

The National Grocers Association (NGA) represents 21,000 independent community grocers and wholesalers across the United States. Independent community grocers account for 33 percent of all grocery sales, exceeding \$250 billion, and more than 1 million American jobs.

Expand Access to SNAP in Grocery Stores

- ✦ **Maintain SNAP Choice** allowing consumers to make their own food decisions.
- ✦ **Expand online SNAP** and provide technical assistance for retailers to participate.
- ✦ **Create incentives for grocers to expand into rural communities.**
- ✦ **Oppose major program changes** like block granting or a government-run food distribution service.
- ✦ **Expand SNAP access for Puerto Rico** by shifting away from a block grant.

Bolster Healthy Foods Purchased with Snap in Grocery Stores

- ✦ **Expand nutrition incentives** by streamlining access at grocery stores through EBT cards.
- ✦ **Provide mandatory funding for the Healthy Food Financing Initiative.**
- ✦ **Modernize SNAP-Ed** to reach more SNAP participants where they are.

Protect Retailers from Burdensome Fees and Regulations

- ✦ **Oppose taxing grocers for participating in SNAP** by allowing processing, or others EBT fees.
- ✦ **Innovate payment modalities** to ensure the program is keeping up with payment technologies.
- ✦ **Protect the equal treatment of all SNAP participants.**
- ✦ **Protect the definition of authorized SNAP retailer.**
- ✦ **Oppose SNAP data reporting requirements** to protect retailer privacy.

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