov.azdes.gov/CMS400Min/InternetFiles/InternetProgrammaticForms/doc/FA-001%20Spanish%20(9-07)%20(FF)(LP).doc) (Spanish)
- Online Application for Cash Assistance, Food Stamps, and AHCCCS Health Insurance (in English and Spanish)  
<https://www.healtharizona.org/app/Default.aspx>

## **ARKANSAS — Department of Human Services**

- Food Stamp Certification Manual (*searchable*)  
[http://www.accessarkansas.org/dhs/webpolicy/FSC\\_TOC.htm](http://www.accessarkansas.org/dhs/webpolicy/FSC_TOC.htm)
- Food Stamp Program Information and Printable Application (in English and Spanish)  
<http://www.state.ar.us/dhs/dco/OPPD/index.html#Supplemental%20Nutrition%20Assistance%20Program>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://www.state.ar.us/dhs/dco/NewDCO/DCO-215RequestforAssistancerev0907.doc> (English)  
[http://www.state.ar.us/dhs/dco/NewDCO/DCO-215-Sp%20\(R11-07\).doc](http://www.state.ar.us/dhs/dco/NewDCO/DCO-215-Sp%20(R11-07).doc) (Spanish)
- Online Eligibility Screener  
<https://access.arkansas.gov/Welcome.aspx>

## **CALIFORNIA — Department of Social Services**

- Manual of Policies and Procedures  
<http://www.cdss.ca.gov/ord/PG303.htm>
- Food Stamp Program Information, link to USDA Benefit Calculator, and Printable Application (in English, Chinese, Russian, Spanish, and Vietnamese)  
<http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/foodstamps/>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/foodstamps/entres/forms/english/DFA285A1.PDF> (English)  
<http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/foodstamps/entres/forms/chinese/DFA285A1CH.pdf> (Chinese)  
<http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/foodstamps/entres/forms/russian/DFA285A1RS.pdf> (Russian)  
[http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/foodstamps/entres/forms/spanish/DFA285\\_A1SP.pdf](http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/foodstamps/entres/forms/spanish/DFA285_A1SP.pdf) (Spanish)  
[http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/foodstamps/entres/forms/vietnamese/DFA285A1\\_VT.pdf](http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/foodstamps/entres/forms/vietnamese/DFA285A1_VT.pdf) (Vietnamese)
- Online Application (Merced, Stanislaus, Riverside and San Bernardino Counties only) (in English and Spanish)  
<https://www.c4yourself.com/c4yourself/index.htm>
- Benefit Calculator  
[https://www.c4yourself.com/c4yourself/services/startApplication?\\_flowExecutionKey=cD3F0C8C4-F322-058E-D632-E8AC17421D75\\_k4D6D8C6E-E0A7-8936-464F-9B5CE49C3E75](https://www.c4yourself.com/c4yourself/services/startApplication?_flowExecutionKey=cD3F0C8C4-F322-058E-D632-E8AC17421D75_k4D6D8C6E-E0A7-8936-464F-9B5CE49C3E75)

## **COLORADO — Department of Human Services**

- Food Stamps Policy Manual (*not searchable*)  
[http://stateboard.cdhs.state.co.us:8008/CDHS/rule\\_display\\$.TOC?p\\_vol\\_num=4](http://stateboard.cdhs.state.co.us:8008/CDHS/rule_display$.TOC?p_vol_num=4)
- Food Stamp Program Information and link to USDA Benefit Calculator  
<http://www.cdhs.state.co.us/fap/>
- Printable Application (in English and Spanish)  
<http://www.cdhs.state.co.us/fap/HowDoIApplyForFoodAssistance.htm>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://www.cdhs.state.co.us/fap/PDFs/FormCombinedFAApplicationReceipt3-2009.pdf> (English)  
<http://www.cdhs.state.co.us/fap/PDFs/SpFormCombinedFAApplicationReceipt4-2009.pdf> (Spanish)

## **CONNECTICUT — Department of Social Services**

- Food Stamp Program Information  
<http://www.ct.gov/dss/cwp/view.asp?a=2353&q=411676>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://www.ct.gov/dss/lib/dss/pdfs/w-1food.pdf> (English)  
<http://www.ct.gov/dss/lib/dss/pdfs/w-1food-s.pdf> (Spanish)

## **DELAWARE — Department of Health and Social Services**

- Food Stamp Program Regulations  
<http://regulations.delaware.gov/AdminCode/title16/5000/5100/9000/index.shtml>
- Food Stamp Program Information:  
<http://www.dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dss/foodstamps.html>
- Printable Applications (English and Spanish)  
<http://www.dhss.delaware.gov/dss/pubs.html>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://www.dhss.delaware.gov/dss/files/dssapplicationenglish.pdf> (English)  
<http://www.dhss.delaware.gov/dss/files/dssapplicationspanish.pdf> (Spanish)
- Benefit Calculator and Online Application  
<https://assist.dhss.delaware.gov/PGM/ASP/SC001.asp>

## **DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA — Department of Human Services**

- Income Maintenance Administration Policy Manual (*searchable*)  
<http://dhs.dc.gov/dhs/cwp/view.a.1345.Q.604418.asp>
- Local Office Information  
<http://www.dhs.dc.gov/dhs/cwp/view.a.3.q.492404.asp>  
<http://answersplease.dc.gov/answersplease/site/default.asp>
- Food Stamp Program Information  
<http://www.dhs.dc.gov/dhs/cwp/view.a.3.q.641238.asp>
- Printable Application (in English and Spanish)  
<http://www.dhs.dc.gov/dhs/cwp/view.asp?a=3&Q=568277&dhsNAV=|30980|>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
[http://www.dhs.dc.gov/dhs/frames.asp?doc=/dhs/lib/dhs/pdfs/ima/ima\\_combined\\_app\\_\(eng\)\\_v24\\_0913\\_05.pdf](http://www.dhs.dc.gov/dhs/frames.asp?doc=/dhs/lib/dhs/pdfs/ima/ima_combined_app_(eng)_v24_0913_05.pdf) (English)  
[http://www.dhs.dc.gov/dhs/frames.asp?doc=/dhs/lib/dhs/pdfs/ima/ima\\_combined\\_app\\_\(span\)\\_v24\\_0913\\_05.pdf](http://www.dhs.dc.gov/dhs/frames.asp?doc=/dhs/lib/dhs/pdfs/ima/ima_combined_app_(span)_v24_0913_05.pdf) (Spanish)

