

The recently enacted federal budget reconciliation law includes devastating and unprecedented cuts to our nation's core nutrition assistance program, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), which will reduce food assistance for millions of people, including children, raise grocery costs, and generate harm to our economy. The \$187 billion cut to SNAP over the next decade (according to the Congressional Budget Office) is the largest cut to SNAP ever enacted and will result in more poverty and hunger. We are writing to urge you to support new legislation to undo these devastating cuts.

SNAP is a critical lifeline that helps people throughout our community afford groceries while supporting local businesses and jobs throughout the food supply chain. The harm coming to families in our communities and nationwide cannot be overstated. Nationally, roughly 4 million people, including children, seniors, veterans, and individuals with disabilities, will see their food assistance taken away or cut substantially.

We are particularly concerned about the huge cost-shift to states in this law, now requiring them to pay a share of SNAP benefit costs for the first time in the program's history. States are not in a position to absorb these cost-shifts. They could be forced to find ways to dramatically cut the number of eligible low-income families receiving food assistance or find other ways to cut spending or raise revenues to make up this costly unfunded mandate. Under the law, if states can't fully pay the amount owed, they could be forced to drop out of SNAP entirely, terminating SNAP for everyone eligible in the state. Additionally, if a child loses access to SNAP because of these decisions, they will also lose their current seamless access to free school meals. These cuts simply cannot stand and must be addressed.

We urge you to cosponsor the **Restoring Food Security for American Families and Farmers Act of 2025** that will be introduced by Senator Lujan (D-NM) and Senate Agriculture Committee Ranking Member Klobuchar (D-MN) and Representative Hayes (D-CT) and House Agriculture Committee Ranking Member Craig (D-MN). [The bill](#) would repeal all of the SNAP cuts enacted in the budget reconciliation law. Your support will be instrumental in helping undo the cuts when the opportunity arises.

Repealing the SNAP cuts is one of the most important things we can do to protect families and others who are struggling to make ends meet and put food on the table every day. Too many in communities across the country are facing rising food and housing costs — these SNAP cuts will only make it more difficult to make ends meet.

We hope you will stand up for families and people struggling against hunger by cosponsoring this important legislation. We thank you for your attention to this matter.