



Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning

2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, SE, Suite 754, East Tower, Atlanta, GA 30334
(404) 656-5957

Nathan Deal
Governor

Bobby D. Cagle, MSW
Commissioner

MEMORANDUM

To: All Institutions participating in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) and Sponsors participating in the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP)

From: Falita S. Flowers, Interim Director
Nutrition Services

Date: February 3, 2014

Re: FY 2014 CACFP and SFSP Grant Opportunity

Bright from the Start: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning (Bright from the Start) is offering a special grant program to help feed more children. Bright from the Start is partnering with the Georgia Food Bank Association's Feeding for a Promising Future - No Kid Hungry campaign to offer capital investment grants to entities participating in the CACFP and SFSP.

Grant awards ranging from \$4,000 to \$20,000 can be used for food preparation, equipment and supplies, storage, and delivery of meals and snacks. The deadline date for all grant applications is February 28, 2014.

To be eligible for the grant, sponsors must be approved to provide meals/snacks for summer 2014; experienced sponsors must agree to maintain prior year sites and meal service, and expand services by establishing a back pack program, serving more meals than served in the prior year; and/or to establish a mobile feeding site in the following counties: Baker, Ben Hill, Columbia, Early, Echols, Hancock, Haralson, Heard, Lee, Lincoln, Marion, Peach, Schley, Seminole, Stewart, Taliaferro, Taylor, Warren, and Webster.

Organizations can provide summer meals at churches, libraries, parks and recreation centers, summer camps, public housing communities, or any location in the local community where children congregate and play during the summer months; or can expand current meal service through a back pack program in eligible, approved after-school programs.

To obtain a copy of the grant application and supporting documents, please visit Bright from the Start's website at <http://www.decal.ga.gov/Nutrition/SFSPBrightFromTheStartMemos.aspx> or <http://www.decal.ga.gov/Nutrition/CACFPMemos.aspx>.

The grant application must be submitted electronically on or before February 28, 2014 to michele.chivore@georgiafoodbankassociation.org.

Bright from the Start's Nutrition Services Unit will host a Pre-Application webinar on Tuesday, February 11, 2014. Approved CACFP institutions and experienced SFSP sponsors can complete registration for this webinar via CNP 2000. New, interested institutions and/or sponsors must contact Leslie Truman at 404.657.1779 to complete registration.

To learn more about the Summer Food Service Program, contact DECAL's Nutrition Services Division, toll free at 1-855-550-SFSP (7377), or by email at SFSP@decal.ga.gov.

To ask questions about the grant application and funding, please contact Michele Chivore by email at michele.chivore@georgiafoodbankassociation.org.