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"SPONSOR NAME HERE" WILL SERVE UP GOOD NUTRITION FOR LOCAL CHILDREN THIS SUMMER.

Bringing healthy summer meals to "Community Name Here" children ensures kids have a healthy vacation and return to school ready to learn.

"City Name Here" – This summer, "Sponsor Name Here" will connect children 18 and younger and enrolled student with disabilities up to 21 years old with healthy, no cost summer meals. The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) is a U.S. Department of Agriculture nutrition program administered in the Lone Star State by the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA). For the children who rely on school meals during the academic year, these meals offer a source of good nutrition when school is out for the long summer vacation.

""City Name Here" children need good nutrition year-round so they can learn, grow and succeed in life," said "Sponsor Representative's Name and Title Here". "With nearly 2 million food insecure children living in Texas, these healthy meals are vital to nourishing young Texans during the summer vacation."

"Add details specific to your Summer Meal Programs, including kick-off events along with any information not subject to change"

"Sponsor Name Here" is one of the is one of the nonprofit organizations partnering with TDA to serve meals across Texas. Families are encouraged to use these three tools to find a meal site anywhere in the state:

- Call 2-1-1 to speak to a live operator
- Visit www.SummerFood.org for an interactive site locator map
- Text FOODTX or COMIDA to 877-877

Organizations partner with TDA to serve meals in areas where more than 50 percent of children are eligible for free or reduced-price meals in the National School Lunch Program. Eligible sponsoring organizations include schools, faith-based groups, nonprofit summer camps, government agencies and other tax-exempt organizations. All meal sites must be sponsored by an organization that has a contract with TDA.

Summer meal sites help children succeed by providing the nourishment they need to return to school in the fall ready to thrive.

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