

Talking Points

1. Phone Calls

- For over 50 years, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and Medicaid have been cornerstones of our nation's commitment to ensuring people can afford groceries and have access to health care.
- If the budget reconciliation bill passes in the House, we'll see the most extreme cuts to these programs in history!
- Losing food and health care benefits at the same time would be catastrophic for our neighbors, especially people in rural areas like South Dakota.
- Losing these benefits means more kids and families going without the nutritious food we all need to thrive and losing critical access to doctors and nurses.
- Protecting SNAP and Medicaid means protecting families, strengthening local economies and upholding our nation's commitment to addressing hunger.

If no one answers, leave a voicemail.

2. Email Template:

- Subject: NO to Senate Budget Bill
- Message:

Congressman Johnson,

As your constituent I strongly urge you to **reject the Senate's budget reconciliation bill** that would allow for nearly \$1 Trillion in cuts to SNAP and Medicaid. Losing food and healthcare at the same time would be catastrophic for our neighbors facing hunger, especially in rural areas like South Dakota.

Without these programs more children, families, and veterans will seek food assistance from charitable organizations like Feeding South Dakota; who is already experiencing a decline in resources and increase in need.

Don't make this gap wider. Vote NO!

- Include your name, city, and title (Feeding South Dakota Board Member works!)

3. Social Media Tips:

Remember to tag official government usernames, not their campaigns. This makes sure the right team sees your engagement.