## **FLORIDA — Department of Health and Human Services**

- Economic Self-Sufficiency Program Policy Manual (*searchable*)  
<http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/publications/esspolicymanual/index.shtml>
- Food Stamp Program Information  
<http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/ess/foodstamps.shtml>
- Online Application and Eligibility Screening Tool (in English, Spanish, and Creole)  
<http://www.myflorida.com/accessflorida/>
- Printable Application (in English, Spanish, and Creole) (*Access Florida Application*)  
<http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/ess/agencyforms.shtml>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/DCFForms/Search/OpenDCFForm.aspx?FormId=76> (English)  
<http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/DCFForms/Search/OpenDCFForm.aspx?FormId=78> (Spanish)  
<http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/DCFForms/Search/OpenDCFForm.aspx?FormId=77> (Creole)

## **GEORGIA — Department of Family and Children Services**

- Food Stamp Program Manual (*searchable*)  
[http://www.odis.dhr.state.ga.us/3000\\_fam/3420\\_food/MAN3420.doc](http://www.odis.dhr.state.ga.us/3000_fam/3420_food/MAN3420.doc)
- Food Stamp Program Information and Printable Application (in English and Spanish)  
<http://www.georgia.gov/DHR/dfcs.dhr.georgia.gov/portal/site/DHR-DFCS/menuitem.5d32235bb09bde9a50c8798dd03036a0/indexf59d.html?vgnnextoid=024a2b48d9a4ff00VgnVCM100000bf01010aRCRD> (English)  
<http://www.georgia.gov/DHR/dfcs.dhr.georgia.gov/portal/site/DHR-DFCS/menuitem.5d32235bb09bde9a50c8798dd03036a0/index5cc5.html?vgnnextoid=e1ca2b48d9a4ff00VgnVCM100000bf01010aRCRD> (Spanish)
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
[http://www.georgia.gov/DHR/dfcs.dhr.georgia.gov/DHR-DFCS/DHR-DFCS\\_Food\\_Stamps/297revised101906\\_1.pdf](http://www.georgia.gov/DHR/dfcs.dhr.georgia.gov/DHR-DFCS/DHR-DFCS_Food_Stamps/297revised101906_1.pdf) (English)  
[http://www.georgia.gov/DHR/dfcs.dhr.georgia.gov/DHR-DFCS/DHR-DFCS\\_Food\\_Stamps/Form%20297SP%20\(Rav.%2010-06\).doc](http://www.georgia.gov/DHR/dfcs.dhr.georgia.gov/DHR-DFCS/DHR-DFCS_Food_Stamps/Form%20297SP%20(Rav.%2010-06).doc) (Spanish)
- Online Application and Benefit Calculator (in English and Spanish)  
<https://compass.ga.gov/>

## **HAWAII — Department of Human Services**

- Food Stamp Administrative Rules (*scroll to Benefit, Employment and Support Services Division*)  
[http://hawaii.gov/dhs/main/har/har\\_current/AdminRules/document\\_view](http://hawaii.gov/dhs/main/har/har_current/AdminRules/document_view)
- Food Stamp Program Information  
<http://hawaii.gov/dhs/self-sufficiency/benefit/index.html#FNS>  
<http://hawaii.gov/dhs/self-sufficiency/benefit/FNS>
- Online / Printable Application for Assistance Programs (Application can be filled out online and then printed, but it cannot be submitted online)  
[https://www.realchoices.org/site/408/financial\\_assistancefood\\_stamp\\_application\\_form.aspx](https://www.realchoices.org/site/408/financial_assistancefood_stamp_application_form.aspx)

## **IDAHO — Department of Health and Welfare**

- Food Stamp Policy Manual  
[http://www.healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/Portals/\\_Rainbow/Manuals/FS/FS\\_Handbook.htm](http://www.healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/Portals/_Rainbow/Manuals/FS/FS_Handbook.htm)
- Food Stamp Program Information and link to USDA Eligibility Calculator  
<http://www.healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/site/3413/default.aspx>
- Direct Link to Printable Application for Assistance (in English and Spanish)  
<http://www.healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/DesktopModules/DocumentsSortable/DocumentsSortView.aspx?tabID=0&ItemID=185&MIId=10385&wversion=Staging> (English)

<http://www.healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/DesktopModules/DocumentsSortable/DocumentsSrtView.aspx?tabID=0&ItemID=3344&MIId=10385&wversion=Staging> (Spanish)

## **ILLINOIS — Department of Human Services**

- Administrative Code – Food Stamp Title  
<http://www.ilga.gov/commission/jcar/admincode/089/08900121sections.html>
- Food Stamp Policy Manual  
<http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=4107>
- Food Stamp Program Information  
<http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=30357>
- Printable Application (in English and Spanish)  
<http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=33698>
- Online Application (in English and Spanish)  
<http://fspp.dhs.state.il.us/register/wb/wbHomePre.do>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://www.dhs.state.il.us/OneNetLibrary/27897/documents/Forms/IL444-2378B.pdf> (English)  
<http://www.dhs.state.il.us/OneNetLibrary/27897/documents/Forms/IL444-2378BS.pdf> (Spanish)
- Benefit Calculator (in English and Spanish)  
<http://www.dhs.state.il.us:8080/FSCalc/FSInputCalc.do?lang=en>

## **INDIANA — Family and Social Services Administration**

- Administrative Code – Food Stamp Title (*select Food Stamp Program*)  
<http://www.in.gov/legislative/iac/title470.html>
- Program Policy Manual for Cash Assistance, Food Stamps, and Health Coverage (*searchable*) (in English and Spanish)  
<http://www.in.gov/fssa/dfr/3301.htm>
- Food Stamp Program Information  
<http://www.in.gov/fssa/dfr/2691.htm>
- Printable Application (in English and Spanish)  
<http://www.in.gov/fssa/dfr/3100.htm>
- Online Application and Eligibility Screener (only available in some counties; go to <http://www.in.gov/fssa/2954.htm> to determine if service is available in a county) (in English and Spanish)  
[https://www.ifcem.com/HCSSRequest/en\\_US/External\\_screeningHomePage.do](https://www.ifcem.com/HCSSRequest/en_US/External_screeningHomePage.do)
- Eligibility Screener  
<http://www.in.gov/qualcheck/LoginServlet?Application=inscreening>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://www.in.gov/icpr/webfile/formsdiv/30465.pdf> (English)  
<http://www.in.gov/icpr/webfile/formsdiv/48399.pdf> (Spanish)

