## The **Belray Bemocrat**

## By the Numbers<sup>1</sup>

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Republicans aren't tiptoeing around throwing Americans off the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (formerly "Food Stamps") in the same way they are tiptoeing around throwing them off Medicaid.

Here's a summary, from the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities:

- SNAP funding cut by \$300 billion through 2034
- More than 40 million people, including some 16 million children, 8 million seniors, and 4 million non-elderly adults with disabilities will be affected by the cuts.
- More than 2 million children will see food assistance to their families cut substantially or terminated.
- For the first time, the federal government shifts funding costs on the states, making them responsible for between 5% and 25% of the cost, penalizing states depending on their "error" rates (a measure of overpayments and underpayments in their programs), with most states liable for 15% of the cost.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Delray Democrat, May 2025, page 8.