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CNP 2000 will soon become the Georgia Atlas Nutrition Program. The Nutrition Services team has begun testing the new tool.

To fully support our institutions and sponsors, DECAL will begin using the new tool for the SFSP FY 2016 season.

“How to Complete the SFSP Application in GA Atlas” training will be available in February 2016 and “How to Complete the CACFP Application in GA Atlas” will be available in May 2016. These trainings will walk sponsors and institutions through GA Atlas and ensure a successful transition to the new tool.



Thank you again for all of your hard work and for another successful summer season!

• From the Desk of the Director •

Thank you for an amazing summer meal service!

Through your hard work and commitment to children and eligible adults in your local communities, you served approximately 4.9 million meals and snacks this summer at more than 1,700 meal sites in 100 counties across the state! As final claims are submitted, we look forward to exceeding more than five million meals and snacks. Thank you for partnering with DECAL and your local communities to provide access to healthy meals and snacks during the summer months. We are grateful for your support.

As you close out summer 2015, we encourage all SFSP sponsors to consider participating in the CACFP At-Risk/Afterschool Program. Summer camps that provide after school services during the school year that include an enrichment or educational component may be eligible to participate in CACFP and receive reimbursement for up to one meal and one snack served daily. We are holding “Transition from SFSP to CACFP At-Risk/Afterschool Program” training for sponsors to learn more about the differences between the programs and participation requirements.

In preparation for summer 2016, DECAL is diligently planning its 2nd Annual SFSP Summit, finalizing 2016 Annual SFSP training schedules and materials, developing better effective specialized training and technical assistance opportunities for you, and releasing our new electronic application, claim, and data system, GA ATLAS. More information will be provided as details are finalized.

The 2nd Annual SFSP Summit will be held Wednesday, January 20, 2016 at The Loudermilk Center in downtown Atlanta. You will soon receive a save the date notice and invitation.

Again, thank you for your support. We look forward to our continued successful partnership with you.

All the best,

Falita S. Flowers

• Summer Meals Progress •

We appreciate your hard work in making sure children across the state had access to free and nutritious summer meals!

To date, over 4.9 million meals have been served across 100 counties throughout the state.

Because of your efforts the following targeted counties had meal service: Atkinson, Baker, Columbia, Oconee and Pike. You reached 36% of our targeted counties. Thank you for your hard work!

Final summer numbers, along with 2016 targeted counties, will be included in next month's SFSP newsletter.

• Budget Revision Tips •

When submitting budget revisions, remember that changes must be made within 24 hours or three days of incurring costs. If the cost requires specific prior written approval, or is new, the 24 hour rule applies.

If changes resulting in a 25% variance are being made to existing costs, the three day-rule applies. Consult the Application Instruction Booklet (beginning on pg. 19) for guidance.

Make sure that budget revisions are necessary prior to submission. Upward adjustments submitted outside of the 24-hour or three-day period will be denied.

• SFSP Reconciliation Process •

In accordance with policy memo titled "[Simplified SFSP and Bright from the Start's Annual Year End Reconciliation Process](#)," all SFSP organizations are required to complete and submit the SFSP Annual Year End Reconciliation Form. The form can be found [here](#).

Submit completed forms to Valesia Jones at Valesia.Jones@decals.ga.gov or via fax to (770) 342-7985.

The completed SFSP Annual Year End Reconciliation Forms are due by Tuesday, September 15, 2015.

• We Want To Hear From You •



As summer comes to a close, we want to know how your 2015 SFSP experience went. To get insight into your summer meals season and uncover any obstacles or areas of opportunity for DECAL to address, we ask you to complete the survey below.

New/Returning Sponsors, click [here](#) to take the survey.

Experienced Sponsors, click [here](#) to take the survey.

The survey should take no more than 10 minutes, and your responses will be submitted anonymously. We will use this information to provide technical assistance and address the needs you identify. Thank you for your feedback.

If you have questions, please contact Shani Drake, Marketing & Outreach Manager at shani.drake@decals.ga.gov.