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August 2025 Monthly Newsletter

TDA Granted Commodity Supplemental Food Program Waiver

On June 25, 2025, the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) was granted a waiver from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to allow partner agency food banks to provide a Commodity Supplemental Food Program package to eligible seniors without the meat component due to current disruptions in inventory levels. TDA also will distribute the meat, poultry, and fish components retroactively once sufficient inventory is available. TDA will distribute incomplete food packages until sufficient inventory is restored.

Join us for the August "TANS Talk!"

Mark your calendar for Thursday, August 14 from 1 p.m. - 2 p.m. (CDT)!

TANS Talk is an office hours session that will allow CEs to review TANS related updates. We are excited to share all of the new updates about this platform and answer any questions.

How to Participate in TANS Talk:

Use this <u>TANS Talk Feedback Form</u> to submit any TANS questions you would like to see reviewed during the call. Please note that the *Feedback Form will close on Wednesday, August 20 at 5 p.m. (CDT)* to give our team time to prepare for the meeting. Visit the <u>TANS homepage</u> and <u>Resources page</u> for access to past TANS Talks, updates, trainings, and more.

USDA Foods Ordering Updates

CSFP Highlights

- TDA finalized Calendar Year (CY) 2025 orders in WBSCM by June 13, 2025, covering delivery periods from October through December 2025.
- Supplemental Multi-Food shipments have been placed to supplement Texas' supply of small-can animal protein and pasta/rice components.
- Per USDA Food and Nutrition Service guidance, food banks must be prepared to receive Multi-Food deliveries on the "Required Delivery Date" noted on each Sales Order. TDA will continue to notify food banks of approved orders in advance.
- Use the Multi-Food Requisition Report to monitor activity and set delivery period parameters for calendar year (CY) 2025: 01/01/2025 through 12/31/2025.

TEFAP Highlights

- Food bank requisitions were rolled up in WBSCM by June 18, 2025, covering deliveries from October through December 2025.
- Generate the WBSCM Entitlement/Bonus Summary Report periodically to track your entitlement balance and commit toward available catalog materials.
- USDA updates for program year 2026 are pending. Orders will be due in September, with deliveries expected from January through March 2026.

CSFP & TEFAP – Shared Reporting Reminder

- Generate the WBSCM Requisition Status Report routinely to update your records.
- Focus on Sales Order Status and Material Quantities.
- Use search dates for CY 2025: 01/01/2025 through 12/31/2025.





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