

Founded in 1986, Just Harvest is a membership-based non-profit organization that is connecting the citizens of Allegheny County to public benefits and advocating for stronger safety net programs with the aim of eliminating hunger and poverty in our community.

Just Harvest Education Fund serves individuals and families by helping them access public benefits such as food stamps, summer food, the earned income tax credit, and school meals.

Just Harvest: A Center for Action Against Hunger advocates for the improvement of these benefit programs through our public policy advocacy efforts.

We organize recipients of these benefits and other community members to use their voices to protect and improve the policies and programs that lift struggling Pennsylvanians out of poverty and keep so many of our neighbors from going hungry.

Just Harvest is an Equal Opportunity Employer and Service Provider.

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Just Harvest Education Fund is a proud partner agency of the United Way of Allegheny County



Just Harvest's Food Stamp (SNAP) Application Assistance Program is made possible by a contract with the **PA Department of Human Services**. Our Tax Assistance Program is made possible by grants from the **United Way of Allegheny County** and the **Internal Revenue Service**.

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ACTION AGAINST HUNGER



OUR SERVICES

Plan to Save
my refund to fund
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Just Harvest works to change the unjust public policies that create poverty and hunger. Our services are aimed at helping struggling individuals and families access the safety net benefits they are eligible for and that can make a critical difference in their lives.

TAX HELP

The Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) is the nation's largest antipoverty program and can increase a family's annual income by as much as 45%. Unfortunately, many people lose much of their refunds to commercial tax preparers in preparation fees and advance refund loans.

From January to April each year, Just Harvest provides certified, free tax preparation assistance. We have day, evening, and Saturday hours to accommodate the busy schedules of working families.

You can schedule an appointment starting the second week of January by dialing 2-1-1.



SNAP / FOOD STAMPS

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (or "food stamps") is our nation's first line of defense against hunger. It is a public benefit that you can use to supplement your food budget to provide you and your family with nutritious food.

SNAP is a federal government program administered in Pennsylvania by the state's Department of Human Services (DHS). **Just Harvest helps hundreds of families apply for these benefits each year.** Major support for Just Harvest's SNAP application assistance program is provided by the PA DHS.

For a five minute eligibility screening and help completing your application over the phone call us at (412) 431-8960.



CASE ADVOCACY

Food Stamps LIHEAP Cash Assistance (TANF)

Are you having trouble applying for or receiving public benefits through the Department of Human Services?

Just Harvest can provide you with assistance. Call our advocates at (412) 431-8960.



FRESH ACCESS

SNAP benefits accepted.

Our Fresh Access program fights hunger by improving access to nutritious food at Pittsburgh Citiparks and other area farmers markets. At these markets, open May to November, **our kiosk allows customers to use food stamps via electronic benefit transfer (EBT) to purchase a variety of fresh produce, baked goods, meat and dairy products.** Credit and debit cards can also be used.

For a list of participating markets and their locations and hours go to www.justharvest.org/get-help/fresh-access/ or call us at (412) 431-8960.



SCHOOL MEALS

Just Harvest can help you complete your child's free or reduced-price school meals application over the phone. The application will then be sent electronically to your child's school food service department.

For assistance, call us at (412) 431-8960.