## **IOWA — Department of Human Services**

- Food Stamp Policy Manual (*searchable – scroll down for “Food Assistance” Section*)  
<http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/policyanalysis/PolicyManualPages/IncomeMaint.htm#Food%20Stamps>
- Food Stamp Program Information, link to USDA Benefit Calculator and Printable Application (in English and Spanish)  
[http://www.dhs.iowa.gov/Consumers/Assistance\\_Programs/FoodAssistance/index.html](http://www.dhs.iowa.gov/Consumers/Assistance_Programs/FoodAssistance/index.html)
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
[http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/policyanalysis/PolicyManualPages/Manual\\_Documents/Forms/470-0306.pdf](http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/policyanalysis/PolicyManualPages/Manual_Documents/Forms/470-0306.pdf) (English)  
[http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/policyanalysis/PolicyManualPages/Manual\\_Documents/Forms/470-0307.pdf](http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/policyanalysis/PolicyManualPages/Manual_Documents/Forms/470-0307.pdf) (Spanish)

- Eligibility Screener  
<https://dhssecure.dhs.state.ia.us/yesfood/>
- Online Application  
<https://dhssecure.dhs.state.ia.us/faweb/>

## **KANSAS — Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services**

- Kansas Economic and Employment Support Manual (*searchable*)  
<http://www.srskansas.org/KEESM/KEESM.htm>
- Food Stamp Program Information (English and Spanish)  
[http://srskansas.org/ISD/ees/food\\_stamps.htm](http://srskansas.org/ISD/ees/food_stamps.htm)
- Online Application (includes Eligibility Screener) and Printable Applications (in English and Spanish)  
[http://www.srskansas.org/ISD/ees/applications\\_main.html](http://www.srskansas.org/ISD/ees/applications_main.html)
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
[http://www.srskansas.org/KEESM/Forms/ES-3100\\_assist\\_for\\_families\\_02\\_07.pdf](http://www.srskansas.org/KEESM/Forms/ES-3100_assist_for_families_02_07.pdf) (English)  
[http://www.srskansas.org/KEESM/Forms/ES-3100\\_Spanish\\_new.pdf](http://www.srskansas.org/KEESM/Forms/ES-3100_Spanish_new.pdf) (Spanish)

## **KENTUCKY — Cabinet for Families and Children**

- Food Stamp Operation Manual (*searchable – click on “Volume II – Food Stamp Program”*)  
[http://manuals.chfs.ky.gov/dcbs\\_manuals/DFS/index\\_dfs.asp](http://manuals.chfs.ky.gov/dcbs_manuals/DFS/index_dfs.asp)
- Food Stamp Program Information, link to USDA Benefit Calculator, and Printable Application  
<http://chfs.ky.gov/dcbs/dfs/foodstampsebt.htm>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://chfs.ky.gov/NR/rdonlyres/0A81E704-89FB-42BD-9EB4-8DEC8843D773/16100/KIM77.doc>

## **LOUISIANA — Department of Social Services**

- Louisiana Social Services Regulations (*not searchable – see “Subpart 3” for Food Stamps*)  
<http://doa.louisiana.gov/osr/lac/67v01/67v01.pdf>
- Food Stamp Program Information, link to USDA Benefit Calculator  
<http://www.dss.state.la.us/index.cfm?md=pagebuilder&tmp=home&pid=93>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
[http://www.dss.state.la.us/assets/docs/searchable/OFS/Applications/OFS004APPApplication\\_rev0109.pdf](http://www.dss.state.la.us/assets/docs/searchable/OFS/Applications/OFS004APPApplication_rev0109.pdf)

## **MAINE — Bureau of Family Independence**

- Food Stamp Certification Manual (*searchable*)  
<http://www.maine.gov/sos/cec/rules/10/ch301.htm>
- Food Stamp Program Information and link to Printable Application  
<http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/OIAS/snap/index.html>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/OIAS/snap/APP-01-07.pdf>

## **MARYLAND — Department of Human Resources**

- Food Stamp Manual (*searchable*)  
<http://www.dhr.state.md.us/manuals/fstamp.php>
- Food Stamp Program Information  
<http://www.dhr.state.md.us/fiaprograms/fstamp/index.php>

- Printable Application (in English, Spanish, and Russian)  
<http://www.dhr.state.md.us/fia/forms.htm>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://www.dhr.state.md.us/fia/doc/assist.pdf> (English)  
<http://www.dhr.state.md.us/fia/doc/assistsp.pdf> (Spanish)  
<http://www.dhr.state.md.us/fia/doc/assistrus.pdf> (Russian)
- Online Application  
<https://www.marylandsail.org/>
- Eligibility Screening Tool  
<https://www.marylandsail.org/Screening/Default.aspx>

## MASSACHUSETTS — Department of Transitional Assistance

- Food Stamp Policy Manual (*searchable*) (*scroll down to Food Stamp Program*)  
[http://www.mass.gov/?pageID=eohhs2terminal&L=4&L0=Home&L1=Government&L2=Laws%2c+Regulations+and+Policies&L3=Department+of+Transitional+Assistance+Regulations+and+Legal+Notices&sid=Eeohhs2&b=terminalcontent&f=dta\\_g\\_106cmr\\_309\\_367&csid=Eeohhs2](http://www.mass.gov/?pageID=eohhs2terminal&L=4&L0=Home&L1=Government&L2=Laws%2c+Regulations+and+Policies&L3=Department+of+Transitional+Assistance+Regulations+and+Legal+Notices&sid=Eeohhs2&b=terminalcontent&f=dta_g_106cmr_309_367&csid=Eeohhs2)
- Food Stamp Program Information and Printable Applications  
[http://www.mass.gov/?pageID=eohhs2terminal&L=5&L0=Home&L1=Consumer&L2=Basic+Needs&L3=Food+%26+Nutrition&L4=Food+Stamp+Benefits&sid=Eeohhs2&b=terminalcontent&f=dta\\_c\\_foodnut\\_ie\\_r\\_foodstamps&csid=Eeohhs2](http://www.mass.gov/?pageID=eohhs2terminal&L=5&L0=Home&L1=Consumer&L2=Basic+Needs&L3=Food+%26+Nutrition&L4=Food+Stamp+Benefits&sid=Eeohhs2&b=terminalcontent&f=dta_c_foodnut_ie_r_foodstamps&csid=Eeohhs2)
- Direct Links to Printable Applications (in English, Spanish, and Portuguese)  
[http://www.mass.gov/Eeohhs2/docs/dta/c\\_foodstampapp\\_eng.pdf](http://www.mass.gov/Eeohhs2/docs/dta/c_foodstampapp_eng.pdf) (English)  
[http://www.mass.gov/Eeohhs2/docs/dta/c\\_foodstampapp\\_sp.pdf](http://www.mass.gov/Eeohhs2/docs/dta/c_foodstampapp_sp.pdf) (Spanish)  
[http://www.mass.gov/Eeohhs2/docs/dta/c\\_foodstampapp\\_por.pdf](http://www.mass.gov/Eeohhs2/docs/dta/c_foodstampapp_por.pdf) (Portuguese)
- Eligibility Screening Tool and Online Application  
<https://service.hhs.state.ma.us/ier/jsp/screening/LoginServlet?Application=Screening>

