

USDA Summer Food Service Program



Food That's In
When School
Is Out!



SFSP Reimbursement (and other funding)

The Summer Food Service Program offers sponsors financial support to help cover the cost of food, administration, and program operations. SFSP is administered by the State according to Federal guidelines set by USDA's Food and Nutrition Service.

Meal reimbursement

Generally, sponsors can be approved to receive reimbursement for up to two meals, or a meal and a snack. Ask your State agency which types of meals and snacks may be served for reimbursement at your site. (Camps and migrant sites can claim up to three meals a day.)

Sponsors are reimbursed at a per meal rate for types of meals served. (Visit the Web site for current rates.) The reimbursement helps cover the costs of food, administration, and program operations.

The SFSP is a nonprofit food service program for children. Sponsors will not be able to receive more than actual program costs.

Rural and self-preparation sponsors receive slightly higher reimbursement for administrative costs.



Network with your local business community members, church leaders, and civic organizations to increase participation.

USDA and State agencies are available to assist you in meeting the requirements to run a Summer Food Service Program site.

Other Funding Sources

While SFSP will reimburse you for the food service, tap into other sources to fund your activity programs. Partnering, grant writing, co-sponsorship are some of the valuable ideas that will make your program successful. And don't forget volunteers, whether they're parents, college students, teachers with the summer off, or elderly neighborhood residents. Their talents and dedication will keep kids coming back.

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