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Trump funding cuts axed nutrition program



SNAP-Ed taught people how to identify healthy food patterns, keep food safe and navigate a complex food environment. It also taught low-income Americans how to improve their budgeting and planning for meals that balance cost and nutrition. GETTY IMAGES

SNAP-Ed saved money, helped Americans eat healthier

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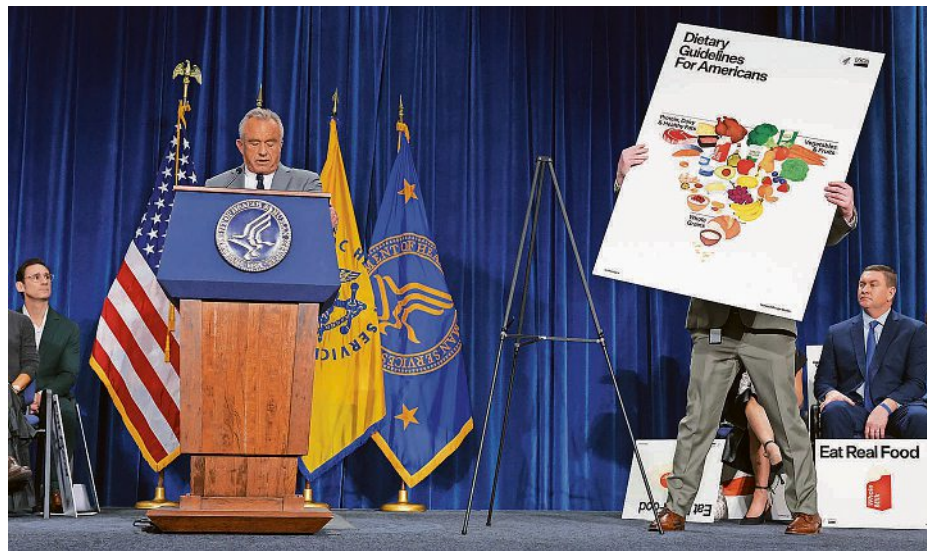
If the government had found a way to save \$10 for every dollar it spent helping low-income people get healthier, wouldn't it make sense for it to keep doing that?

Well, that's exactly what the U.S. government did when it piloted the SNAP-Ed program in 1977. This U.S. Department of Agriculture program persisted for nearly 50 years until the Trump administration shuttered it in 2025.

SNAP-Ed served as the nutrition education arm of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, which helps more than 40 million Americans buy groceries.

SNAP-Ed complemented SNAP by teaching people who get those benefits

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Secretary of Health and Human Services Robert F. Kennedy Jr. and the Make America Healthy Again movement have embraced a core principle: Healthy habits prevent chronic disease. Yet the Trump administration stopped funding SNAP-Ed, which helped boost health in at-risk communities.

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Wiza elected Urban Alliance president

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STEVENS POINT – Stevens Point Mayor Mike Wiza has been elected president of the League of Wisconsin Municipalities' Urban Alliance.

The alliance is a subset of the league and represents Wisconsin municipalities with populations of 10,000 or more, according to a community announcement. It focuses on public policy evaluation, development, education and legislative advocacy.

Alliance aims to amplify cities' voices

"I am honored to have been selected

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Give blood at these locations in April

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The American Red Cross is calling for blood donors this spring, with several donation opportunities available in Marathon, Portage and Wood counties, according to a community announcement.

As spring activities pick up and schedules become busier, the Red Cross said it is crucial to maintain a stable blood supply.

Life is Good teams up with the Red Cross

The Red Cross is partnering with lifestyle brand Life is Good to encourage donations. Those who come to

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