### Your Family May Be Eligible for *SNAP*



#### Nutritional Support for Your Family



SNAP Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

A Program of the Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance

### Are You Having Trouble Feeding Your Family? SNAP Can Help You Buy Nutritious Food



#### New York makes it easy to apply for SNAP:

- You can apply online at *myBenefits.ny.gov*
- You can apply by mail, fax, or in person at your local Department of Social Services or New York City Human Resource Administration Center – *call 800-342-3009* for the office nearest you
- Your application interview can be done by phone
- You do not have to take time off from work to apply for SNAP benefits
- You may be eligible even if you own a house and/or a car, have money in the bank, or live with others



#### Four Common SNAP Myths

*Myth:* "You cannot get SNAP benefits if you have a job."

*Truth:* You may work and still qualify for SNAP benefits.

Myth: "SNAP is a welfare program."

*Truth:* Most SNAP recipients are seniors, children, or working people. SNAP is a nutrition program that helps people buy healthy food when money is tight.

*Myth:* "Other people need SNAP benefits more than I do."

*Truth:* By receiving SNAP benefits, you are not taking benefits away from another person. Everyone who applies and is determined to be eligible will get SNAP benefits.

*Myth:* "Getting SNAP benefits will hurt my chances of becoming a naturalized U.S. citizen."

*Truth:* No! SNAP benefits do not affect your citizenship application or U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) decisions on your immigration status.

### myBenefits.ny.gov "it's easier"



### *myBenefits.ny.gov* provides information on:

- SNAP
- Temporary Assistance
- Special Tax Credits
- Home Energy Assistance
- Weatherization Assistance
- Various Health Insurance Programs and
- Many other programs

#### SNAP provides free nutrition classes through Eat Smart New York.

#### Visit otda.ny.gov/programs/nutrition

to learn how you can:

- Buy more nutritious food with less money
- Prepare quick, easy, and healthy meals
- Cook and prepare food safely
- Exercise more and have fun!



## New York State makes it easier for you to get SNAP Benefits.

The only way to know if you qualify is to apply.

#### Check your eligibility for a range of benefits and apply for SNAP at **myBenefits.ny.gov**

# For More Information 800-342-3009

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