



## Media Advisory

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### CAPITAL AREA FOOD BANK ANNOUNCES FREE SUMMER MEALS FOR CHILDREN IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

*Funded by USDA, meals will be provided to children free of charge*

Washington, DC, 5/23/17 – Summer is a hard time for children who rely on school meals to receive the balanced nutrition they need to thrive. Continuing its commitment to providing access to good food in every community, the Capital Area Food Bank has announced that it will once again provide free summer meals to children throughout the Washington metro area. The Free Summer Meals Program (FSMP), for which the food bank will be an acting program sponsor, is funded by the US Department of Agriculture.

Over 137,000 residents of Prince George's County struggle to get the food they need; of those, 15% are children. Food insecure children are more likely to experience stomachaches, headaches, colds, ear infections, and fatigue. They are sick more often, recover more slowly, and are more likely to be hospitalized.

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, lunches, afterschool snacks and dinners. Meal service is extended in the summertime with many sites offering daily breakfasts, lunches, snacks and suppers. Additionally, the CAFB's Weekend Bag program provides bags of pantry staples and fresh produce for children and their families over the weekend when school is out of session.

#### About the Capital Area Food Bank

The Capital Area Food Bank is the largest organization in the Washington metro area working to solve hunger and its companion problems: chronic undernutrition, heart disease and obesity. By partnering with nearly 450 community organizations in DC, Maryland and Virginia, as well as delivering food directly into hard to reach areas, the CAFB is helping 540,000 people each year get access to good, healthy food. That's 12 percent of our region's mothers, fathers, sons, daughters, sisters, brothers, and grandparents. To learn more, visit: [capitalareafoodbank.org](http://capitalareafoodbank.org), or find the Capital Area Food Bank on Facebook at [facebook.com/CapitalAreaFoodBank](https://www.facebook.com/CapitalAreaFoodBank), and Twitter at [@foodbankmetrodc](https://twitter.com/foodbankmetrodc).

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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 provided at the sites and time as follows:

	Street Address	City	ZIP	Days of Week	Breakfast/Snack Meal Time	Lunch/Supper Meal Time
Agape Early Development Center	4318 Rhode Island Avenue	Brentwood	20722	Mon - Fri	8:30 - 8:45 AM	11:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Bladensburg Community Center	4500 57TH AVE	BLADENSBURG	20710	Mon - Fri		11:00 - 11:30 AM
Cedar Heights Community Center	1200 GLEN WILLOW DRIVE	SEAT PLEASANT	20747	Fri - Sat		9:30 - 11:00 PM
College Park Community Center	5051 PIERCE STREET	COLLEGE PARK	20740	Mon - Fri		12:00 - 1:15 PM
Glassmanor Community Center	1101 MARCY AVE	OXON HILL	20745	Mon - Sat		9:30 - 10:30 PM
Glenarden Community Center	8615 McLain Ave	GLENARDEN	20706	Mon - Sat		9:00 - 11:00 PM
John E Howard Community Center	4400 Shell Street	CAPITOL HEIGHTS	20743	Fri - Sat		9:30 - 10:30 PM
Kentland Community Center	2411 PINEBROOK AVE	LANDOVER	20785	Mon - Sat		10:00 - 10:45 PM
Langley Park Community Center	1500 MERRIMAC DRIVE	HYATTSVILLE	20783	Thurs, Fri	4:00 - 4:15 PM	10:00 - 10:30 PM
Marlow Heights Community Center	2800 ST CLAIR DRIVE	TEMPLE HILLS	20748	Mon - Thurs, Sat	3:00 - 4:00 PM	8:30 - 10:00 PM
Oakcrest Community Center	1300 CAPITAL HEIGHTS BLVD	CAPITAL HEIGHTS	20743	Mon - Thurs		10:30 - 11:00 PM
Palmer Park Community Center	7720 Barlowe Rd.	LANDOVER	20785	Mon - Sat		9:00 - 9:30 PM
Park Forest	707 Audrey Lane	Oxon Hill	20745	Mon - Fri	9:00 - 10:00 AM	5:00 - 5:45 PM
Seat Pleasant Community Center	5720 ADDISON ROAD	CAPITOL HEIGHTS	20743	Mon - Thurs		10:00 - 11:00 PM
SEED Summer Bridges	5819 East Pine Drive	Riverdale	20737	Mon - Fri	9:00 - 9:30 AM	11:30 AM - 12:00 PM

\*All times approximate and subject to change. For up-to-date information about where to find free Summer Meals, please visit <http://www.fns.usda.gov/summerfoodrocks>

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Washington, D.C. 20250-9410

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