

Maryland is the first state to offer *Summer SNAP for Children!*

Why is Summer SNAP for Children Needed?

- When schools close during the summer months and winter break, free school meals often disappear and many low-income families **struggle to put food on the table** due to higher grocery bills and additional childcare costs.
- The federal **summer meals program** aims to address this need, but transportation barriers make it hard for many kids to participate and therefore, the program only reaches about 22% of the children who may need it.

How Does Summer SNAP for Children Work?

- Children in families with SNAP can benefit from \$30/child each summer month and \$10/child during the winter school break = **\$100 per child, per year**.
- Benefits begin on July 1, 2020 and will be added to the household's EBT cards 15 days after the federally funded SNAP benefits are issued in the months of June, July, and August and 7 days after the December SNAP benefit is issued.

Who Can Participate in Summer SNAP for Children?

- Counties apply to participate between October 1 and December 1, 2019 to receive a portion of the \$200,000 available in state funding. It is unlikely that all eligible children in a county will be able to receive the supplemental benefit; therefore, counties will determine the specific children who will receive the supplement.
 - A **county-match** is required at the same ratio as the school construction funding formula. (See next page for additional details.)
 - Some examples of **how to choose children for inclusion** in the program include those living: in a rural zip code, in areas that lack summer meal sites, in the school attendance area of a high-poverty school and/or a schools with CEP, or in families with the lowest assets (a strategy to reduce racial wealth gap).
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Matching Funding Requirement for Summer SNAP for Children (FY 2020)

County	State Share	County	State Share
Allegany	85%	Harford	60%
Anne Arundel	50%	Howard	54%
Baltimore City	91%	Kent	50%
Baltimore	56%	Montgomery	50%
Calvert	53%	Prince George's	70%
Caroline	81%	Queen Anne's	51%
Carroll	55%	St. Mary's	57%
Cecil	66%	Somerset	96%
Charles	61%	Talbot	50%
Dorchester	75%	Washington	71%
Frederick	60%	Wicomico	95%
Garrett	50%	Worcester	50%

Example: In Baltimore City, the match is 91% state / 9% City. If DHS determines that the City will receive \$100,000 in state funding for supplements, then the City must match that amount with a *minimum* of an additional \$9,890. Thus, the total funding for the program (\$109,890) is split 91%/9% between state and City.

Here is how to do the calculations for Baltimore City:

$$\begin{aligned}
 91/9 &= \$100,000/x \\
 91x &= \$900,000 \\
 x &= \$9,890
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Here is the formula:

$\frac{\text{State Share \%}}{\text{County Share \%}}$	=	$\frac{\$ \text{ Amount of State Funding}}{x \text{ Amount of County Match}}$
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