

Supporting the Feeding America food banks and their affiliates
serving Iowa in their work to ensure that sufficient food is accessible to all.

Iowa Food Bank Association

2026 Federal Legislative Agenda

The Iowa Food Bank Association (IFBA) is comprised of six trusted Feeding America food banks that work together to:

- Ensure that Iowans have enough to eat to stay healthy and productive
- Educate and advocate for policies that eliminate food insecurity
- Efficiently and effectively serve Iowans facing hunger

TEFAP (The Emergency Food Assistance Program)

Increase TEFAP funding by:

- Reauthorizing and increasing mandatory funding for TEFAP food purchases
- Increasing annual discretionary funding for TEFAP storage and distribution by \$200 million
- Reauthorizing \$15 million in annual discretionary funding for TEFAP infrastructure grants
- Bolstering the TEFAP Farm to Food bank Program by removing the state match and allow states to prioritize programs

Protect Access to SNAP

Congress should ensure SNAP access for eligible Americans by:

- Supporting efforts to expand access to every eligible American, while promoting efficiency with state administrators
- Limiting SNAP restrictions while ensuring access to nutritious foods
- Streamlining and modernize SNAP enrollment processes to protect program integrity

Farm Bill

Congress should reauthorize a new Farm Bill that prioritizes:

- Protecting and expanding food nutrition programs
- Investments in emergency food systems
- Supporting infrastructure for food banks and pantries