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Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)



While the economy has improved slightly since the Great Recession, there is ample evidence of the need for supplemental food assistance by Indiana residents and their families. In order to improve food security for hungry Hoosiers, Gleaners provides outreach and application assistance for SNAP.

There are many barriers to SNAP enrollment addressed by Gleaners' SNAP Outreach, including:

- **Confusion concerning income guidelines and the application process**
 - People often incorrectly assume that if they work or have any income, they are not eligible.
- **Applicants who are only eligible for the minimum benefit do not think the process is 'worth it'**
 - Gleaners stresses that the minimum monthly benefit amount, \$15, can go a long way for a one or two person household!
- **Applicants are unable to find and/or provide verification documents**
 - Gleaners provides resources to help clients succeed in each stage of the application process.

Gleaners' SNAP Outreach consists of three essential services:

- Education about SNAP policies and benefits
- Pre-screening to determine if clients may be eligible for SNAP benefits
- SNAP application assistance, offered over-the-phone or in-person