



The Role of Philanthropy in SNAP E&T

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Role in SNAP E&T

- Philanthropy and philanthropic entities can play a significant role in the SNAP E&T program.
- Foundations are examples of philanthropic entities.
- Many foundations grant funds directly to SNAP E&T providers while others support capacity building initiatives like the National Skills Coalition.
- Other foundations support efforts to develop critical career pathways that connect participants to jobs with employer partners.

Partner to SNAP E&T

- FNS provides limited direct Federal grants (“100% funding”) to SNAP State agencies to plan, implement, and operate the SNAP E&T program.
- FNS also reimburses SNAP State agencies for additional E&T costs (“50/50 funding”), so long as the original expenditure is an unobligated nonfederal dollar. These funds can be used for administrative expenses, direct services, and supportive services.
- Philanthropy is an example of an unobligated nonfederal dollar.
- FNS encourages State SNAP agencies to consult with partners to develop annual SNAP E&T State Plans.

Limitations of Philanthropy

- Foundations are limited and most foundations distribute 5% of their assets annually.
- Foundation funding is often restricted to priority areas.
- The need for E&T services and supportive services is significant.
- Together, philanthropy and State SNAP agencies can address these needs.

Collaborative Opportunities

Philanthropy may help State SNAP Agencies to:

- Incubate innovative programs and partnerships.
- Collaborate on solutions for supportive services like transportation and child care.
- Develop stronger sector-based training and pathways that lead to high-wage, high-demand jobs.
- Develop robust partnerships with community and technical colleges and higher education.

Discussion

Q&A

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