

Agency Newsletter

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Feeding South Dakota is a proud member of Feeding America, the nation's largest domestic hunger-relief organization. Feeding America is a network of 200 member food banks that engages our country in the fight to end hunger.

Important Reminders

Monthly CSFP recipient lists should be emailed to Lynn:
lynn@feedingsouthdakota.org
by the first Friday of the month.

Retail pickup partners: Please remember to forward your weekly retail pick-up totals to Barb:
barb@feedingsouthdakota.org



Note from the Agency Relations Coordinator

February's Biggest Challenge Answer: What items on the Feeding South Dakota menu work best for your agency and why? This month's randomly-chosen winner is the Avon Kids Club. Carol writes that the kids that participate there enjoy the individual snack bars and the cans of peaches, as well as the many items that they can prepare using the hamburger such as taverns and tacos. Being able to have the hamburger on our menu for as low as .18 per pound is due to our generous friends at the South Dakota Cattlemen's Association, who are sponsoring the Prime Time Gala for the fourth year. This year's Gala is on June 17, with Martina McBride as the headline concert act. Protein is one of the highest food needs and we wouldn't be able to provide that without their support.

March Biggest Challenge Question: What trends has your food pantry experienced in the past five years? At the Feeding South Dakota food pantry sites in Sioux Falls and Rapid City, we have experienced much higher numbers of guests, and a large percentage of our guests have at least one working adult in the home. Email your answer to diane@feedingsouthdakota.org and you'll be entered into a random drawing for \$50 worth of donated product.

This early spring weather has been such a treat! It's a reminder though of how unpredictable temperatures are and the year-round importance of safe food handling. If you are picking up from any of the food bank sites, make sure you have coolers, ice packs, and freezer blankets to keep frozen and refrigerated food safe no matter how far you are traveling. Also remember that all food must be enclosed or covered and not exposed to the elements.

It's not too early to start planning for fresh produce. With over half of food pantry guests affected by a chronic illness, nutritious food is highly sought after. Ask your local gardeners to consider planting extra for your pantry or meal site, or let local farmer's markets know if you can take surplus. We also have bulk produce available on our menu. The Feeding America member food bank are striving to reach a goal of 75% of the food we distribute being a nutritious food.

As always, please feel free to contact us with suggestions, comments, or questions.

Diane Briest
Agency Relations Coordinator

Hunger Facts

Feeding South Dakota supplies more than 3,000 food boxes to hungry seniors each month through the Commodity Supplemental Food Program.

CSFP



The Commodity Supplemental Food Program is a USDA food program for people over 60 years of age that are at or below 130 percent of the Federal Poverty Income guidelines. Sioux Falls and Pierre Food Banks work with partner agencies to distribute the box of food once a month to individuals.

Contact Us:

If you are interested in learning more about CSFP, please contact:

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Newsletter

In addition to our agency newsletter, Feeding South Dakota publishes three organizational newsletters a year. Fill out the "Newsletter Sign-Up" form on the homepage of our website to have this newsletter delivered to your email.

Delivery Dates

Monday:

3/6: Avon, Wagner, Marty, Lake Andes CSFP, Armour CSFP, Parkston
3/13: Brookings
3/20: Brookings
3/27: Flandreau, Brookings CSFP, Oldham, DeSmet

Tuesday:

3/7: Wakonda, Irene, Freeman, Bridgewater, Yankton, Huron CSFP, Wessington
3/14: Yankton CSFP, Wakonda, Tyndall CSFP, Scotland CSFP, Wessington Springs, Woonsocket CSFP, Mitchell CSFP
3/21: Wakonda, Irene, Yankton, Freeman CSFP, Bridgewater
3/28: Wakonda, Yankton, Tabor

Thursday:

3/2: Beresford, Vermillion, Summit, Waubay, Webster CSFP, Roslyn, Claremont
3/9: Beresford CSFP, Vermillion CSFP, N. Sioux City CSFP, Elk Point CSFP, Milbank CSFP, Wilmot, Agency Village CSFP, Sisseton CSFP, Rosholt
3/16: Beresford, Vermillion, Salem, Howard CSFP, Madison CSFP
3/23: Beresford, Vermillion, Lake Norden, Watertown CSFP, Clark CSFP
3/30: Beresford, Vermillion

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Notes from Operations

When picking up at the Sioux Falls Food Bank, enter through the warehouse door on the south side and notify someone in the office. Please stay in the loading area as safety rules prohibit any visitors from going into the warehouse. Orders may be picked up on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday between 9:00 am and 2:00 pm. Orders not picked up within 24 hours will be returned to inventory. No matter the distance or time of year, PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING COOLERS AND FREEZER BLANKETS TO TRANSPORT ANY FROZEN OR REFRIGERATED PRODUCT!

New Items & Specials

The online menu now has pictures for you to view and includes more product details. Just click on the camera icon.



Product Details	
00005503 - BAK - Assorted Bakery Items	
Category: Donated Product	Storage: Frozen
Second Harvest Type: Retail-Wholesale (Don)	Packaging: Order by the Pound
On Hand: 450	Unit Weight: 1
Unit Measure: LB	Qty Per Pallet: 1
Price Per: \$0.00	
Description: Pierre and Rapid City Agencies - Order how many pounds you would like. Make special requests in the comments during checkout. Sioux Falls Agencies - Packing - 20 lbs bread 15 lbs Pastry	



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