Washington State SNAP-Ed | 2017

HEALTHIER LIVES THROUGH EDUCATION & PUBLIC HEALTH APPROACHES

THE CHALLENGE







THE SNAP-ED SOLUTION

SNAP-Ed collaborates with community organizations to implement evidence-based nutrition and physical activity education and policy, systems, and environmental changes that make the healthy choice the easy choice in settings where low-income Washingtonians...



Food Banks Farmers' Markets Retail Corner Stands Farm Stands



LEARN

Schools
Community Centers
Mobile Education
Extension Offices
WIC Clinics
Early Care Facilities



LIVE

Low-Income
Housing
Emergency Shelters
Faith-Based Centers
Health-Care Clinics
Tribal Communities
Treatment Centers



EAT

Soup Kitchens Summer Meal Sites Senior Centers Fast Food Chains Restaurants



PLAY

Bicycle/Walking
Paths
Community
Rec Centers
Community
Gardens
Public Parks



WORK

Job Training TANF Military Bases SNAP Offices Worksites with Low-Wage Earners



THE RESULTS 20174

TOTAL STATEWIDE REACH

• • • • • • • **855**,167*

Face-to-Face Education: 67,640

- 39% participants were children
- 25% identified as Hispanic
- 23% identified as minority races

Supportive Education*: 46,195

PSE Activities*: 741,332

- 96 PSE projects
- 43 partnering agencies

= Estimated Counts

KEY BEHAVIORAL OUTCOMES



Increased FRUIT & VEGETABLES

- 9th 12th graders ate MORE fruit and vegetables
- Adults ate a greater variety and ate 50% more fruits and vegetables



Increased PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

- 6th 12th graders did physical activity **MORE** days per week
- Adults did moderate and vigerous physical activities MORE days per week



Increased ACCESS to HEALTHY FOOD

- Adults use the nutrition facts label **MORE** often
- Adults worried about running out of food **LESS** often
- 9th 12th graders help their families by using emergency food resources **MORE** often

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2017 STATEWIDE IMPACT



39 (100%) COUNTIES SERVED

62 SNAP-Ed Regional Providers Delivered Programs

632* Community Level Partnerships

855, 167*
SNAP-Ed Participants Benefitting

PSE Evaluation Pilot

Projects took place in settings where SNAP-Ed participants eat, learn, live, play, shop, and work.

55% of PSE projects in the pilot took place in a setting where participants learn.

86% of PSE projects involved a policy, system, or environmental change that provided nutrition supports.

PROJECT HIGHLIGHT

Washington State Farmers Markets

Improving Community Food Access



Working across Washington



Farmers markets in 23 WA counties reported food access activities

King County had the most markets and activities with 134 individual activities.

9 counties with > 10 activities

Making Markets Affordable & SNAP-Friendly



of markets reported accepting SNAP/EBT, WIC, or Senior FMNP.

74 markets advertised these programs; 58 trained staff & vendors about them.

In 2016, across WA, there were many reported food access activities, for example:

103 educational programs for adults and youth

48 SNAP/EBT incentive programs

18 fruit and vegetable prescription programs



Using SNAP-Ed **Funding**

SNAP-Ed funding increased farmers markets' capacity to do community food access work. SNAP-Ed funded "contractors" **built partner networks** and supported programming.

It wouldn't be happening without SNAP-Ed. I mean it would be zero...it's not work that any market, or any farmer, or any non-profit organization working with low income people would be able to pay for on its own."

- Farmers Market Manager



Partnering Across Communities

343

food access activities by markets & their partners across 94 markets; 43 activities new in 2016.

Of the 94 Markets...

61%

of markets partnered with senior centers

59%

of markets partnered with public health agencies

58%

of markets partnered with food banks

Multi-sector partners built strong local food systems & increased access to healthy foods.

Washington State

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