

**Economic Services Administration  
060 - M2 - FB - SNAP FEDERAL FUNDING**

**Agency Submittal: 11-2017-19-YR Agency Req**

**Budget Period: 2017-19**

**SUMMARY**

In order to continue to provide Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) applicants and recipients with technical program assistance, job training and employment opportunities, as well as nutrition education and physical activity opportunities, the Economic Services Administration (ESA) requests \$15,072,000 federal spending authority in the 2017-19 Biennium to utilize the funds awarded in excess of the current federal authority appropriation to Washington State by the United States Food and Nutrition Services (FNS). These funds would provide support to the Basic Food Employment and Training (BFET) program, the SNAP Nutrition Education and Obesity Prevention (SNAP Ed) program and the SNAP Outreach program.

**PROBLEM STATEMENT**

Without spending authority for these additional federal funds, ESA risks discontinuing the SNAP Ed, Basic Food Outreach, and BFET programs for thousands of Washington residents. This could potentially influence employment rates, obesity rates, and SNAP participation rates for the state as a whole.

The statewide reach for these programs is extensive. If funding stopped, then:

- BFET would end for nearly 12,000 SNAP recipients;
- SNAP Ed would end for around 143,350 recipients; and
- Basic Food Outreach would no longer assist 6,800 residents in applying for SNAP and 6,807 SNAP recipients in renewing their SNAP benefits (based on Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2015 reports).

**PROPOSED SOLUTION**

ESA requests authority for the agency to spend these additional program federal funds. As a result, the continuous improvement taking place around employment and training, nutrition education and obesity prevention, and Basic Food Outreach can grow and reach more Washington residents.



**DSHS VISION**

People are healthy • People are safe • People are supported • Taxpayer resources are guarded

**DSHS MISSION**

To transform lives

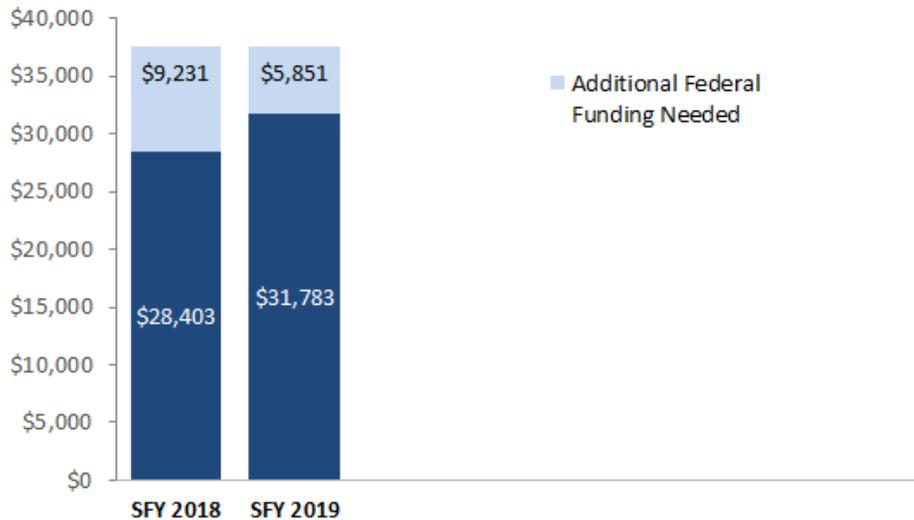
**DSHS VALUES**

Honesty and Integrity • Pursuit of Excellence • Open Communication • Diversity and Inclusion • Commitment to Service

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**Biennium 17-19 Projected SNAP Federal Authority**

Dollars in thousands



SOURCE: BI 17-19 Carry-forward & FFY16 & 17 Food Nutrition Grant, July 2016.

**EXPECTED RESULTS**

If this proposal is approved, then the expected results for each program are as follows:

- BFET would continue to impact a growing Washington State workforce and assist in the effort to lower unemployment rates;
- SNAP Ed would continue to provide programming that assists in decreasing the rates of obesity in low income Washington residents, and
- Basic Food Outreach would continue to aid in higher SNAP participation rates by providing crucial help across the state in applying and renewing benefits

**STAKEHOLDER IMPACT**

This proposal receives support from the following organizations:

- Washington State Board of Community and Technical Colleges (WSBCTC)
- Community Based Organizations (CBOs) participating in BFET and Basic Food Outreach (extensive list available upon request)
- Washington State University Extension
- University of Washington Nutritional Sciences Program
- Washington State Department of Health

There is no known opposition for this proposal.

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OTHER CONNECTIONS

Performance Outcomes/Important Connections

**1. Does this DP provide essential support to one or more of the Governor's Results Washington priorities?**

Goal 4: Healthy & Safe Communities - Healthy People - Provide access to good medical care to improve people's lives.

Goal 5: Effective, Efficient and Accountable Government – Fostering a Lean culture that drives accountability and results for the people of Washington.

**2. The decision package meets the following DSHS' strategic objectives:**

1.1: People below 125 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) will have greater access to Basic Food assistance.

5.1: The percentage of Community Service Division (CSD) clients receiving timely service will increase.

**3. Identify other important connections or impacts below.** (Indicate 'Yes' or 'No'. If 'Yes' identify the connections or impacts related to the proposal.)

a) Regional/County impacts? Yes.

