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## The 411 on Eating Well on a Budget in DC

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## "Eating well needn't be expensive, time consuming or difficult."

"Basic, hands-on cooking instruction and straightforward nutrition education are integral components of improving a community's health."

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## Forms of Food Assistance




## You can

 purchase seeds \& seedlings with SNAP/EBT
## Women Infants and Children (WIC)



## Commodity Supplemental Food Program

The Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) provides nutritious food to low-income residents 60 years old or older.


2011 SENIORS
FARMERS' MARKET NUTRITION PROGRAM 786-1XXXXXXXX

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Last day to use SFMNP checks is NOVEMBER 30, 2011 Good only at wIC authorized Certified Fammers' Markets. Etigible foods are FRESH fruit, vegelables, honey and fresh cut herbs:

Uitimo dia para usar cheques de SFMNP es NOVIEMBRE 30, 2011
Buena sólo en Mercados de agricultores cerificados con autorizacion de WIC.


Cereal

- Cheese
- Beans or Peanut butter
- Low-fat milk
- Fruits
- Fruit juice
- Grain and pasta
- Canned meat, fish, poultry
- Non-fat dry milk
- Peanut butter
- Vegetables


Medicaid
SNAP
WIC
TANF
SSI Disability
Medicare QMB or
Senior Grocery Plus
\$10 per farmers' market visit up to two times per week

## What if I'm not eligible for food assistance benefits?

- Grow Your Own
- Hunting and Local Stockyards
- Reclaimed Resources
- Community Supported Agriculture (CSA)/Workshare
- SHARE program


## Grow Your Own

- Common Good City Farm
- Dept Parks and Rec
- Rooting DC
- Books and online resources



## Hunting

MD Hunting License:

- Internet course
- Mandatory Field Day showing gun handling competency

Resident Regular Hunting License- $\$ 24.50$ Nonresident Hunting License- $\$ 130.00$

Deer $=100-125 \mathrm{lbs}$
Squirrel = 8 ounces Rabbit $=2-4 \mathrm{lbs}$
http://www.dnr.state.md.us/huntersguide/ http://www.dgif.virginia.gov/hunting/

## Local Stockyards

Piscataway Stables 10775 Piscataway Rd, Clinton, MD (301) 297-9808

Sheep: 60-70 lbs@ \$175 Goat: 40-50 lbs@ \$150
$\$ 20$ butchering fee

## Resource Reclamation



## Community Supported Agriculture

 (CSA)/workshare- C.R.I.S.P CSA
- Black Farm CSA
- Three Part Harmony Farm
- Soilful City




## EAT

FRESH
FOOD!


## SUPPORT LOCAL FARMERS!



## SHARE Program $\$ 25$ for $\$ 40$ worth of food



- No income requirements
- Volunteer at least two hours of service
- SHARE accepts

Credit cards
Debit cards EBT cards
Money orders



## DIRTY DOZEN

- Strawberries
- Spinach
- Kale, collard and mustard greens
- Nectarines
- Apples
- Grapes
- Bell and hot peppers
- Cherries
- Peaches
- Pears
- Celery
-Tomatoes


## CLEAN FIFTEN

- Avocados
- Sweet corn
-Pineapple
- Onions
- Papaya
- Sweet peas (frozen)
-Asparagus
- Honeydew melon
-Kiwi
- Cabbage
- Mushrooms
- Cantaloupe
- Mangoes
-Watermelon

Of the 46 items included in our analysis, these Dirty Dozen foods were contaminated with more pesticides than other crops, according to our analysis of USDA data. ${ }^{1}$ (The rankings are based not only on the percentage of samples with pesticides but also on the number and amount of pesticides on all samples and on individual samples.

## How I Fed a Family of Four on SNAP

Family of Four SNAP benefit of $\$ 219$ (2009) = \$290 (2022)

Staples:

- Potatoes
- Carrots
- Onions
- Ginger\& Garlic
- Butternut squash
- Greens (swiss chard) spinach, kale)
- Craisins
- Rolled oats
- Flour
- Honey
- Nuts
- Oil
- Chicken, Sausage, Ground turkey



## HERBS AND SPICES

Artichokes Parsley, bay leaves, coriander, paprika
Asparagus Dill, marjoram, nutmeg, rosemary
Beetroot Pepper, coriander, thyme, dill, chives, ginger, cloves, sage
Broccoli Garlic, marjoram, nutmeg
Brussels Sprouts Rosemary, parsley, caraway, nutmeg, oregano, marjoram
Cabbage Bay leaves, garlic, curry, marjoram, nutmeg, chives, parsley
Carrots Parsley, basil, curry, chives, sage, thyme
www.wikihow.com/MatchHerbsandSpicestoVegetables

## Shopping \& Meal Planning Tips

$\rightarrow$ Inventory what you have on hand; make grocery list
$\rightarrow$ Eat before you go to the store to avoid impulse buys
$\rightarrow$ Pack a snack/Some stores have a fruit basket for kids
$\rightarrow$ Veggies and fruits past their prime are good deals
$\rightarrow$ Shop Latino, Indian and African stores for freshest spices

## Shopping \& Meal Planning Tips

$\rightarrow$ Learn to make 10 meals and substitute different ingredients

- pot pie: chicken, vegetable, beef
- beans: dal, hummus, cold salads
- meatballs: with pasta, in soup, grilled
$\rightarrow$ Make an incremental change in your diet (one meal a week)
$\rightarrow$ Eat seasonally and locally produced food whenever possible


## Meal Planning Resources

https://whatscooking.fns.usda.gov/
http://allrecipes.com/recipes/15522/everyday-cooking/budget-cooking/?page=2
http://www.eatingwell.com/healthy cooking/budget_cooking
The Bean Bible, Aliza Green
Kitchen Express, Mark Bittman

Mexican Fruits
1263 4th Street NE Open Daily
"Los Mejores Precios Del Rumbo" (240)-375-4728, 367-7373, 375-4748

Onions: $50 \mathrm{lbs} / \$ 30$
Carrots: 50 lbs/ \$20
Eggs: 15 dozen/ \$66
Turnips: 25 lbs/ \$14
Beets: 25 lbs / \$14
No SNAP yet-Feb 2023

## Meat Store

1265 4th Street NE

Liver: \$1.30/lb
Beef roast: $\$ 4.10 / / / 1 \mathrm{~b}$
mutton: $\$ 3.39 / \mathrm{lb}$
Smoked Turkey legs: \$1.55/lb
Ground beef: $\$ 30 / 10 \mathrm{lbs}$

CASH ONLY No EBT

# Jumbo Food 3201 Brinkley Road Temple Hills MD 

Potatoes: $10 \mathrm{lbs} / \$ 7$
Onions: $10 \mathrm{lbs} / \$ 10$
Carrots: 5 lbs/ \$5
Eggs: 2.5 dozen/\$9
Turnips: 1 lb/ \$1.29
Ground beef: $10 \mathrm{lbs} / \$ 40$


Jumbo Food 3201 Brinkley Road Temple Hills MD

Check the discount produce for great bargains!

Useful for smoothies, soups, stews, sauces!
\$1/10 lemons or limes
\$ 1 / pineapple
\$1/12 bananas


## Dollar Tree <br> *Several locations in DC

- Ground coffee, vanilla \& hazelnut
- Dried beans
- Clams, 6 ounce can
- Sardines, 5 ounce can
- White turkey in water, 5 oz can
- Sliced pineapple in juice
- Pasta and gnocchi
- Roasted red bell peppers
- Eggs, 8
- Frozen blueberries, 5 oz
- Frozen mixed veggies, 16 oz


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