## MICHIGAN — Family Independence Agency

- Policy and Procedures Manuals (*displays the table of contents—click on an item in the PDF to go to that item*)  
<http://www.mfia.state.mi.us/olmweb/ex/html/#financial>
- Food Stamp Program Information and Printable Application (in English and Spanish)  
[http://www.michigan.gov/fia/0,1607,7-124-5453\\_5527---,00.html](http://www.michigan.gov/fia/0,1607,7-124-5453_5527---,00.html)
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
[http://www.michigan.gov/documents/dhs/DHS\\_Information\\_Booklet\\_and\\_Assistance\\_Application\\_242170\\_7.pdf](http://www.michigan.gov/documents/dhs/DHS_Information_Booklet_and_Assistance_Application_242170_7.pdf) (English)  
[http://www.michigan.gov/dhs/0,1607,7-124-5453\\_5527-69239--,00.html](http://www.michigan.gov/dhs/0,1607,7-124-5453_5527-69239--,00.html) (Spanish)
- Eligibility Calculator  
<http://www.mfia.state.mi.us/mars/>

## MINNESOTA — Department of Human Services

- TANF, Food Stamps, and General Assistance Policy Manual (*searchable*)  
[http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/idcplg?IdcService=GET\\_DYNAMIC\\_CONVERSION&RevisionSelectionMethod=LatestReleased&dDocName=id\\_016956](http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/idcplg?IdcService=GET_DYNAMIC_CONVERSION&RevisionSelectionMethod=LatestReleased&dDocName=id_016956)  
[http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/groups/county\\_access/documents/pub/dhs16\\_144823.pdf](http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/groups/county_access/documents/pub/dhs16_144823.pdf)
- General Food Stamp Information and link to Eligibility Screening questionnaire (printable only)  
[http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/idcplg?IdcService=GET\\_DYNAMIC\\_CONVERSION&RevisionSelectionMethod=LatestReleased&Redirected=true&dDocName=id\\_002555](http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/idcplg?IdcService=GET_DYNAMIC_CONVERSION&RevisionSelectionMethod=LatestReleased&Redirected=true&dDocName=id_002555)
- Food Stamp Program Information  
[http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/idcplg?IdcService=GET\\_DYNAMIC\\_CONVERSION&RevisionSelectionMethod=LatestReleased&dDocName=id\\_002557](http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/idcplg?IdcService=GET_DYNAMIC_CONVERSION&RevisionSelectionMethod=LatestReleased&dDocName=id_002557)

- Direct Link to Printable Application (in eleven languages)  
<http://edocs.dhs.state.mn.us/lfserver/Legacy/DHS-5223-ENG> (English)  
<http://edocs.dhs.state.mn.us/lfserver/Legacy/DHS-3469-ARA> (Arabic)  
<http://edocs.dhs.state.mn.us/lfserver/Legacy/DHS-3469-HMN> (Hmong)  
<http://edocs.dhs.state.mn.us/lfserver/Legacy/DHS-3469-KHM> (Khmer)  
<http://edocs.dhs.state.mn.us/lfserver/Legacy/DHS-3469-LAO> (Lao)  
<http://edocs.dhs.state.mn.us/lfserver/Legacy/DHS-3469-ORM> (Oromo)  
<http://edocs.dhs.state.mn.us/lfserver/Legacy/DHS-3469-RUS> (Russian)  
<http://edocs.dhs.state.mn.us/lfserver/Legacy/DHS-3469-SCR> (Serbo-Croatian (Bosnia))  
<http://edocs.dhs.state.mn.us/lfserver/Legacy/DHS-3469-SOM> (Somali)  
<http://edocs.dhs.state.mn.us/lfserver/Legacy/DHS-3469-SPA> (Spanish)  
<http://edocs.dhs.state.mn.us/lfserver/Legacy/DHS-3469-VIE> (Vietnamese)

## **MISSISSIPPI — Department of Human Services**

- Mississippi Code [Title 43—Public Welfare] (*searchable*)  
<http://www.mscode.com/free/statutes/43/>
- Food Stamp Program Information  
[http://www.mdhs.state.ms.us/ea\\_fs.html](http://www.mdhs.state.ms.us/ea_fs.html)
- Link to USDA Benefit Calculator  
[http://www.mdhs.state.ms.us/ea\\_tool.htm](http://www.mdhs.state.ms.us/ea_tool.htm)
- Printable Application Forms (in English and Spanish)  
<http://www.mdhs.state.ms.us/agencyapps.htm>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
[http://www.mdhs.state.ms.us/ea\\_application.pdf](http://www.mdhs.state.ms.us/ea_application.pdf) (English)  
[http://www.mdhs.state.ms.us/ea\\_sapplication.html](http://www.mdhs.state.ms.us/ea_sapplication.html) (Spanish)

## **MISSOURI — Division of Family Services**

- Food Stamp Manual (*searchable*)  
<http://www.dss.mo.gov/fsd/iman/fstamps/fstoc.html>
- Food Stamp Program Information, link to USDA Benefit Calculator, and Printable Application (in English and Spanish)  
<http://www.dss.mo.gov/fsd/fstamp/index.htm>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
[http://www.dss.mo.gov/fsd/fstamp/pdf/fs1\\_1006.pdf](http://www.dss.mo.gov/fsd/fstamp/pdf/fs1_1006.pdf) (English)  
[http://www.dss.mo.gov/fsd/fstamp/pdf/fs1\\_spanish\\_0507.pdf](http://www.dss.mo.gov/fsd/fstamp/pdf/fs1_spanish_0507.pdf) (Spanish)

