



GNAP Foods

Georgia Nutrition Assistance Program



What is GNAP?

- Stands for the Georgia Nutrition Assistance Program
- Georgia General Assembly and Department of Human Resources contracts with the Georgia Food Banks to provide food assistance to TANF eligible clients and their children
- Funded through federal TANF money



Why GNAP ?

- Allows the Georgia food banks to purchase high-demand groceries
- Assists DHR in determining the number of low-income, TANF eligible families that need food assistance



Which agencies are eligible?

- Only agencies that serve a large percentage of children may participate in GNAP
 - Food pantries
 - Child care centers
 - After-school programs
 - Family shelters
 - Group homes for children



What foods are available?

- Tuna
- Peanut butter
- Frozen chicken quarters
- Canned Beef Ravioli
- Frozen lasagna
- Canned peaches
- Canned fruit salad
- 100% fruit juice
- Frozen Turkey
- Canned chicken noodle soup
- Beef hotdogs

This is not a shopping list. Items are not guaranteed to be stock.



Storage

- Separate AND label GNAP product



Which clients are eligible At Food Pantries?

- Only families with children
- Clients must show at least one document to verify eligibility for GNAP foods
- Examples of documents showing eligibility include:
 - TANF EBT Card
 - TANF eligibility letter from DFCS
 - Food Stamp EBT card or WIC card
 - Public housing resident or Section 8 tenant
 - Medicaid card or Peachcare for Kids card
 - Child care voucher
- **Adults without children cannot receive GNAP foods**



What about record keeping for Food Pantries?

- There is a separate report for GNAP food usage:
 1. Indicate the number of families receiving GNAP
 2. Type of eligibility for food pantry families
 3. At-risk, TANF, or Transitional TANF
- Reports are due by the 9th day of each month(ex: November's report is due on December 9)



Defining TANF Families

- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program
- Provides cash assistance for no more than 48 months
- Ways to identify TANF families:
 - TANF EBT card
 - TANF eligibility letter from DFCS
 - Food Stamp EBT card



Defining TANF Transitional Families

- After 48-month period, TANF family may be given additional support services
- Ways to identify TANF Transitional Families:
 - Child care voucher
 - Transportation assistance
 - Job skills classes
 - Work uniforms
 - Food Stamp EBT card



Defining at-risk families

- Low-income families at-risk of needing TANF cash assistance
- Ways to identify at-risk families:
 - Eligible for USDA commodities
 - Public housing resident or Section 8 tenant
 - WIC card or low-income family w/infant
 - Medicaid and/or Peachcare for Kids card
 - Free/reduced price school meals
 - Hourly wages of \$8 or less
 - No employment, applying for TANF/Food Stamps



What about record keeping for On Premise Use?

- Only Children can receive GNAP meals
- Be able to provide verifiable data regarding the number of meals using TEFAP food as ingredients
- See sample menu in packet
- Reports are due by the 9th day of each month(ex: November's report is due on December 9)



Eharvest Reporting

Report Date: February 2015 Agency Code: C7300

Agency Name: Sweetwater Mission Inc

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Pantry/Grocery Programs:

1. Number of TANF families

2. Number of Transitional TANF families

3. Number of at-risk families

Total:

On Premise/Congregate Feeding Programs:

1. Total number of meals served during GNAP foods as ingredients:



Glossary

- **FA (Feeding America)** umbrella organization for certified food banks. Offices are located in Chicago.
- **EBT (Electronic Benefit Transfer)** Debit card to purchase food products and cash benefits.
- **GFBA (The Georgia Food Bank Association)** is comprised of seven regional food banks who are part of the **Feeding America** network.



Glossary

- **SNAP aka Food Stamps** (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) federal nutrition assistance program that provides support to families and individuals in need.
- **TANF** (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) the time-limited welfare reform programs for adults with children and provide monthly cash benefits to families for food, clothing, shelter, and other essentials.

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Glossary

- **WIC** (Women, Infants and Children Program) healthcare and nutrition of low-income pregnant women, breastfeeding women, and infants and children under the age of five.



Questions?

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