

DEFINITIONS

1. FOODBANK PROGRAMS:

- A. Feeding America: This program offers donated foods from national and local companies which may carry a shared maintenance contribution of up to 18¢ per pound or 21¢ per pound if we had to repackage the donation.
- B. Foodbank Market: This program offers a stable supply of basic groceries at our cost plus a markup for handling.
- C. USDA Commodities(TEFAP): This program offers monthly allocations of government foods at up to 18¢ per pound and provides products each month that are the basics for an emergency food bag. We allocate this product based on the member agencies percentage of service in their county. This food can only be used for Food Pantries, Soup Kitchens and Shelters.
- D. Ohio Food Purchase Program(OFP): This program is funded by the Ohio General Assembly, and purchases food by the trailer load for distribution to our member agencies. We allocate this no charge product based on the member agencies percentage of service in their county. This food can only be used for Food Pantries, Soup Kitchens and Shelters. The Agency must have a USDA contract to receive this product.
- E. Ohio Agriculture Clearance Program(ACP): This program is funded by the Ohio General Assembly which locates surplus agricultural product which are donated by Ohio farmers and covers their harvesting and processing costs. This product is offered at no cost. The Agency must have a USDA contract to receive this product.
- F. BackPack Program: This program provides a bag of food each weekend to children who experience severe food insecurity.
- G. Senior Commodities Program: This program is funded through USDA and provides monthly boxes with nutritious food to low income elderly persons at least 60 years of age.

2. PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS TYPES:

- A. Food Pantry: A non-profit 501(c)3 pantry provides bags of groceries to people in need at no charge and keeps records of people served. Types of pantry programs are:
 - a) *Choice Pantry*: Configured like a grocery store, allowing consumers a normalized experience in choosing for themselves whatever they need to get them through the presented crisis, while maintaining their dignity and respecting their family and cultural food preferences. A Choice Pantry will also offer integrated support and behavioral services to help consumers become more self-reliant.
 - b) *Emergency Food Pantry*: Provides bags or boxes of pre-packed groceries in sufficient quantity and quality to meet the complete nutritional needs of the person (and their family) asking for help for at least three days.
- B. Meals/Shelter Programs: A non-profit 501(c)3 organization which provides hot or cold nutritionally balanced meals, either on site or home delivered, to people in need at no charge and keeps count of meals and people served each day. These types of programs are:
 - a) *Soup Kitchen*: Is open at meals times, breakfast and/or lunch and/or dinner, providing hot meals to people in need, generally cafeteria style.

- b) *Brown Bag*: Provides nutritionally balanced cold meals to people requesting help (like sandwiches, snacks, fruit, cookies and drink) in a lunch sack. Generally, people take the lunch and eat it elsewhere.
- c) *Shelter*: Provides meals to residents of shelter, i.e.: Homeless shelter or Protective shelter.

C. BackPack: This program provides bags of food for children living in severe food insecure homes attending school districts located in Shared Harvest Foodbank's service region. This is a sponsor based program that covers \$1.50 of cost of food bags sent home each weekend to participating children for current school year. Sponsorship cost is evaluated each year and any changes will be communicated.

D. Senior Commodities Program: Partners are responsible for identifying eligible participants, completing applications, maintaining applications and supporting documentation, properly storing food boxes, and distributing to eligible participants once a month by the 20th of each month. Signature logs of distribution would need to also be maintained and copies of completed logs faxed or scanned to Shared Harvest and return any remaining undistributed boxes by 21st of the month.

E. Innovative Programs: These are non-traditional non-profit 501(c)3 organizations or under the auspices of a 501c3 organization that provide food to people in need. Organizations can submit explanation of program to Shared Harvest for determination of eligible membership. Depending on type of program, may or may not be eligible for TEFAP, OFP & ACP. Examples of types of programs are:

- a) *Mobile Pantry*: A truckload of food is distributed to clients in pre-packed boxes or through a farmer's market-style distribution where clients choose to take what they need. Distribution location typically serves clients in areas of high need in an effort to supplement other hunger-relief agencies in that area.
- b) *Produce Mobile Pantry*: Program provides high-quality fresh fruits and vegetables on a refrigerated truck to people in need at various community and neighborhood locations through retail rescue and ACP.
- c) *School Pantry*: Program provides an easily accessible source of food assistance to low-income students and their families. Distribution of prepacked boxes or through a farmer's style market that takes place at a consistent location within a school's campus. They have set distribution schedules and offer ongoing food assistance services. School Pantries may have a permanent set up within a school or may operate through a mobile distribution rotation that brings food to a school campus.
- d) *Other*: Submit explanation of program for determination of eligible membership