## **MONTANA — Department of Public Health and Human Services**

- Food Stamp Program Policy Manual (*searchable*)  
<http://www.dphhs.mt.gov/hcsd/fsmanual/index.shtml>
- Food Stamp Program Information  
<http://www.dphhs.mt.gov/hcsd/snap/index.shtml>
- Printable Application (English and Spanish)  
<http://vhsp.dphhs.mt.gov/publicassistance/index.shtml>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://www.dphhs.mt.gov/formsapplications/foodstamp.pdf> (English)  
<http://vhsp.dphhs.mt.gov/publicassistance/spanishhcs-2500907.pdf> (Spanish)

## **NEBRASKA — Health and Human Services System**

- Food Stamp Rules and Regulations (*searchable*)  
<http://www.hhs.state.ne.us/reg/t475.htm>
- Food Stamp Program Information and Printable Application for Assistance (in English and Spanish)  
<http://www.hhs.state.ne.us/fia/fstamps.htm>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://www.hhs.state.ne.us/fia/EA-117.pdf> (English)  
<http://www.hhs.state.ne.us/fia/EA-117s.pdf> (Spanish)
- Online Application and Eligibility Screener (in English and Spanish)  
<http://accessnebraska.ne.gov/>

## NEVADA — Welfare Division

- Food Stamps, Medical Programs, TANF Eligibility and Payments Manuals (*searchable*)  
[http://dwss.nv.gov/index.php?option=com\\_docman&task=cat\\_view&gid=63&Itemid=287](http://dwss.nv.gov/index.php?option=com_docman&task=cat_view&gid=63&Itemid=287)
- Food Stamp Program Information and link to USDA Benefit Calculator  
[http://dwss.nv.gov/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=84&Itemid=234](http://dwss.nv.gov/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=84&Itemid=234)
- Printable Application  
[http://dwss.nv.gov/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=86&Itemid=236](http://dwss.nv.gov/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=86&Itemid=236)
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
[http://dwss.nv.gov/dmdocuments/Forms\\_2905-EG.pdf](http://dwss.nv.gov/dmdocuments/Forms_2905-EG.pdf) (English)  
[http://dwss.nv.gov/index.php?option=com\\_docman&task=doc\\_download&gid=213&Itemid=287](http://dwss.nv.gov/index.php?option=com_docman&task=doc_download&gid=213&Itemid=287) (Spanish)

## NEW HAMPSHIRE — Department of Health and Human Services

- Food Stamp Manual (*searchable*)  
[http://www.dhhs.state.nh.us/fsm\\_htm/NEWFsm.HTM](http://www.dhhs.state.nh.us/fsm_htm/NEWFsm.HTM)
- Food Stamp Program Information  
<http://www.dhhs.state.nh.us/DHHS/FOODSTAMPS/default.htm>
- Printable Application for Assistance (in English, Spanish and Bosnian)  
<http://www.dhhs.state.nh.us/DHHS/DFA/LIBRARY/Form/dfa-application.htm>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
[http://www.dhhs.state.nh.us/NR/rdonlyres/ed406tzyiptn3x7vzy74l4643xglkjp76qisez775kcr6qys5r5usoztlvze\\_f3ad4cwa56rndotdeanayow4sbope6e/assistance.pdf](http://www.dhhs.state.nh.us/NR/rdonlyres/ed406tzyiptn3x7vzy74l4643xglkjp76qisez775kcr6qys5r5usoztlvze_f3ad4cwa56rndotdeanayow4sbope6e/assistance.pdf) (English)  
[http://www.dhhs.state.nh.us/NR/rdonlyres/efgyddipw4cygiufhxntcmderoutgkks5oadp5j63sh2oiumzaio4uzj4\\_ilz4tvrrir4osvdmk244hfs5geqwf4e/800sp.pdf](http://www.dhhs.state.nh.us/NR/rdonlyres/efgyddipw4cygiufhxntcmderoutgkks5oadp5j63sh2oiumzaio4uzj4_ilz4tvrrir4osvdmk244hfs5geqwf4e/800sp.pdf) (Spanish)  
[http://www.dhhs.state.nh.us/NR/rdonlyres/emkvaqkb2iitzpwhu5fuhad4266lkkhjeeitoqd7aukbu2fxy5vbsnloyf\\_hylkbvincz4kjtvdbyxxuzjprgkwaxe/Form+800%28Bo%29+Application+in+Bosnian.pdf](http://www.dhhs.state.nh.us/NR/rdonlyres/emkvaqkb2iitzpwhu5fuhad4266lkkhjeeitoqd7aukbu2fxy5vbsnloyf_hylkbvincz4kjtvdbyxxuzjprgkwaxe/Form+800%28Bo%29+Application+in+Bosnian.pdf) (Bosnian)

## NEW JERSEY — Division of Family Development

- New Jersey Permanent Statute Database (*searchable – search for “Title 44 Poor”*)  
[http://lis.njleg.state.nj.us/cgi-bin/om\\_isapi.dll?clientID=49283616&Depth=4&TD=WRAP&advquery=%22Title%2044%22%20Poor&headingswithhits=on&infobase=statutes.nfo&rank=&record={11FDF}&softpage=Doc\\_Frame\\_Pg42&wordsaroundhits=2&x=43&y=15&zz](http://lis.njleg.state.nj.us/cgi-bin/om_isapi.dll?clientID=49283616&Depth=4&TD=WRAP&advquery=%22Title%2044%22%20Poor&headingswithhits=on&infobase=statutes.nfo&rank=&record={11FDF}&softpage=Doc_Frame_Pg42&wordsaroundhits=2&x=43&y=15&zz)
- New Jersey Department of Human Services Rule Adoptions  
<http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/Rules/ruleadoptions.html>
- Food Stamp Program Information  
<http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dfd/foodstamp.html>
- Benefit Calculator  
<http://www.njhelps.org/>

