

# The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP)

## Partnership Opportunity

Are you a public or private non-profit organization looking for a partnership opportunity to help alleviate hunger in your community?

We would love to partner with you to make a difference in our community! We are looking for partners with proof of active 501(c)(3) status who:

- Are located within our approved service areas\*
- Can ensure their site meets all necessary safety standards and is welcoming and accessible to everyone
- Have the capacity to store both perishable and nonperishable food items (preferred)
- Can coordinate food distributions or operate a soup kitchen to support those in need (at least once a month)
- Can follow rigorous food safety and handling practices to meet health and safety standards
- Can accept occasional visits from the OC Food Bank and thirdparty inspectors as part of our commitment to quality
- Can maintain accurate records and submit timely reports as required
- Can participate in regular training sessions and meetings to stay informed on best practices and program updates



#### \*Orange County Food Bank approved TEFAP service areas:

\*Aliso Viejo, Costa Mesa, El Toro, Emerald Bay, Fountain Valley, Huntington Beach, Irvine, Laguna Beach, Laguna Hills, Laguna Niguel, Laguna Woods, Lake Forest, Midway City, Mission Viejo, Newport Beach, Rancho Santa Margarita, Santa Ana, Seal Beach, South Laguna, and Westminster

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#### What is TEFAP?

TEFAP is a federal program that helps supplement the diets of low-income Americans by providing them with emergency food assistance at no cost. While the food might vary, it is all high-quality food.



### What are TEFAP Commodities?

TEFAP offers up to approximately 25 food items monthly. The following are examples of some of the foods that might be provided (varies):

Dried beans, fresh & dried fruits, canned & frozen vegetables, fruit/vegetable juice, eggs, meat (when available), poultry, fish, nuts, milk, cheese, and whole grain and enriched products, including rice, cereal and pasta.

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