**What is FoodShare?**

- FoodShare is the name of the Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP) in Wisconsin.
- This federally funded program enables hundreds of thousands of low-income adults, children, and seniors throughout the state with funds to purchase groceries.
- FoodShare is the state’s leading anti-hunger program.

**Who Uses FoodShare in Wisconsin?**

- 42% of recipients are children.
- 48% of families have at least one member who is elderly, blind or has disabilities.
- 40% of adult recipients are employed.

**FoodShare Benefits Distributed and Redeemed in Wisconsin**

- **Average Monthly Benefit Amount per Person: 2019**
  - **$93.21**
  - $105.76 in Wisconsin
  - $129.96 or U.S. SNAP**

- **Average Monthly Benefits Distributed throughout Barron County, 2019**
  - **$457,296**

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** Based on the average benefit amount per person in Fiscal Year 2019.
*** Cumulative percentages reported. Source: Department of Agriculture report, "Benefit Redemption Patterns in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program". April 2011.
Median Individual Earnings
$30,534
48th out of 72 counties

Unemployment
15.8%
9.7% above the U.S. rate of 14.4%

Wisconsin Poverty by County

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Barron County: 12.0%

Barron County Poverty

- Barron has a moderate level of poverty (12.0%), ranking it 43rd out of 72 counties.
- Barron has a moderate level of child poverty (16.9%), ranking it 47th out of 72 counties.
- Barron has a high level of senior poverty (8.4%), ranking it 50th out of 72 counties.

Child and Senior Poverty

Economic Impact

For every $1 in FoodShare benefits, an additional $1.70 is used in the local economy.

Sources:
United States Census, 2013-2018 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates
United States Department of Agriculture: Food and Nutrition Service
United States Department of Labor: Employment & Training Institution
Wisconsin Department of Administration
Wisconsin Department of Health Services
Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development

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