

April 21, 2023

My name is Adama Hamilton. I am a resident in Ashland. I am writing to request your support for HB 2728. The bill is currently in the Joint Ways & Means Committee, and I urge you to take action to fund this bill before the Legislature adjourns.

HB 2728 supports the expansion of Double Up Food Bucks Oregon, a SNAP incentive program with a proven record of success. For every dollar spent on SNAP-eligible foods at participating farmers markets, farm stands, grocery stores, and CSAs across the state, shoppers will receive an additional dollar to spend on Oregon-grown fruits and vegetables.

The cost of food increased by over 10% in 2022, which impacted communities already facing disparities the hardest. Double Up Food Bucks is a perfect investment as we work to stabilize Oregon post-pandemic, serving an immediate need of feeding people while investing in local farmers and local economies - an incredible triple win.

**I want to eat healthy.**

**I want to support local Farmers and Growers.**

**The DUFB helps me to do this when I would not otherwise be able to.**

I ask you to support HB 2728, and to fully fund the bill before the Oregon Legislature adjourns.

Thank you for your consideration and your service.

Sincerely,  
Adama Hamilton  
Ashland