

Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP)

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Program Overview

The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) provides food to needy persons through emergency food box and congregate meal sites. Oregon Housing and Community Services (OHCS) is responsible for administering TEFAP and contracts with Oregon Food Bank to deliver the services. The Oregon Food Bank coordinates statewide distribution through regional food banks and hunger relief agencies.

Eligibility Requirements

Low-income individuals and families in need of food assistance are eligible. Household income cannot exceed 185 percent of the federal poverty guideline. People participating in the following programs are also eligible:

- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP);
- Women, Infants and Children Supplemental Nutrition Program (WIC);
- Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
- Temporary Assistance to Needy Families Program (TEFAP);
- Free or Reduced School Lunch Program; or
- Social Security Disability or SSI income.

See Federal Poverty Guidelines at <http://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty/> and multiply the most current year's guidelines by 185 percent (or 1.85).

Additional Program Information

Oregon Housing and Community Services is actively involved with the Interagency Coordinating Council on Hunger to implement recommendations of the Hunger Task Force and help ensure that state food and nutrition programs operate efficiently and effectively. You can learn more at <http://oregonhunger.org/>

For More Information

To talk with someone about resources and services in your local area or county, contact your local community action agency at: <http://www.caporegon.org/members.htm>

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