

Payment Notice

CACFP Emergency Operational Costs Reimbursement

The Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) is administering the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) Emergency Operational Costs (EOC) Reimbursement Program to provide additional funding to eligible local operators whose revenue declined or was temporarily interrupted during the early months of the pandemic.

Sponsors of unaffiliated sites who are eligible for a CACFP EOC reimbursement should expect to receive a payment as early as mid-September. Funds should be deposited into the Nonprofit Food Service account and be used in accordance with normal program requirements including prior approval for qualifying procurements. While funds do not need to be tracked separately from other CACFP reimbursements, CEs must maintain documentation that funds were used solely for allowable program costs.



Payment will include a reference to EOC2021 CACFP UNAFF Pmt CE (ID#) in the description or reference line, depending on your accounting and banking system.

The sponsoring organization is responsible for disbursing the additional reimbursements owed to the individual unaffiliated sites under its sponsorship. TDA has calculated the payout for each site group (multiple variations of the same site in the data are combined into a site group) based on the statutory formula and has published a list on SquareMeals.org. TDA's calculations are inclusive of the sponsor's administrative funds. Therefore, TDA anticipates that payments to sites will be up to 15% lower than the amount listed on the website consistent with the sponsor's most recent agreement with the site.





Payment is made by TDA to the sponsor that filed the most recent claim on behalf of the unaffiliated site group. If an EOC Eligible site has since terminated program participation, they are no longer eligible for the EOC program. Sponsors must document this occurrence and return the individual site passthrough funds to TDA. If the site is no longer under your sponsorship, you must attempt to contact the site to: 1. Confirm continued participation in CACFP and 2. Notify them of the payment. This does not need to occur within the standard 5 day payment window.

All payments to your sites must be documented for recordkeeping purposes. This reimbursement is only for those EOC eligible and does not include those site groups that required assurance statements.

To comply with federal reporting requirements, TDA will follow up with a survey this Fall requesting a high-level summary of your planned and eventual use of funds. Response to this survey is required. For additional information, please visit SquareMeals.org or email EOC@TexasAgriculture.org



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