

THE FACTS ABOUT FOODSHARE WISCONSIN FOR SENIOR CITIZENS AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

- ✓ FoodShare Wisconsin is a nutrition assistance program. It helps people with low income buy healthy foods.
- ✓ Everyone has the right to apply for FoodShare and anyone who meets the program rules will get benefits.
- ✓ Interviews can be done over the telephone if you are a senior or have a disability.
- ✓ The amount of FoodShare benefits you get is based on your income.
- ✓ FoodShare benefits come on a plastic debit card you use like a credit card.
- ✓ You can own a home or have a vehicle and still get FoodShare benefits.
- ✓ Medical expenses over \$35 can be deducted from your gross income.
- ✓ If you get FoodShare benefits, you will not lose any health care benefits or meals-on-wheels. In fact, you may use your FoodShare benefits to pay for your meals.
- ✓ When you are getting FoodShare benefits, you only have to reapply once every 12 months.
- ✓ If you are age 60 or older or have a disability, you do not have to look for a job or register for work to get FoodShare benefits.
- ✓ Any benefits not used in a month will remain in your account. You have up to 12 months to use these benefits.

How to Apply

Apply online at access.wisconsin.gov or with your local FoodShare office.

Contact Recipient Services at 1-800-362-3002 to find your FoodShare office's address or telephone number.

If you apply online, you will still need to do an interview. Interviews can be done by telephone, if you are a senior citizen or have a disability.

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For civil rights questions call (608) 266-9372 (voice) or 1-888-701-1251 (TTY), or you may file a complaint at the federal level if you have been discriminated against on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion, political beliefs or disability.

To file a complaint of discrimination, write USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410 or call (800) 795-3272 (voice) or (202) 720-6382 (TTY).

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