THE OHIO DIRECTION CARD

Customers will use the card at all magnetic stripe swipe (debit/credit) card terminals in the state of Ohio. The card will have you name on it to easily identify it as yours.

Cards will be mailed directly to your home. Customer service will be available to you 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

Customer service: 1-866-386-3071



To check your food card balance, log onto:

www.ebt.acs-inc.com



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Customers may request a County Conference or a State Hearing with the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services regarding their food assistance benefits.

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FAIRFIELD COUNTY

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SNAP - Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

The SNAP/Ohio Direction card can be used anywhere in Ohio as well as other states. This makes it easier for you to access your food assistance benefits in the event of moving or in emergency situations.

Your name is embossed on the card to help you identify your card in a multi-assistance group household.

Your card will be sent to you by mail. Once your card is received you will be instructed to call customer service and select a four digit PIN. Once you select your PIN number, you can use your card immediately. DO NOT GIVE YOUR PIN NUMBER TO ANYONE.

Benefits do not have to be used prior to the end of the month. Benefits will continue to accrue.

What are the advantages?

You will be able to use the same terminal other debit/credit card users use which will not identify you as a "food assistance" customer.

What do you need to do?

Make sure your case worker has accurate mailing information for you.

All cards that are undeliverable will be returned to the vendor.

If you do not receive your card you may contact our office to verify your correct mailing address. An incorrect address will cause a delay in receiving your card.

It is very important that you do not lose your card. It may take up to 10 working days for you to receive a requested replacement card by mail.

Please contact customer service if you need to receive a replacement card, your card is damaged, lost, or to check your account balance.

Customer Service phone number: 1-866-386-3071

What can I purchase with my EBT card?

- All foods intended to be eaten at home
- Items that carry a nutrition fact label are eligible foods
- Seeds and plants intended to grow food

Your Ohio Direction Card is not authorized to make the following purchases:

- Items that carry a supplement facts label are classified by the FDA as supplements and are not eligible
- Alcohol and Tobacco products
- Paper products
- Vitamins
- Medicines
- Pet products
- Cleaning Supplies
- Foods ready to be eaten in the store
- Foods sold to be heated while you are in the grocery store

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