



Food and Nutrition Service

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SUBJECT: The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP): Allocation of Supplemental Food and Administrative Funds from Division B of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act)

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Body of guidance document follows.	

On March 27th, 2020 the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) (P.L. 116-136) was signed into law. Division B, Title 1, Office of the Secretary, of the legislation provides supplemental funding for USDA to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus by providing support for agricultural producers impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. From this supplemental funding, \$500 million will be available as supplemental funding for The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) in Fiscal Year (FY) 2022. TEFAP State agencies will be able to accept up to \$100 million of that amount as administrative funds, and all remaining funds will be available for food purchases.

The list of food products to be offered for purchase with these food funds will be determined by the Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) in conjunction with FNS. Food products are expected to be offered to State agencies through a fair share process based on the TEFAP allocation formula located in 7 CFR Part 251.3(h), in the same way that Section 32 Bonus and Food Purchase and Distribution Program foods have been offered. The anticipated timeframe for product delivery is January through at least September 2022; it is expected that most items offered will require freezer or cooler storage. Initial food offers will be made during the last

quarter of FY21.

The Division B supplemental administrative funds are expected to be made available to State agencies in early FY22 in the amounts requested by State agencies from their allocations. Please see the attached TEFAP funding worksheet, which provides each State's available share of the supplemental administrative funds. State agencies must report to their respective FNS Regional Offices whether they will accept any or all of their share of these funds. Any funds not accepted will be used for food purchases and will be fair shared among all States. **States must submit the total amount of administrative funds that they will accept by August 18, 2021.**

State agencies should also be aware that the 40 percent pass-through requirement for TEFAP administrative funding will apply to these supplemental administrative funds, as will the State matching requirement for any funds not passed through to emergency feeding organizations. These funds will be available for the same purposes as regular TEFAP administrative funds, per 7 CFR 251.8(e), and will not be restricted to costs specifically associated with the Division B purchased foods.

The period of performance for these funds will be from October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022. States will need to separately report on these administrative funds from their normal reporting for TEFAP. Further guidance on reporting will follow.

TEFAP State agencies with questions may contact their respective FNS Regional Office; Regional Office staff with questions may contact Rachel Schoenian.

/s/ Original Signature on File

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Attachment

TEFAP ALLOCATION WORKSHEET #10

FY2021 The Emergency Food Assistance Program Build Back Better Supplemental Funds Available as Administrative Funds under Division B of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES)

REGION/STATE	AVG. # OF PERSONS UNEMPLOYED OCT19 to		AVG. # OF PERSONS BELOW POVERTY LEVEL		WEIGHTED INDEX POVERTY 60% UNEMPLOY. 40%	Total Build Back Better Supplemental Funds Available as Administrative Funds
	JUL20	UNEMPLOYMENT INDEX	IN CY2019	POVERTY INDEX		
NORTHEAST						
Connecticut	112,854	0.9759%	347,149	0.8476%	0.8989%	\$898,941
Maine	37,131	0.3211%	141,803	0.3462%	0.3362%	\$336,181
Massachusetts	302,705	2.6176%	625,763	1.5280%	1.9638%	\$1,963,800
New Hampshire	47,945	0.4146%	95,711	0.2337%	0.3061%	\$306,058
New York	792,586	6.8537%	2,467,006	6.0238%	6.3558%	\$6,355,759
Rhode Island	43,618	0.3772%	110,244	0.2692%	0.3124%	\$312,383
Vermont	21,450	0.1855%	60,897	0.1487%	0.1634%	\$163,410
Virgin Islands	4,700	0.0406%	23,623	0.0577%	0.0509%	\$50,866
TOTAL-NERO	1,362,989	11.7861%	3,872,196	9.4549%	10.3874%	\$10,387,398
MID-ATLANTIC						
Delaware	37,944	0.3281%	106,383	0.2598%	0.2871%	\$287,101
District of Columbia	28,250	0.2443%	90,534	0.2211%	0.2304%	\$230,351
Maryland	180,554	1.5613%	532,241	1.2996%	1.4043%	\$1,404,277
New Jersey	386,264	3.3401%	798,262	1.9492%	2.5055%	\$2,505,541
Pennsylvania	545,348	4.7158%	1,489,333	3.6366%	4.0682%	\$4,068,249
Puerto Rico	91,118	0.7879%	1,376,809	3.3618%	2.3323%	\$2,332,259
Virginia	229,929	1.9883%	822,775	2.0090%	2.0007%	\$2,000,707
West Virginia	63,331	0.5476%	278,734	0.6806%	0.6274%	\$627,414
TOTAL-MARO	1,562,738	13.5134%	5,495,071	13.4176%	13.4559%	\$13,455,899
SOUTHEAST						
Alabama	123,365	1.0668%	739,108	1.8047%	1.5095%	\$1,509,536
Florida	669,686	5.7909%	2,664,772	6.5067%	6.2204%	\$6,220,397
Georgia	287,331	2.4846%	1,373,909	3.3547%	3.0067%	\$3,006,692
Kentucky	128,395	1.1103%	703,627	1.7181%	1.4750%	\$1,474,953
Mississippi	95,746	0.8279%	564,192	1.3776%	1.1577%	\$1,157,744
North Carolina	313,519	2.7111%	1,386,122	3.3846%	3.1152%	\$3,115,167
South Carolina	138,938	1.2014%	692,744	1.6915%	1.4955%	\$1,495,476
Tennessee	214,682	1.8564%	922,176	2.2517%	2.0936%	\$2,093,596
TOTAL-SERO	1,971,662	17.0495%	9,046,650	22.0896%	20.0736%	\$20,073,561
MIDWEST						
Illinois	509,553	4.4062%	1,420,542	3.4686%	3.8437%	\$3,843,656
Indiana	224,731	1.9433%	775,823	1.8944%	1.9139%	\$1,913,940
Iowa	91,258	0.7891%	341,613	0.8341%	0.8161%	\$816,132
Michigan	442,334	3.8250%	1,269,062	3.0987%	3.3892%	\$3,389,227
Minnesota	166,378	1.4387%	494,683	1.2079%	1.3002%	\$1,300,219
Ohio	446,812	3.8637%	1,484,862	3.6257%	3.7209%	\$3,720,873

