USDA Foods

During a Disaster

TDA Roles and Responsibilities

**Presidentially declared disaster or emergency**

- TDA has the authority to release USDA Foods for congregate feeding.

**Congregate Meals**

- Organizations such as the Red Cross or Salvation Army prepare meals in large quantities for those affected by the disaster.

**Steps for using USDA Foods in congregate feeding**

1. Local governments or organizations contact the State Operations Center at Texas Department of Public Safety to request additional food.

2. TDA identifies USDA Foods available for congregate feeding.

3. TDA notifies USDA FNS of request.