BFET is represented in 28 of 39 Washington State counties (future expansion opportunities include Adams, Columbia, Douglas, Garfield, Jefferson, Kittitas, Klickitat, Okanogan, San Juan, Skamania and Whitman).

SNAP Ed programming is represented in all 39 Washington State counties.

Basic Food Outreach program contracts with Community Based Organizations (CBOs) statewide with a presence in all counties.

b) Other local government impacts? Yes.

BFET provides match funding to support employment and training programs through King and Pierce county local government.

SNAP Outreach provides match funding to support education and assistance opportunities, such as application submittals, information events, focus groups, and Public Service Announcements throughout the state.

SNAP Ed provides federal funding to create and/or enhance opportunities for low income, SNAP Eligible Washington residents to increase their knowledge and consumption of low fat, healthy foods as well as to increase their rates of daily physical activity.

c) Tribal government impacts? Yes.

BFET provides federal funding to support training through Northwest Indian College (College). In addition to its main campus, located on the Lummi Reservation, the College has six full service extended campus sites located at Muckleshoot, Nez Perce, Nisqually, Port Gamble S'Klallam, Swinomish, and Tulalip. It is the only accredited tribal college serving the tri-state area (Washington, Oregon, and Idaho).

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SNAP Ed provides nutrition education and physical activity messaging to the Tulalip, Spokane, and Whatcom Lummi tribes.

Basic Food Outreach contractors provide education and assistance for SNAP/FAP benefits to tribal members across the state.

d) Other state agency impacts? Yes.

BFET has a partnership with the Employment Services Division (ESD) to offer BFET through 10 WorkSource sites: Columbia Basin, Colville, Omak, Skagit, Spokane, Vancouver, Walla Walla, Whatcom, Whidbey, and Yakima.

SNAP Ed funds nutritional education and physical wellness activities throughout the state via county Health jurisdictions as well as with Washington State University Extension statewide.

e) Responds to specific task force, report, mandate or executive order? No.

f) Does request contain a compensation change or require changes to a Collective Bargaining Agreement? No.

g) Facility/workplace needs or impacts? No.

h) Capital budget impacts? No.

i) Is change required to existing statutes, rules or contracts? No.

j) Is the request related to litigation? No.

k) Is the request related to Puget Sound recovery? No.

l) Other important connections? Yes.

**4. Please provide a detailed discussion of connections/impacts identified above.**

BFET is offered in nearly every county across the state through community based organizations and is available through every community or technical college in Washington State.

SNAP Ed –This request will enable ESA to provide nutrition education and obesity prevention services to low-income families.

ESA does not expect stakeholders to have any concerns.

**Alternatives/Consequences/Other**

**5. What alternatives were explored by the agency, and why was this alternative chosen?**

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There are no alternative options to explore in order to enable ESA to spend these federal SNAP funds.

**6. How has or can the agency address the issue or need within its current appropriation level?**

The request cannot be absorbed within existing resources for the following reasons: ESA cannot spend all available federal SNAP funds because ESA's federal expenditure authority is too low.

**7. Does this decision package include funding for any IT-related costs (hardware, software, services, cloud-based services, contracts or IT staff)?**

**No**

**Yes (Include an IT Addendum)**

**Fiscal Detail****060 - M2 - FB - SNAP Federal Funding**

<b>Operating Expenditures</b>	<b><u>FY 2018</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2019</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2020</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2021</u></b>
001-2 General Fund-Federal	9,226,000	5,846,000	5,846,000	5,846,000
<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>9,226,000</b>	<b>5,846,000</b>	<b>5,846,000</b>	<b>5,846,000</b>

<b>Staffing</b>	<b><u>FY 2018</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2019</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2020</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2021</u></b>
FTEs	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

**Performance Measure Detail**

<b>Activity:</b>	<b>Incremental Changes</b>			
	<b><u>FY 2018</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2019</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2020</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2021</u></b>
<b>Program: 060</b>				
F038 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)	0	0	0	0
No measures submitted for package				

**Object Detail**

	<b><u>FY 2018</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2019</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2020</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2021</u></b>
E Goods and Other Services	277,000	175,000	175,000	175,000
N Grants, Benefits, and Client Services	8,949,000	5,671,000	5,671,000	5,671,000
<b>Total Objects</b>	<b>9,226,000</b>	<b>5,846,000</b>	<b>5,846,000</b>	<b>5,846,000</b>

**DSHS Source Detail****Overall Funding**

<b>Operating Expenditures</b>	<b><u>FY 2018</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2019</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2020</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2021</u></b>
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**Fund 001-2, General Fund-Federal****Sources Title**

E61B Food Stamp Program (100%)	6,671,000	2,673,000	2,673,000	2,673,000
E61L Food Stamp Program (50%)	2,555,000	3,173,000	3,173,000	3,173,000
<b>Total for Fund 001-2</b>	<b>9,226,000</b>	<b>5,846,000</b>	<b>5,846,000</b>	<b>5,846,000</b>
<b>Total Overall Funding</b>	<b>9,226,000</b>	<b>5,846,000</b>	<b>5,846,000</b>	<b>5,846,000</b>