Wisconsin	191,016	1.6518%	591,486	1.4443%	1.5273%	\$1,527,261
TOTAL-MWRO	2,072,082	17.9178%	6,378,071	15.5736%	16.5113%	\$16,511,308
SOUTHWEST						
Arizona	255,633	2.2105%	958,442	2.3403%	2.2884%	\$2,288,373
Arkansas	77,979	0.6743%	474,739	1.1592%	0.9652%	\$965,237
Louisiana	164,984	1.4267%	857,894	2.0948%	1.8275%	\$1,827,519
New Mexico	67,403	0.5829%	373,230	0.9113%	0.7799%	\$779,940
Oklahoma	109,228	0.9445%	583,029	1.4236%	1.2320%	\$1,231,974
Texas	895,759	7.7459%	3,865,010	9.4374%	8.7608%	\$8,760,767
Utah	72,518	0.6271%	281,279	0.6868%	0.6629%	\$662,920
TOTAL-SWRO	1,643,504	14.2118%	7,393,623	18.0534%	16.5167%	\$16,516,730
MOUNTAIN PLAINS						
Colorado	181,813	1.5722%	526,979	1.2867%	1.4009%	\$1,400,923
Kansas	82,563	0.7139%	323,189	0.7891%	0.7591%	\$759,065
Missouri	171,973	1.4871%	770,175	1.8806%	1.7232%	\$1,723,181
Montana	29,510	0.2552%	131,882	0.3220%	0.2953%	\$295,286
Nebraska	45,321	0.3919%	185,761	0.4536%	0.4289%	\$428,910
North Dakota	18,535	0.1603%	78,112	0.1907%	0.1785%	\$178,549
South Dakota	25,183	0.2178%	101,946	0.2489%	0.2365%	\$236,461
Wyoming	16,276	0.1407%	56,945	0.1390%	0.1397%	\$139,724
TOTAL-MPRO	571,174	4.9391%	2,174,989	5.3108%	5.1621%	\$5,162,099
WESTERN						
Alaska	29,334	0.2537%	71,938	0.1757%	0.2069%	\$206,856
California	1,628,778	14.0845%	4,552,837	11.1169%	12.3039%	\$12,303,908
Guam	5,716	0.0494%	35,848	0.0875%	0.0723%	\$72,290
Hawaii	57,351	0.4959%	128,722	0.3143%	0.3870%	\$386,955
Idaho	42,750	0.3697%	195,984	0.4785%	0.4350%	\$434,994
Nevada	160,912	1.3914%	379,564	0.9268%	1.1127%	\$1,112,658
N Mariana Isl.	3,123	0.0270%	27,921	0.0682%	0.0517%	\$51,708
Oregon	150,818	1.3042%	470,643	1.1492%	1.2112%	\$1,211,179
Washington	301,431	2.6066%	730,240	1.7831%	2.1125%	\$2,112,457
TOTAL-WRO	2,380,213	20.5823%	6,593,697	16.1001%	17.8930%	\$17,893,005
NATIONAL TOTAL	11,564,362	100.0000%	40,954,297	100.0000%	100.0000%	\$100,000,000

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