- Online Application (English and Spanish), and Printable Applications (English, Spanish, Arabic, Haitian Creole, Korean, Polish, Portuguese, Gujarati)  
<http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dfd/FSapply.html>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dfd/FSP901English.doc> (English)  
<http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dfd/FSP901Spanish.doc> (Spanish)  
<http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dfd/FSP901Arabic.pdf> (Arabic)  
<http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dfd/FSP901Creole.doc> (Creole)  
<http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dfd/FSP901Korean.pdf> (Korean)  
<http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dfd/FSP901Polish.doc> (Polish)  
<http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dfd/FSP901Portuguese.doc> (Portuguese)  
[http://www.oel.state.nj.us/FoodStampTool/Documents/FSP-901%20%20\(Gujarati\).pdf](http://www.oel.state.nj.us/FoodStampTool/Documents/FSP-901%20%20(Gujarati).pdf) (Gujarati)

## **NEW MEXICO — Human Services Department**

- Food Stamp Regulations (*searchable*)  
<http://www.nmcpr.state.nm.us/nmac/ title08/T08C139.htm>
- Food Stamp Policy Manual  
<http://www.hsd.state.nm.us/isd/policies/fs.html>
- Food Stamp Program Information and link to USDA Benefit Calculator  
<http://www.hsd.state.nm.us/isd/fs.html>
- Printable Application for Assistance (in English and Spanish)  
<http://www.hsd.state.nm.us/isd/apply.html>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://www.state.nm.us/hsd/pdf/AppForAssistanceRev013004.pdf> (English)  
[http://www.state.nm.us/hsd/pdf/AppForAssistanceSP\\_Rev013004.pdf](http://www.state.nm.us/hsd/pdf/AppForAssistanceSP_Rev013004.pdf) (Spanish)

## **NEW YORK — Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance**

- Food Stamp Source Book (*not searchable*)  
<http://www.otda.state.ny.us/main/foodstamps/FSSB.pdf>
- Food Stamp Program Information  
<http://www.otda.state.ny.us/main/foodstamps/>
- List of Counties with Online Food Stamp Applications available  
<http://www.otda.state.ny.us/main/foodstamps/map.asp>
- Printable Application (in English, Arabic, Chinese, Haitian/Creole, Korean, Russian, and Spanish)  
<http://www.otda.state.ny.us/main/apps/default.asp#fs>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://www.otda.state.ny.us/main/apps/4826.pdf> (English)  
<http://www.otda.state.ny.us/main/apps/4826-AR.pdf> (Arabic)  
<http://www.otda.state.ny.us/main/apps/4826-CH.pdf> (Chinese)  
<http://www.otda.state.ny.us/main/apps/4826-HA.pdf> (Haitian/Creole)  
<http://www.otda.state.ny.us/main/apps/4826-KO.pdf> (Korean)  
<http://www.otda.state.ny.us/main/apps/4826-RU.pdf> (Russian)  
<http://www.otda.state.ny.us/main/apps/4826-SP.pdf> (Spanish)
- Eligibility Screener (in English and Spanish)  
<http://mybenefits.ny.gov/>

## **NORTH CAROLINA — Department of Health and Human Services**

- Food Stamp Manual (*searchable*)  
<http://info.dhhs.state.nc.us/olm/manuals/dss/ei-30/man/index.htm>

- Food Stamp Program Information, Printable Application, and link to USDA Benefit Calculator (*click “Eligibility Requirements”*)  
<http://www.dhhs.state.nc.us/dss/foodstamp/index.htm>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://info.dhhs.state.nc.us/olm/forms/dss/dss-8207.pdf>

## **NORTH DAKOTA — Department of Human Services**

- Food Stamp Policy Manual (*searchable*)  
<http://www.state.nd.us/robo/projects/foodstamp/foodstamp.htm>
- Food Stamp Program Information  
<http://www.nd.gov/dhs/services/financialhelp/foodstamps.html>
- Benefit Calculator  
<http://www.ndhealth.gov/dhs/foodstampcalculator.asp>
- Printable Application  
<http://www.nd.gov/dhs/info/pubs/application.html>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://www.nd.gov/dhs/info/pubs/docs/sfn-405-application-for-assistance.pdf>

## **OHIO — Department of Job and Family Services**

- Food Stamp State Plan (*searchable*)  
<http://jfs.ohio.gov/ofam/fsStateplan.stm>
- Food Assistance Certification Handbook  
[http://emanuals.odjfs.state.oh.us/emanuals/GetTocDescendants.do?nodeId=%23node-id\(239\)&maxChildrenInLevel=100&version=8.0.0](http://emanuals.odjfs.state.oh.us/emanuals/GetTocDescendants.do?nodeId=%23node-id(239)&maxChildrenInLevel=100&version=8.0.0)
- Food Stamp Program Information  
<http://jfs.ohio.gov/OFam/foodstamps.stm>  
<http://jfs.ohio.gov/factsheets/foodstamps.pdf> (Fact Sheet)
- Printable Application (in English, Spanish, and Somali) (*scroll down to “Department of Job and Family Services Applications” section*), and link to USDA Benefit Calculator  
<http://jfs.ohio.gov/ofam/cmandfsa.stm>

Direct Link to Printable Application

<http://www.odjfs.state.oh.us/forms/file.asp?id=53924> (English)

<http://www.odjfs.state.oh.us/forms/file.asp?id=53929> (Spanish)

<http://www.odjfs.state.oh.us/forms/file.asp?id=53930> (Somali)

## **OKLAHOMA — Family Support Services Division**

- Food Stamp Program Manual (*searchable*)  
<http://www.okdhs.org/library/policy/oac340/050/>
- Food Stamp Program Information, link to USDA Benefit Calculator (under “SNAP Eligibility”)  
<http://www.okdhs.org/programsandservices/food/snap/default.htm>
- Printable Application  
<http://www.okdhs.org/library/forms/fssd/default.htm>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://www.okdhs.org/NR/rdonlyres/EA913428-A7D2-4FE8-8CD9-1628C5B5CFF8/0/08MP001E.pdf>

