



THE EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (TEFAP) - PROXY STATEMENT
FY2026 INCOME ELIGIBILITY BASED ON 300% OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY GUIDELINE

This form must be presented at the distribution site by the proxy picking up TEFAP food for the participant. Proxies may be assigned in cases where there is undue hardship for the TEFAP participant to pick up food.

TEFAP Participant _____ Household Size:

Residence: Do you reside within the pantry service area? Number of children in household 18 years or younger?

If "No", then enter your zip code or county of residence: SNAP Recipient Yes No

DHS MAXIMUM MONTHLY GROSS INCOME FOR RECEIPT OF USDA FOODS										
Household Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Monthly Income	\$3,913	\$5,288	\$6,663	\$8,038	\$9,413	\$10,788	\$12,163	\$13,538	\$14,913	\$16,288
For households with more than 10 persons, add \$1,375 for each additional person up to 300% FPL.										

Name of Proxy: _____

Name of Pantry: _____

Address of Pantry: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

CERTIFY WITH MY SIGNATURE THAT: My household monthly gross income does not exceed DHS established limits; the information I have provided above is accurate and true; I will use food received for household consumption only; and I release USDA, the State of Illinois and any agency or person distributing food from all liabilities resulting from receipt of food.

Signature of TEFAP Participant Date _____

Signature of Proxy Date _____

Signature of Pantry Personnel Date _____

USDA Nondiscrimination Statement | Food and Nutrition Service: In accordance with federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity. Program information may be made available in languages other than English. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication to obtain program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language), should contact the responsible state or local agency that administers the program or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. To file a program discrimination complaint, a Complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form which can be obtained online at <https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/USDA-OASCR%20P-Complaint-Form-0508-0002-508-11-28-17Fax2Mail.pdf>, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by: mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or fax: (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or email: Program.Intake@usda.gov

Written Notice of Beneficiary Rights: This organization may not discriminate against beneficiaries or prospective beneficiaries on the basis of religion, a religious belief, a refusal to hold a religious belief, or a refusal to attend or participate in a religious practice. This organization may not require beneficiaries or prospective beneficiaries to attend or participate in any explicitly religious activities that are offered by the organization, and any participation by beneficiaries or prospective beneficiaries in such activities must be purely voluntary. This organization must separate in time or location any privately funded explicitly religious activities from activities supported by direct federal assistance. Beneficiaries or prospective beneficiaries may report violations of these protections (including denials of services or benefits) by an organization by contacting or filing a written complaint with USDA's Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.