

FoodShare can help you stretch your budget!

A tool for service providers to educate about the FoodShare benefit

What is FoodShare?

FoodShare, also known as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), is a federal program that helps households buy nutritious food. FoodShare benefits are deposited on a QUEST Card (similar to a debit card) once a month to help buy groceries.



You **MAY** qualify if your household's gross monthly income is less than...

	\$2,024
	\$2,744
	\$3,464
	\$4,184

For each additional member add \$720

Income guidelines are valid through September 30, 2019



\$15 buys more food than you may think!

Speaking of FoodShare...

- For most members there is **no asset limit!** (An asset limit does apply to elderly, blind, or disabled persons whose gross income is greater than the limits listed above).
- Many households can get more than \$15/month (the average household receives \$209 per month), but the \$15 minimum benefit for eligible one- or two-person households is still worth it. That is equal to \$180 in one year!

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YEARLY TOTAL
\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$180!

- Benefits carry over from month-to-month up to one year. Think of it like a rainy day fund – if you have an unexpected medical bill or car repair, you can use your saved FoodShare dollars on groceries.
- FoodShare recipients help our community by claiming FoodShare. The U.S. Department of Agriculture estimates that every \$5 spent in FoodShare generates nearly \$9 in local economic activity.

APPLYING FOR FOODSHARE IS EASY!

Call today! FoodShare Specialists can:

- **Educate** FoodShare members about FoodShare benefits, eligibility, and policy changes
- Complete a quick and confidential **screening** to see if individuals may be eligible for FoodShare
- Provide one-on-one assistance to complete and submit **FoodShare applications**
- Assist with **submitting proof** documents
- Provide assistance to individuals navigating the application process
- Assist FoodShare members in **maintaining benefits**, including assistance with Six Month Report Forms and Annual Renewals, reporting changes, reporting a QUEST card lost or stolen, etc.
- Make referrals to other **community resources**
- Assist with navigating the work requirements by:
 - Assisting with submitting proof of income and work hours
 - Referring to employment and training resources to fulfill the requirement
 - Assistance with submitting proof of exemption status

1-877-366-3635 or www.GetAQUESTCard.org

FOODSHARE APPLICATION PROCESS

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1. Complete and submit a FoodShare application. How to apply:
 - In person or over the phone with an outreach specialist at a convenient location; **Call toll-free at 1-877-366-3635 to set up an appointment!**
 - Over the phone with the local agency
 - Online at <https://access.wi.gov>
2. Complete either a telephone or an in-person interview with a caseworker from the local agency. The local agency will contact you for your interview or you can call them to complete the interview.
3. Submit any requested proof to the local agency, such as proof of income, a copy of your identification card, and your medical expenses.
4. If you are approved for FoodShare and have never previously received a QUEST card, you will receive a QUEST card in the mail. The QUEST card can be used to shop where you see the following logos. The card is used just like a debit card.



- You might receive a Six Month Report Form in the mail asking if there are any changes to your household. This must be filled out and mailed to the local agency in order to continue to receive benefits. If you need assistance, contact the FoodShare Helpline.
- FoodShare benefits are renewed once per year. You will get a form in the mail to fill out, and then you will have to complete another quick telephone interview. If you need assistance, contact the FoodShare Helpline.

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