

Iowa Food Bank Association 2026 State Legislative Agenda

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

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

Choose Iowa

Increase the current state appropriation for lowa food banks to purchase local and lowa-produced foods:

• Increase current standing appropriation of \$200,000 for food banks to purchase lowa-grown, produced or processed foods to distribute to lowans.

Double Up Food Bucks

Increase funding for Double Up Food Bucks, a program that helps low-income lowans purchase fresh fruits and vegetables through SNAP:

 \$1 million annual appropriation to support Double Up Food Bucks, administered by Iowa's Healthiest State Initiative.

Protect Access to SNAP

Support education, access and funding to SNAP for eligible lowans:

- Implications of shift in federal and state cost share.
- Promote accountability and program integrity.

