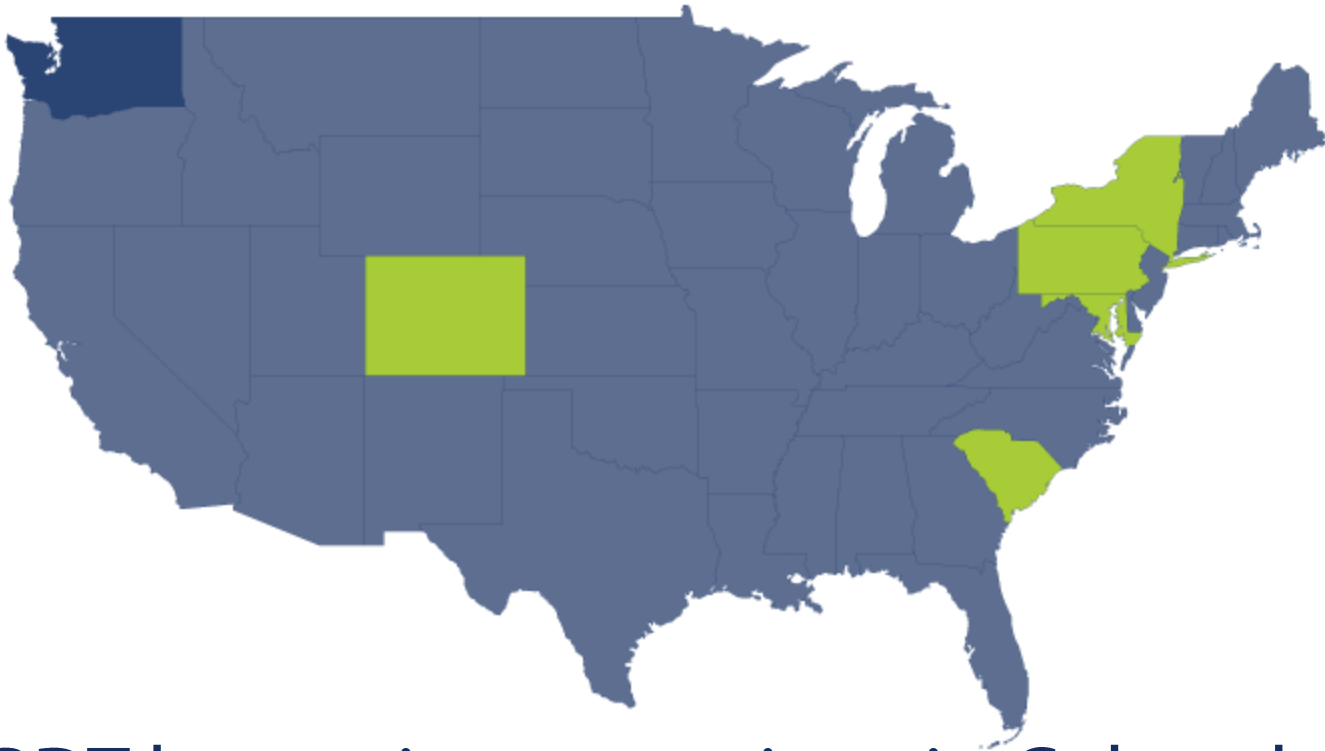# Reducing Hunger Among Older Adults Through Policy Change

