## SNAP-Ed Makes America Healthier



SNAP-Ed, the national Nutrition Education and Obesity Prevention Grant Program, empowers Americans across the lifespan in all 50 states, DC and Guam to spend wisely, eat healthy, and be physically active to prevent diet-related chronic disease. The program supports community partners to make healthy choices easy and accessible in low resource locations and directly aligns with the national agenda for health. The House budget repeals the national SNAP-Ed program in Section 10011, eliminating a program proven to help American families and communities stretch food dollars and make healthy choices.

## **SNAP-Ed Delivers Results**

### **National Reach**

through nutrition education classes **Over 2 million** 

**Americans** 

23,300+

**Program Sites** 

33%

**Rural Sites** 



improvement in fruit intake



improvement in shopping behaviors



34%

improvement in vegetable intake



improvement in physical activity The class has **changed the way I look** at food and shop. It is very helpful to understand the back of package labels, especially as a diabetic. Also, the vision of MyPlate to understand portion is very beneficial.

SNAP-Ed Participant, Northeast

# **SNAP-Ed Builds Healthy Communities**

#### **National Reach**

through community collaborations

#### Over 10 million

**Americans** 

11,700+

**Community Partners** 

SNAP-Ed works with partners to make lasting organizational changes so healthy choices are easier. Most often, these are school/early childhood, agriculture, healthcare, recreation, and food pantry partners.

Access to fresh, locally-grown produce impacts our community in many ways. It allows our community to interact with local producers... They learn about how to grow and prepare healthy food. Local farmers are connected to a new market, and we contribute by increasing access to healthy foods.



#### **Top Partner Collaborations**



Promoting locally farmed foods to increase food security

Making gardens and physical activity facilities more accessible

Placing community signage to prompt healthy choices

Conducting workforce training to extend healthy changes

Food Policy Council Partner, Southeast

# **SNAP-Ed Yields Returns on Investment**

A recent state-level study showed for every \$1 spent, SNAP-Ed returns at least \$5.36 in future health and economic benefits from:

- health care savings
- educational attainment
- lifetime earnings
- life expectancy

"I have made a concerted effort to eat healthy whole foods from MyPlate...as well as looking for ways to be more active. Due to this, I have **lost 10 pounds** since this class started and it's all because of the information that you give us."

SNAP-Ed Participant, Midwest

"I just had my A1C checked. It was 9.9 and my blood sugars were running 300-500. I was put on insulin shots. While taking this class, I have been walking more, watching nutrition labels, and cooking healthier. My blood sugars are now under 200, down to 105 most of the time."

SNAP-Ed Participant, Mountain Plains

## **SNAP-Ed Extends Reach, Reduces Duplication**

SNAP-Ed strategically aligns with federal programs and local partners to **maximize reach**, **expand services** and **eliminate duplication**. In rural and urban communities, SNAP-Ed collaborates with partners to reach Americans where they live, learn, eat, shop, work, and play. SNAP-Ed also employs **social marketing campaigns** to encourage healthy eating and active living through behavior-changing messages.

#### **National Reach**

Over 1.8 billion

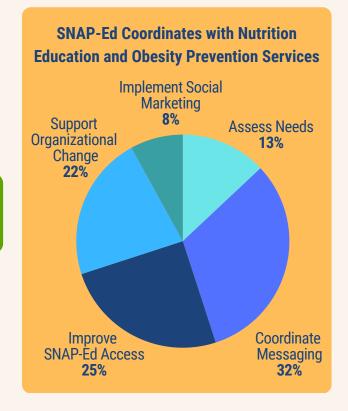
through social marketing

**Impressions** 



The work you do to connect growers with these state and federal offices is integral to the sustainability of these food access programs. Without someone like you encouraging these collaborations to happen, local foods' reach would be minimal.

Farmers Market Manager Partner, Western



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## **SNAP-Ed Measures Impact**

In FY2023, SNAP-Ed launched a new electronic national reporting system (NPEARS) in response to a 2019 GAO report of USDA's nutrition education programs. The new system compiles national data for improved data consistency, accountability, and measurement. This allows the program to capture impacts from the SNAP-Ed Evaluation Framework (est. 2017). SNAP-Ed is positioned as an evaluation leader among USDA nutrition education programs, with bolstered capacity to quantify and communicate its effectiveness and outcomes across the country.



This report includes data summarized from SNAP-Ed state and implementing agencies contributing FY2024 data to ASNNA as of May 2025 (representatives from 45 states, DC and Guam). For more information, contact ASNNA at info@asnna.us.org or visit asnna.us.org