



Indiana Catholic Conference

SB 9 SNAP and drug convictions

ICC supports SB 9.

All persons have a right to food and shelter.

Individuals after serving their sentence and release from jail or prison have many obstacles when rejoining the community. In addition to the culture and family adjustments, employment is often denied because of the conviction and prison record. Many employers refuse to hire them, which contributes to recidivism. When jobs are available, often these are temporary or part time. Hence, SNAP assistance is tangible and needed. This benefit will go a long way to assisting persons to maintain themselves and their dignity. While food banks are willing and provide assistance, these institutions are stretched to serve all who are in need.

Persons who have paid their debt and attempting to rectify past mistakes should be given the opportunity to prove themselves and eligible for support and programs that can assist them and affirm their human dignity.

We ask for your support of SB 9

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