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

** 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.
Wisconsin Poverty by County

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Iowa County Poverty

- Iowa has a low level of poverty (7.7%), ranking it 8th out of 72 counties.
- Iowa has a low level of child poverty (7.3%), ranking it 5th out of 72 counties.
- Iowa has a low level of senior poverty (6.9%), ranking it 21st out of 72 counties.

FOODSHARE OVERVIEW

Iowa County

Median Individual Earnings

$35,925

9th out of 72 counties

Unemployment

17.7%

22.9% 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.

SNAP dollar + Grocer = Economic Growth

Child and Senior Poverty

Contact Hunger Task Force at 414-777-0483 or visit HungerTaskForce.org for more information.

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