

Michigan Food and Nutrition Security State Profile

Purpose

The purpose of the Food and Nutrition Security Profile (Profile) is to provide an overview of state and regional efforts and infrastructure to advance food and nutrition security. Although not exhaustive, the Profile serves as a resource to support greater collaboration across disciplines and sectors to improve equitable access to food. The intended audience includes public health practitioners, food policy councils, community-based organizations, food banks and pantries, school district wellness councils, food sovereignty organizations including Indigenous groups and coalitions, and others with a mission to improve food and nutrition security.

The Profile is a companion to the [National Food and Nutrition Security Profile](#) and will be reviewed and updated biennially. If you have any questions or comments about your Profile, please contact the Center for Advancing Healthy Communities at CAHCinfo@chronicdisease.org.

Food Banks, Pantries, and Feeding Programs

The following food banks are members of Feeding America's [network](#).

- [Feeding America West Michigan](#)
 - View the [programs offered](#).
 - View the [counties served](#).
 - View the [partner agencies](#).

- [Food Bank of Eastern Michigan](#)
 - View the [programs offered](#).
 - View the [counties served](#).
 - View the [partner agencies](#)

- [Food Gatherers](#)
 - View the [programs offered](#).
 - Serves Washtenaw County.
 - View the [partner agencies](#).

- [Forgotten Harvest](#)
 - View the [programs offered](#).
 - View the [counties served](#).
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- [Gleaners Community Food Bank of Southeastern Michigan](#)
 - View the [programs offered](#).
 - View the [counties served](#).
 - View the [partner agencies](#).

- [Greater Lansing Food Bank](#)
 - View the [programs offered](#).
 - View the [counties served](#).
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- [South Michigan Food Bank](#)
 - View the [programs offered](#)
 - View the [counties served](#).
 - View the [partner agencies](#).

Select Food and Nutrition Security Programs

Food Is Medicine Programs

- Find the [Double Up Food Bucks](#) program in your state.
- Locate the [Gus Schumacher Nutrition Incentive Program \(GusNIP\)](#) grantees in your state:
 - *Current Produce Prescription Funding:*
 - [County of Oakland](#) (2022-2025)
 - *Current Nutrition Incentive Funding:*
 - [Fair Food Network](#) (2018-2024 and 2023-2025)
 - [Michigan Physical Fitness, Health and Sports Foundation, Inc.](#) (2020-2024 and 2021-2025)

Community Nutrition Education Programs

- [Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program \(EFNEP\)](#)
 - The implementation agency is Michigan State University.

- [Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Education \(SNAP-Ed\)](#)
 - The Michigan Department of Human Services is the state agency responsible for SNAP-Ed. The SNAP-Ed implementing organizations are Michigan Fitness Foundations and the Michigan State University Extension.

- [Supplemental Nutrition Assistant Program \(SNAP\)](#)
 - [Michigan SNAP Directory](#)

Senior Nutrition Programs

- [Elderly Nutrition Program](#) led by the Michigan Department of Health & Human Services.
- [Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program](#) led by the Michigan Department of Health & Human Services.

Child Nutrition Programs

[United State Department of Agriculture \(USDA\) Child Nutrition Programs](#) contacts for implementing agencies of programs are listed below:

- Child and Adult Care Food Program
- Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program
- National School Lunch Program (Universal School Lunch Program)
- School Breakfast Program (Universal School Breakfast Program)
- Special Milk Program
- Summer Food Service Program (SUN Meals)
- The Patrick Leahy Farm to School Program

- USDA Foods in Schools

Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations

[Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservation](#) program provides USDA Foods to income-eligible households living on Indian reservations and to Native American households residing in designated areas near reservations. [State program contacts](#)

Emergency Food Response

- USDA Food and Nutrition Service [State COVID-19 Waivers and Flexibilities](#)
- [Emergency Preparedness Plan](#)
- [Federal Emergency Management Agency Regional Contact](#) – Region 5
- [Emergency Food Assistance Program \(TEFAP\) Contacts](#)

Food (Policy) Coalitions and Councils

- View a [list of food policy councils](#) in each state through the John Hopkins Center for Livable Future's 2021 Food Policy Network Map.
- [Michigan Local Food Council Network](#)
- [Michigan Local Food Councils Map](#)

Other Key Food and Nutrition Security Organizations

- [Focus: HOPE](#) pledges practical action to overcome racism, poverty, and injustice.
- [Groundwork Center for Resilient Communities](#) aims to support food access and farming initiatives with funding, project planning, and staff consultation for hyper-local community solutions.
- [Michigan Good Food Charter](#) is a roadmap for a food system that is rooted in local communities and centered on good food.
- [Michigan Farm to Institution Network](#) is a space for learning, sharing, and working together to get more local food to institutions; coordinated by the [Michigan State University Center for Regional Food Systems](#).
- [Michigan Farmers Market Association](#) a statewide association to promote local food consumption in Michigan by connecting more farmers to consumers through farmers markets.
- [Michigan League for Public Policy](#) promotes racial equity, economic security, health, and well-being for all people in Michigan through policy change.
- [National Farm to School Network - Michigan](#) increases access to local food and nutrition education to improve children's health, strengthen family farms, and cultivate vibrant communities.
- [The Food Security Group at Michigan State University](#) believes that good food and nutrition policy, informed by solid empirical evidence that is generated jointly with local partners, can transform economies and lives in low-income countries.
- [USDA Local Food Directories](#)

Data Sources and Resources

- [Michigan Profile of Hunger, Poverty and Federal Nutrition Programs](#) – Food Research and Action Center
- [Emergency Action Plans for Retail Food Establishment](#) – Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development
- [Food Security in the U.S.](#) – USDA
- [Child Nutrition Programs Dashboard](#) – USDA
- [Food Environment Atlas](#) – USDA
- [Map the Meal Gap](#) – Feeding America

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