



# Media Advisory

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## THE CAPITAL AREA FOOD BANK PARTICIPATES IN THE MD FREE SUMMER MEALS PROGRAM

**Funded by US Department of Agriculture**

**Meals will be provided to all eligible children free of charge**

Washington, DC, June 19, 2014 – Following a long tradition, the Capital Area Food Bank today announced that it will once again provide a feeding program to children throughout the Washington metro area. The Summer Food Service Program, for which the food bank will be an acting program sponsor, is funded by the US Department of Agriculture.

According to the most recent hunger statistics provided by the 2010 U.S. Census, 14.3 % of the 983,930 children who reside in the Capital Area Food Bank’s service area of Washington, DC; Northern Virginia; and Montgomery and Prince George’s counties in Maryland are at risk of hunger. In DC alone, 30.7 percent of the children are food insecure.

During the school year, the Capital Area Food Bank operates afterschool and weekend meals programs called Kids Cafe® and Weekend Bag. Both of these programs fill meal gaps, supplementing school-based federal free or reduced price breakfasts and lunches. Kids Cafe provides afterschool snacks and dinners to children at risk of hunger Monday through Friday. Meal service is extended in the summertime with many sites offering daily breakfasts, lunches, snacks and suppers. Weekend Bag provides bags of pantry staples and fresh produce for children and their families over the weekend when school is out of session.

The Capital Area Food Bank, a member of Feeding America, was founded on January 15, Martin Luther King’s birthday in 1980, and takes a comprehensive approach to addressing hunger by increasing access to nutritious food, initiating lifestyle change through skill-building and advocacy and creating sustainability with outreach and training for those at risk of hunger. The CAFB is the Washington metro area’s largest nonprofit food and nutrition education resource. To learn more, go to [www.capitalareafoodbank.org](http://www.capitalareafoodbank.org).

Children who are part of households that receive benefits through the Food Supplement Program or Temporary Cash Assistance (TCA) are automatically eligible to receive free meals. (To be eligible to receive free meals at a residential or non-residential camp, children must meet the income guidelines listed below for reduced-price meals in the National School Lunch Program).

### SFSP INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES (Effective from July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014)

Household Size	Reduced-Price Meals		
	Year	Month	Week
1	\$21,257	\$1,772	\$409
2	28,694	2,392	552
3	36,131	3,011	695
4	43,568	3,631	838
5	51,005	4,251	981
6	58,442	4,871	1,124
7	65,879	5,490	1,267
8	73,316	6,110	1,410
For each additional family member add...	\$ 7,437	\$ 620	\$ 144

Acceptance and participation requirements for the Program and all activities are the same for all regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability, and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service. Meals will be provided at the sites and time as follows:

Agency Name	Address	City	State	Zip	Operation Days	Start Date	End Date	Meal Type	Meal Times
<b>Glenarden Woods</b> Community Center	7941 Johnson Ave	Glenarden	MD	20706	M-F	06.16.14	08.25.14	Snack Supper	02:00pm 02:30pm 05:00pm 05:45pm
<b>Glenreed</b> Community Center	3201 Reed St	Lanham	MD	20706	M-F	06.16.14	08.25.14	Snack Supper	snack time to come 04:30pm 05:30pm
<b>Park Forest</b> Resource Center	707 Audrey Ln	Oxon Hill	MD	20745	M-F	06.16.14	08.25.14	Snack Supper	02:00pm 02:30pm 05:00pm 05:45pm
<b>Queenstown</b> Community Center	3103 Queens Chapel Rd	Mount Rainier	MD	20712	M-F	06.16.14	08.25.14	Snack Supper	02:00pm 02:30pm 05:00pm 05:45pm
<b>Rock Creek Terrace</b> Community Center	12630 Veirs Mill Ave	Rockville	MD	20860	M-F	06.16.14	08.22.14	Snack Supper	03:00pm 03:30pm 05:00pm 05:30pm
<b>Summer Ridge</b> Community Center	1837 Belle Haven Dr	Landover	MD	20785	M-F	06.16.14	08.25.14	Snack Supper	02:00pm 02:30pm 05:00pm 05:45pm
<b>The Willows</b> Community Center	420 West Diamond Ave	Gaithersburg	MD	20877	M-F	06.16.14	08.22.14	Snack Supper	02:00pm 02:30pm 04:30pm 05:00pm

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