BENEFITS DATA TRUST

BDT Service Area

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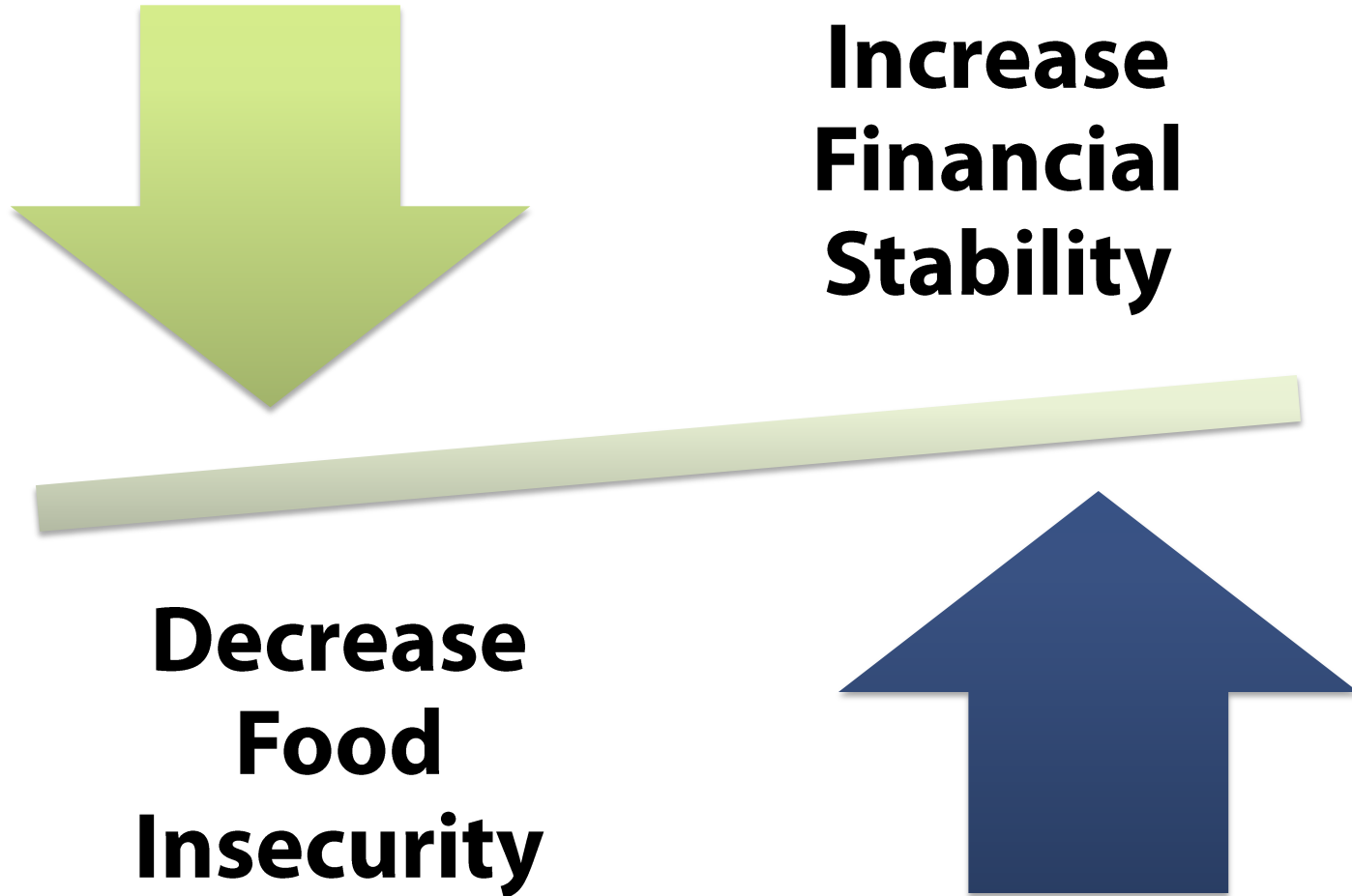
Barriers to Access

Lack of Information

Burden of Applying

Low Benefit Amount

What can we do?

Increase Financial Stability

Decrease Food Insecurity

What is ESAP?

- Elderly Simplified Application Project (ESAP) Demonstration

- Goal: Increase senior SNAP participation by streamlining the application and certification process

ESAP Eligibility Requirements

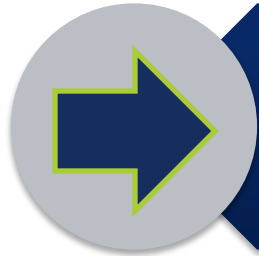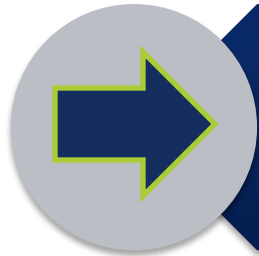**Income** → Household cannot have any earned income

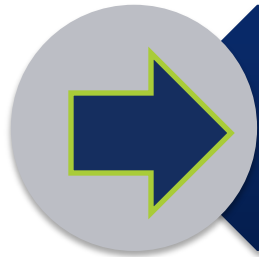**Household** → Household must include senior individuals only

ESAP Overview: Waivers

No interview at recertification

Fewer document requirements

Extended certification period

Putting it all Together