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April 2025 Monthly Newsletter

Get Ready for MegaCon 2025!

Commissioner Sid Miller and the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) invite you to MegaCon 2025 – in Austin, May 21-23, 2025. To learn more about this conference, please visit the [conference website](#).

CSFP Participant Application Revised

The CSFP Form H1504 Participant Application Form and Instructions have been revised to reflect USDA regulation updates. The form will now allow applicants to indicate their participation in other federally funded programs that would confer automatic eligibility for CSFP benefits. This new flexibility was included in the Improving Access and Parity Final Rule released on October 31, 2024.

The form and instructions can be found on the [CSFP Administration/Forms](#) page.

New CSFP IEGs Released

The new 2025 Income Eligibility Guidelines for the Elderly (Form H1666) for CSFP has been posted and released. These new guidelines are effective immediately for all applicants and must replace any saved previous versions. The form and associated instructions can be accessed on [SquareMeals](#).

TANS Update

The Texas Automated Nutrition System (TANS) will replace TX-UNPS for administration and management of all nutrition programs. Timelines, resources, and updates are available now on the [Systems Hub](#).

TEFAP Application Forms Revised

TEFAP application forms and accompanying instructions have been revised to reflect changes to USDA regulation. The forms now include the requirement that a ZIP code is the minimum piece of information required at the time of application to establish participant residency. While a full address may be requested, it is not required for a participant to receive USDA Foods via TEFAP.

RELEASE: 2025-2026 Income Eligibility Guidelines

The 2025-2026 Income Eligibility Guidelines (IEGs) for all child nutrition and household programs have been released and posted to [SquareMeals](#). Additionally, the following resources have been updated with the latest IEGs:

- H1640 – TEFAP IEGs
- H1668 – SFMNP IEGs
- H1625A – CACFP IEGs
- 2025-2026 Income Eligibility Guidelines for Determining Free and Reduced Price Benefits (NSLP and SBP Resource)

These resources are available on the respective programs' Administration/Forms pages.

Participant income applications that also contain the IEGs will be released closer to their effective date of July 1, 2025.

Multiple Sections of CSFP Handbook Revised

Revisions were made to the CSFP Handbook to reflect the most recent policy guidance and rulemaking. Significant revisions are highlighted within the handbooks and listed in the recently published Revision Notice.

Sections revised include:

- Section 3: Managing the Program
 - Section 4: USDA Foods
 - Section 5: Visits, Reviews, and Audits
 - Section 7: Financial Management
 - Section 10: Disaster Policies and Procedures
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 - Section 6: Civil Rights
 - Section 7: Financial Management
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USDA Foods Ordering Updates

TEFAP PY25

Next ordering deadline for TEFAP entitlement is June 13, 2025 for delivery periods October through December 2025. This will be the last ordering round for PY25 TEFAP.

USDA has not released the final PY25 funding amount. Once this has been updated in WBSCM, TDA will reach out for any conversions needed with food banks.

TEFAP CCC_TE

CCC_TE truckloads due for delivery April and beyond for calendar year 2025. As of 03/26/2025 all truckloads not in purchased or received status have been cancelled by USDA.

CSFP and TEFAP: WBSCM Requisition Status Report - Generate periodically to update your records "Sales Order Status" of ordered Materials and Quantities of each "Sales Order #". Requisition Status

Reports search parameters: For CY2024 – 01/01/2024 through 12/31/2024.
For CY2025 – 01/01/2025 through 12/31/2025.



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