

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.
- ◆ **Increase funding for the Healthy Food Financing Initiative** to support grocers in carrying healthier foods.
- ◆ **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, interchanges, 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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