# Your Path to Government Benefits

Benefits.gov gives you access to over 1,000 Federal and state benefit and assistance programs – find the ones that are right for you!



## **Your Family**

Use Benefits.gov to explore assistance programs that can help you with everything from the cost of childcare to buying groceries.



#### Your Home

Benefits.gov connects you to programs that include mortgage assistance, home repairs following a disaster, and equal opportunity housing initiatives.



### Your Health

Turn to Benefits.gov for health-related programs, such as disability assistance, preventative care and treatment for specific conditions.



### Your Job

Benefits.gov connects you to employment assistance, training programs, loans and scholarships that can help you along the path to success.



# Can I get free money at Benefits.gov?

Benefits.gov does not provide free money or personal financial assistance. You must meet specific eligibility requirements to qualify for any of the benefit and assistance programs featured on Benefits.gov.

# Can I apply online for benefit and assistance programs?

Some agencies offer an online application process and some do not. On Benefits.gov, each program's benefit information page includes next steps and the contact information you will need to begin your application process.

# Will Benefits.gov keep my information on the site?

Benefits.gov does not ask for or collect any personally identifiable information. Your Benefit Results List is not saved on the site; you may e-mail your results to yourself for future reference.



## www.Benefits.gov

As the official benefits website of the U.S. government, Benefits.gov is committed to increasing citizen access to government assistance.











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Learn how to use Benefits.gov to find the government benefits you're looking for – or even a program you didn't know existed! Use any of these tools to start your search:



For the most personalized results, click **Start Now** on the homepage to use the Benefit Finder – our confidential prescreening tool. After answering a few simple questions about your current situation, you will be able to instantly view your **Benefits Results List** - a list of benefits, arranged by category, that you may be eligible to receive.



At any time, you can go back to answer more questions, increasing the likelihood of your eligibility for the programs in your Benefits Results List. The number of benefits in your results list may change as you answer more questions.



### **Your Favorites**

You can add benefits from your Benefit Results List to **Your Favorites** to create an even more personalized list of results. Simply click the **Add to Your Favorites** button under each benefit.

# Four Other Ways to Search





# Category

View benefits by general categories, such as "Housing," "Healthcare," "Veterans," "Career Development Assistance" and more.



#### State

View benefits offered in the state of your interest.



# **Federal Agency**

View benefits offered by each Federal agency.



### Search field

Enter a keyword or phrase of your choice in the Search box – located on every page – to search the entire website.

# **Stay Connected**



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# **Subscribe to Updates**

Make sure you receive the latest benefit information from Benefits.gov. Click on "Subscribe to E-mail Updates" on any page on the site to receive emails about changes to that specific page or benefit program.

### Read the Benefits.gov Compass

Subscribe and read the **Benefits.gov Compass**, our quarterly eNewsletter, to stay informed on benefit news, updates and helpful tips.

### **Reach Out**

Whether you're a social worker, school counselor, career advisor, or other type of citizen advocate, our **Community Advocates** page includes search tips, downloadable free Benefits.gov materials, and other communication resources that can help you better serve those that you support. Our **Fact Sheets** provide tailored guidance to six of our most frequent types of visitors, communicating how Benefits.gov can help citizens like them.

### Link to Us

If you have a website, inform your site's visitors about more than 1,000 Federal and state benefit and assistance programs by placing a link to us in a readily visible area of your website. For complete linking instructions, go to the **Link to Us** page, under the **About** tab.

Share the wealth of benefit information!