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FOODSHARE OVERVIEW

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April 2020

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

$97.94

$105.76 in Wisconsin
$129.96 for U.S. SNAP**

Average Monthly Benefits Distributed throughout Douglas County, 2019

$462,186

** Based on the average benefit amount per person in Fiscal Year 2019.
Median Individual Earnings

$31,645
39th out of 72 counties

Unemployment

23.3%
61.8% above the U.S. rate of 14.4%

Latest data available from April 2020.

Economic Impact

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

Wisconsin Poverty by County

Percentage of Poverty

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Douglas County: 12.5%

Douglas County Poverty

Douglas has a moderate level of poverty (12.5%), ranking it 46th out of 72 counties.

Douglas has a moderate level of child poverty (14.7%), ranking it 35th out of 72 counties.

Douglas has a high level of senior poverty (8.5%), ranking it 51st out of 72 counties.

Child and Senior Poverty

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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