

# **SNAP application assistance available through New Bedford's Dept. of Community Services**

New Bedford, Massachusetts— The City of New Bedford's Department of Community Services has partnered with the Department of Transitional Assistance and UMass Medical School to help adult residents in the Greater New Bedford area apply for SNAP, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (formerly known as food stamps) which gives individuals and families money to buy food at grocery stores, convenience stores, and certain farmers markets.

Most households with low or no income are eligible for SNAP, and workers who lost their jobs or work hours due to COVID-19 can apply for SNAP at any time.

Because of COVID-19, you cannot currently apply in person at DTA, but you may apply online at [DTAConnect.com](https://DTAConnect.com). If you do not have access to a computer or need assistance in applying online, you can call the Department of Community Services at 508-961-3020 to schedule a phone appointment with a SNAP outreach worker. Assistance is available in English, Spanish, and Portuguese.