

Grant County Christian Service Council and Feeding South Dakota

Wednesday, May 8th, from 4:00-5:00 p.m. in the Living Word Church parking lot on the north end of Milbank on Hwy. 15.

There will be several recognizable changes this year with this event due to the fact that Feeding SD is now receiving a large percentage of their food from The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP). Because of the involvement of the federal government, there are specific requirements and rules that must be followed.

First, federal commodity rules require Feeding South Dakota to serve ONLY South Dakota residents.

Secondly, recipients must now meet federal income guidelines. These guidelines will be posted at the event, as well as in the Milbank ICAP Office. Households will not be asked for verification of income, but will self-report and indicate whether they meet the income eligibility guidelines. At registration, households receiving food will be required to provide their name, number in the household, address, and signature of the family member receiving the food.

Household Size	Annual Income	Monthly Income	Twice per Month Income	Every Two Weeks Income	Weekly Income
1	\$26,973	\$2,248	\$1,124	\$1,038	\$519
2	\$36,482	\$3,041	\$1,521	\$1,404	\$702
3	\$45,991	\$3,833	\$1,917	\$1,769	\$885
4	\$55,500	\$4,625	\$2,313	\$2,135	\$1,068
5	\$65,009	\$5,418	\$2,709	\$2,501	\$1,251
6	\$74,518	\$6,210	\$3,105	\$2,867	\$1,434
7	\$84,027	\$7,003	\$3,502	\$3,232	\$1,616
8	\$93,536	\$7,795	\$3,898	\$3,598	\$1,799
For Each Additional Family Member, Add:	\$9,509	\$793	\$397	\$366	\$183

Thirdly, participants must now meet federal income guidelines, this changes the way guests can now pick up food for another family. As in the past, you may pick up food for ONE other family, however with the new regulations, this family must also be residing in South Dakota and must meet the federal income guidelines. In order to pick up food for a second family, they must fill out the TEFAP Proxy form with the guest who will

be picking up the food for them.

The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP)

Proxy Form

***Effective July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024**

****Form must be completed in ink and cannot be altered once completed**

TEFAP Participant

Organization Type: Food Bank Food Pantry Mobile Food Pantry Soup Kitchen

If Mobile Food Pantry, proxy designation must be completed for each distribution

Date Form Completed: _____

Proxy certification period is valid July 1-June 30 as associated with the Income Eligibility Guidelines

TEFAP Participant's Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

I hereby designate _____ (first and last name of Proxy)
to serve as my proxy to sign required TEFAP Participant documents, provide eligibility information, and pick up my TEFAP
USDA foods from the following agency:

TEFAP Participant's Signature: _____

TEFAP Proxy

I understand that, as their TEFAP Proxy, I take full responsibility for the actions of my TEFAP participant. As a TEFAP Proxy, I am required to ensure that the TEFAP Participant's income falls within the TEFAP income eligibility guidelines and that all the necessary TEFAP paperwork has been completed.

In addition, I understand that I must present a valid ID to receive TEFAP foods on behalf of the TEFAP Participant and provide my signature on the TEFAP Self-Declaration Form in the follow manner: PROXY; (Proxy's Signature).

TEFAP Proxy's Signature: _____ Date _____

As in the past, because of the close proximity to Highway 15, we are asking that recipients arrive **NO EARLIER than 2:30** as we won't have volunteers available to park vehicles until that time, and we don't want to create traffic hazards on the highway. **PLEASE do not** park in the church parking lot until the volunteers are there at 2:30 to give parking instructions. If you wish to pick up food for your family, you will enter the lot where instructed, and will receive further traffic flow directions from there. We will be asking recipients to simply open their trunks or back liftgates of their vehicles once they are in line, and volunteers will place the boxes in the vehicle. **PLEASE** have a space ready for the box in your vehicle so the traffic flow will not be disrupted by needing additional time to make room for your boxes. The church **WILL** be open during the giveaway, so restrooms **WILL** be available!

Please note that this new registration process will take more time to complete, so we are asking guests to be prepared to present their family information quickly and clearly. If the guests can have the following information **PRINTED** on a sheet of paper, and ready to hand to the volunteers registering the families, this will help speed up the process, and guarantee that the information is correctly reported to Feeding South Dakota:

(1) First & Last Name (2) # of children in the family 0-17, # of adults in the family 18-59, # of adults in the family 60+ (3) address, city, zip code

If you are interested in volunteering for this event, need more information about receiving food, or need to get a copy of the PROXY FORM, feel free to text Brenda Maass, program coordinator, at 605-880-7176, or email at brendajmaass@gmail.com.