

# OUR VISION

## WHAT WE BELIEVE

**Everyone deserves access to food, regardless of their documentation or immigration status.** When everyone can access nourishing food that feels like home, our families, communities and economies thrive.

## THE OPPORTUNITY

**People across Oregon are struggling to make ends meet with the high cost of living.** When prices rise, too many families are forced to make impossible decisions between buying groceries and other essentials like medication and housing costs. No one should have to skip meals to pay their bills. That's why supporting policies that create broader access to food is so important for our communities.

**We can improve our country's most effective food access program.** The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, formerly known as food stamps) provides funds for people experiencing hunger to buy food that is nourishing and feels like home. But right now, thousands of immigrant Oregonians are excluded from this vital program despite paying billions of dollars in taxes and contributing to our communities.

## **Oregon is stronger when we care for one another.**

When everyone has access to food, our families, communities and economy thrive because people are healthy and local businesses are supported. This is true in every corner of Oregon, from Portland to Ontario. When we all come together, we can pass policies that reduce hunger and keep our communities healthy and thriving.

## FOOD FOR ALL OREGONIANS

**With our communities across the state, we're changing the system to include all of us.** Food for All Oregonians is a community-led coalition working to pass policies that ensure we all have access to the food we need to

thrive. The coalition conducted listening sessions, one-on-one meetings and large-scale surveys statewide with community members who have experienced hunger — drawing perspectives from our diverse immigrant and refugee communities to create policy solutions.

**We can reduce hunger across Oregon by passing Food for All Oregonians in 2025.** We are introducing a historic policy that ensures all young kids (ages 0-6), including immigrant Oregonians, can access the food we need to thrive. Food for All Oregonians will provide food assistance similar to SNAP to young kids across Oregon who are currently excluded due to immigration status. The program will include community navigation, outreach, improved language access (including in Spanish) and more to ensure everyone is aware of this vital support.

**This is just the beginning — we will keep working to ensure food access for everyone in our communities.** Join us at [FoodForAllOR.org](https://FoodForAllOR.org).

Food for all Oregonians is broadly supported by more than 185 organizations across Oregon. Our Steering Committee includes:

Adelante Mujeres, APANO, Afghan Support Network, Micronesian Islander Community, Oregon Food Bank, Oregon Latino Health Coalition, Partners for a Hunger-Free Oregon, PCUN, Plaza de Nuestra Comunidad, Unite Oregon