## **OREGON — Department of Human Services, Adult and Family Services Division**

- Family Services Manual (*searchable*)  
[http://www.dhs.state.or.us/policy/selfsufficiency/em\\_firstpage.htm](http://www.dhs.state.or.us/policy/selfsufficiency/em_firstpage.htm)
- Food Stamp Program Information and Printable Applications  
<http://www.oregon.gov/DHS/assistance/foodstamps/foodstamps.shtml>
- Benefit Calculator  
<https://apps.state.or.us/fsestimate/>
- Direct Links to Printable Applications (in English, Spanish, Russian, and Vietnamese)  
<http://dhsforms.hr.state.or.us/Forms/Served/DE0415F.pdf> (English)  
<http://dhsforms.hr.state.or.us/Forms/Served/DS0415F.pdf> (Spanish)  
<http://dhsforms.hr.state.or.us/Forms/Served/DR0415F.pdf> (Russian)  
<http://dhsforms.hr.state.or.us/Forms/Served/DV0415F.pdf> (Vietnamese)

## **PENNSYLVANIA — Department of Public Welfare**

- Food Stamp Handbook (*searchable*)  
<http://www.dpw.state.pa.us/oimpolicymanuals/manuals/bop/fs/Table%20of%20Contents.htm>
- Food Stamp Program Information and Printable Applications (in English and Spanish)  
<http://www.dpw.state.pa.us/ServicesPrograms/FoodStamps/>
- Online Application and Benefit Calculator (in English and Spanish)  
<https://www.humanservices.state.pa.us/COMPASS/PGM/ASP/SC001.asp>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://www.dpw.state.pa.us/Resources/Documents/Pdf/FillInForms/oimPA600FSO.pdf> (English)  
<http://www.dpw.state.pa.us/Resources/Documents/Pdf/FillInForms/APPL-FOR-BENEFITS-Spanish.pdf> (Spanish)

## **RHODE ISLAND — Department of Human Services**

- Rhode Island Department of Human Services Code of Rules (*searchable*)  
<http://www.ridhscode.org/1000.htm>
- Food Stamp Program Information  
<http://www.dhs.ri.gov/dhs/adults/fsadult.htm>
- Eligibility Screening Tool and link to Printable Applications  
<http://www.ridhseligscreening.org/English/home.cfm##>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://www.ridhseligscreening.org/English/FS.pdf>
- Online Application  
<https://www.foodstamps.ri.gov/admin/login.cfm>

## **SOUTH CAROLINA — Department of Social Services**

- Code of Regulations (*not searchable – Ctrl-F “Article 13” for Food Stamp Program*)  
[http://www.scstatehouse.gov/cgi-bin/query.exe?first=DOC&querytext=article%2013&category=Regs&conid=4728789&result\\_pos=0&keyval=234](http://www.scstatehouse.gov/cgi-bin/query.exe?first=DOC&querytext=article%2013&category=Regs&conid=4728789&result_pos=0&keyval=234)
- Food Stamp Program Information  
<http://dss.sc.gov/content/customers/food/foodstamp/index.aspx>
- Printable Applications  
<http://dss.sc.gov/content/customers/food/foodstamp/faq.aspx#apply>
- Direct Link to Printable Applications  
<http://dss.sc.gov/content/library/forms/files/3800.pdf> (English)  
<http://dss.sc.gov/content/library/forms/files/3800-SPA.pdf> (Spanish)
- Benefit Calculator  
<http://dss.sc.gov/content/customers/food/foodstamp/foodstampcalc.aspx>

## **SOUTH DAKOTA — Department of Social Services**

- Food Stamp Certification Policy Manual (*searchable*)  
<http://dss.sd.gov/foodstamps/FSManual/index.htm>
- Food Stamp Program Information,  
<http://dss.sd.gov/foodstamps/>
- Link to USDA Benefit Calculator  
<http://dss.sd.gov/foodstamps/eligibility/>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://dss.sd.gov/formspubs/docs/FOODSTAMP/EAApplication.pdf>

## **TENNESSEE — Department of Human Services**

- Rules of the Tennessee Department of Human Services (*searchable*)  
<http://www.state.tn.us/sos/rules/1240/1240-01/1240-01.htm>
- Food Stamp Manual (*searchable – click “Bookmarks” on the left*)  
<http://tennessee.gov/humanserv/adfam/fs-man-1.pdf> (Volume I)  
<http://tennessee.gov/humanserv/adfam/fs-man-2.pdf> (Volume II)
- Food Stamp Program Information  
[http://tennessee.gov/humanserv/adfam/afs\\_fsp.html](http://tennessee.gov/humanserv/adfam/afs_fsp.html)
- Application Information  
[http://tennessee.gov/humanserv/adfam/fs\\_5.html](http://tennessee.gov/humanserv/adfam/fs_5.html)
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://tennessee.gov/humanserv/forms/hs-0169.pdf> (English)  
<http://tennessee.gov/humanserv/forms/hs-2775.pdf> (Spanish)
- Online Application and Eligibility Calculator (in English and Spanish)  
<https://fabenefits.dhs.tn.gov/vip/website/signupervlet?pagename=homepage>

## **TEXAS — Health and Human Services Commission**

- Texas Administrative Code (*searchable*)  
[http://info.sos.state.tx.us/pls/pub/readtacSext.ViewTAC?tac\\_view=4&ti=1&pt=15&ch=372](http://info.sos.state.tx.us/pls/pub/readtacSext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=1&pt=15&ch=372)
- Health and Human Services Policy Handbook  
<http://www.dads.state.tx.us/handbooks/TexasWorks/>
- Food Stamp Program Information  
<http://www.hhsc.state.tx.us/Help/Food/FoodStamps/index.html>
- Direct Link to Printable Application for Assistance for TANF, Medicaid, and Food Stamps (in English and Spanish)  
[https://www.yourtexasbenefits.com/wps/themes/html/SSPortal/downloads/H1010\\_April2008English.pdf](https://www.yourtexasbenefits.com/wps/themes/html/SSPortal/downloads/H1010_April2008English.pdf) (English)  
[https://www.yourtexasbenefits.com/wps/themes/html/SSPortal/downloads/H1010\\_April2008Spanish.pdf](https://www.yourtexasbenefits.com/wps/themes/html/SSPortal/downloads/H1010_April2008Spanish.pdf) (Spanish)
- Online Application and Eligibility Screener (in English and Spanish) (only residents of certain counties may apply online)  
<https://www.yourtexasbenefits.com/wps/portal>
- Benefits Calculator  
<http://www.hhsc.state.tx.us/programs/FoodStamps/estimator/index.html>

## **UTAH — Department of Workforce Services**

- Food Stamp Manual  
[http://jobs.utah.gov/Infosource/eligibilitymanual/Eligibility\\_Manual.htm](http://jobs.utah.gov/Infosource/eligibilitymanual/Eligibility_Manual.htm)

