ATTENTION: SNAP APPLICANTS & RECIPIENTS

Applying for or receiving SNAP benefits does not make you a public charge and will not be considered in a public charge determination.

Applying for or receiving SNAP will not affect your ability to:

- Remain in the U.S.,
- Get a Green Card/Lawful Permanent Resident Status,
- Keep a Green Card/Lawful Permanent Resident Status, or
- Become a U.S. citizen.

You can also apply for SNAP on behalf of the eligible immigrants or U.S. citizens in your family, even if you do not want to apply for benefits for yourself, without affecting your or their immigration status.

For example, if a parent is not eligible for SNAP because of their immigration status, they can still apply for their eligible children. The SNAP office is not allowed to ask for immigration documents for people who are not applying to receive benefits themselves.

If you need food help, and you or members of your household qualify, please apply for SNAP for yourself or your family. Do it for your family’s good!

For more information relating to general immigration information in English or in Spanish, please call U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) at 1-800-375-5283. For general information about SNAP, please visit: otda.ny.gov/snap.