The Texas Department of Agriculture supports local food banks and food pantries serving the public through The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP).

The program provides nutritious foods at no cost to low-income Texans while supporting United States agriculture producers.

**How to Get TEFAP Food?**

1. Contact a food bank near you to find a site distributing TEFAP food. Visit [SquareMeals.org/TXFoodBanks](http://SquareMeals.org/TXFoodBanks) or scan the QR code to see participating Texas food Banks.

2. Go to the recommended location during their hours of operation and ask to apply for TEFAP.

3. Meet with a staff member to complete TEFAP application process.
   - For the application you will need to provide your name, address, phone number, current public assistance received, and total household income.
   - Staff will also have information about other food programs you may qualify for.

4. Food bank staff will provide further instructions for food pick up.

TEFAP food is available on a first come, first served basis. TEFAP food may include additional food the food pantry purchases or received through donations. Staff members and volunteers at the site will be available to answer questions and assist with loading food into vehicles, if needed.