- Food Stamp Program Information (Qualifications, Application Procedures, etc.) and link to USDA Eligibility Calculator  
<https://jobs.utah.gov/opencms/customereducation/services/foodstamps/index.html>
- Printable Application (in English and Spanish)  
<https://jobs.utah.gov/opencms/customereducation/services/foodstamps/apply.html>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<https://jobs.utah.gov/opencms/forms/61APP.pdf> (English)  
<https://jobs.utah.gov/opencms/forms/61APP-S.pdf> (Spanish)
- Online Application (in English and Spanish)  
<http://www.utahhelps.utah.gov/>

## **VERMONT — Department of Children and Families Economic Services Division**

- Vermont Statutes (Food Stamp Program)  
<http://www.leg.state.vt.us/statutes/fullsection.cfm?Title=33&Chapter=017&Section=01701>
- Economic Services Division Proposed, Expedited, and Adopted Rules (modifications to manual)  
<http://dcf.vermont.gov/esd/rules>
- Food Stamp Program Information  
<http://dcf.vermont.gov/esd/3SquaresVT>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://www.dcf.vermont.gov/sites/dcf/files/pdf/esd/Form202.pdf>

## **VIRGINIA — Department of Social Services**

- Food Stamp Program Manual (*searchable*)  
<http://dssiad.dss.state.va.us/FoodStampManual/pageview.html>
- Food Stamp Program Information  
<http://www.dss.virginia.gov/benefit/foodstamp.html>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://www.dss.virginia.gov/files/division/bp/fs/forms/032-03-0824-22-eng.pdf> (English)  
<http://www.dss.virginia.gov/files/division/bp/fs/forms/032-03-0824-13-spa.pdf> (Spanish)
- Eligibility Screener  
<http://dssiad.dss.state.va.us/EligibilityScreening/>
- Online Application  
<http://www.dss.virginia.gov/benefit/vnan/index.html>

## **WASHINGTON — Department of Social and Health Services**

- Eligibility A-Z Manual (*searchable*)  
<http://www.dshs.wa.gov/manuals/eaz/>
- Basic Food Program Summary, Online Application, and Printable Application (in Cambodian, Chinese, English, Korean, Laotian, Russian, Somali, Spanish, Tagalog, Tigrigna, Ukrainian, and Vietnamese)  
[https://fortress.wa.gov/dshs/f2ws03esaapps/onlinecso/food\\_assistance\\_program.asp](https://fortress.wa.gov/dshs/f2ws03esaapps/onlinecso/food_assistance_program.asp)
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
[http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/pdf/ms/forms/14\\_001.pdf](http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/pdf/ms/forms/14_001.pdf) (English)  
[http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/pdf/ms/forms/14\\_001ca.pdf](http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/pdf/ms/forms/14_001ca.pdf) (Cambodian)  
[http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/pdf/ms/forms/14\\_001ch.pdf](http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/pdf/ms/forms/14_001ch.pdf) (Chinese)  
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[http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/pdf/ms/forms/14\\_001ko.pdf](http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/pdf/ms/forms/14_001ko.pdf) (Laotian)  
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[http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/pdf/ms/forms/14\\_001sp.pdf](http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/pdf/ms/forms/14_001sp.pdf) (Spanish)  
[http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/pdf/ms/forms/14\\_001ta.pdf](http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/pdf/ms/forms/14_001ta.pdf) (Tagalog)

[http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/pdf/ms/forms/14\\_001ti.pdf](http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/pdf/ms/forms/14_001ti.pdf) (Tigrigna)  
[http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/pdf/ms/forms/14\\_001uk.pdf](http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/pdf/ms/forms/14_001uk.pdf) (Ukrainian)  
[http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/pdf/ms/forms/14\\_001vi.pdf](http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/pdf/ms/forms/14_001vi.pdf) (Vietnamese)

- Eligibility Screening Tool and Benefit Calculator (Once eligibility screening is done, there will be a link to the Benefit Calculator)  
<http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/ESA/TEC/>
- Online Application  
<https://fortress.wa.gov/dshs/f2esaapps/esaosa/>

## **WEST VIRGINIA — Office of Family Support**

- Income Maintenance Manual (*searchable*)  
[http://www.wvdhhr.org/bcf/family\\_assistance/policy.asp](http://www.wvdhhr.org/bcf/family_assistance/policy.asp)
- Food Stamp Program Information  
[http://www.wvdhhr.org/bcf/family\\_assistance/fs.asp](http://www.wvdhhr.org/bcf/family_assistance/fs.asp)
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
[http://www.wvdhhr.org/bcf/policy/imm/IMManualChanges/525/DFA\\_2.pdf](http://www.wvdhhr.org/bcf/policy/imm/IMManualChanges/525/DFA_2.pdf)
- Online Application and Benefit Calculator  
<https://www.wvinroads.org/inroads/PGM/ASP/SC001.asp>

## **WISCONSIN — Department of Health and Family Services**

- Food Stamp Handbook (*searchable*)  
<http://www.emhandbooks.wi.gov/fsh/>
- Food Stamp Program Information  
<http://dhs.wisconsin.gov/foodshare/index.htm>
- Online Applications and Benefit Calculator (in English and Spanish)  
<https://access.wisconsin.gov/access/>
- Brochures, Fact Sheets, Participant Handbooks, and Printable Applications (in English, Hmong, Russian, and Spanish)  
<http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/foodshare/fsforms-pubs.htm>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://dhs.wisconsin.gov/forms/F1/F16019B.pdf> (English)  
<http://dhs.wisconsin.gov/forms/F1/F16019BH.pdf> (Hmong)  
<http://dhs.wisconsin.gov/forms/F1/F16019BR.pdf> (Russian)  
<http://dhs.wisconsin.gov/forms/F1/F16019BS.pdf> (Spanish)

## **WYOMING — Department of Family Services**

- Child Care, Food Stamp, Medical and POWER (TANF) Combined Policy Manual (*searchable*)  
<http://www.thresholdcomputer.net/dfs/training.htm>
- Food Stamp Program Information, link to USDA Benefit Calculator  
<http://dfsweb.state.wy.us/foodstampinfo.html>
- Direct Link to Printable Application  
<http://dfsweb.state.wy.us/SNAP.application.pdf> (English)  
<http://dfsweb.state.wy.us/SNAP.ApSpanish.pdf> (Spanish)