

10 Yorkton Court St. Paul MN 55117

Dear Family Child Care Provider:

Thank you for your participation in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP).

If you are a provider living in a Tier 2 area (lower reimbursement rates), it may be possible for your to receive Tier 1 (higher) rates for the Program meals you serve and to receive reimbursement for Program meals served to your own children under 13 years of age.

If you live in a Tier 1 area and receive the higher rates, it may be possible for you to receive reimbursement for Program meals served to your own children under 13 years of age.

Please read the enclosed "Instructions for Completing CACFP Provider Household Income Statement". If you believe your family would qualify because you already participate in a qualifying program (Supplemental Assistance Nutrition Program (SNAP), Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP), or Food Distribution Programs on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), or because your household income is at or below the amounts listed, complete and return to Adults & Childrens Alliance (ACA) a "Provider Household Income Statement".

Income Statements become effective no earlier than the first of the month in which all required information is received and approved by our office. For example, if your information is received and approved in our office June 3<sup>rd</sup>, June 1<sup>st</sup> is the earliest you could begin receiving Tier 1 rates.

**If your household participates in SNAP, MFIP or FDPIR**, you should complete sections 1, 2 and 4 on the Program Household Income Statement. Please note, Medical Assistance is not a qualifying program.

Send to our office your completed Provider Household Income Statement along with the following documentation:

- •SNAP, MFIP, or FDPIR certification notice showing the beginning and ending dates of the certification period;
- •Letter from SNAP or the Minnesota Department of Human Services saying your now receives SNAP or MFIP;
- •Letter from the Tribal Office stating you now receive benefits from FDPIR.

If your household income will allow you to receive Tier 1 rates and/or to claim mea reimbursement for your own children's meals, complete sections 1, 3, and 4 of the Provider Household Income Statement.

If you live in a Tier 1 area and are applying to claim meals for your own children, the completed Provider Household Income Statement is all you need to send to our office.

If you live in a Tier 2 area and are applying to receive Tier 1 rates you will also need to send in the following documentation:

- •Last year's income tax statement/forms IRS 1040 including Schedule C and Schedule 8829 (home use);
- •A copy of the previous month's pay stubs for each wage earner in your household. Frequency of pay must be shown on the pay stubs. If pay stubs are not available a completed Income Employer Documentation Form is needed.

If last year's taxes are not an accurate reflection of your current income (e.g. you did not day care last year, your got married, your spouse got a new job) you will need to send the following additional documentation to our office:

- •A completed Tier 1 Verification Documentation Worksheet based on the prior month's income and expenses;
- •All documentation to support the numbers you list on the Tier 1 Verification Documentation Worksheet (e.g. receipts, mortgage statements, bills, invoices).

Any Provider's Household Income Statement which is incomplete or does not contain sufficient documentation will be returned to you.

If you have any questions while completing your Provider Household Income Statement, please contact our office.

# Child and Adult Care Food Program – Homes Household Income Eligibility Guidelines for Tier I Eligibility July 1, 2023–June 30, 2024

Household Size	\$ Per Year	\$ Per Month	\$ Twice Per Month	\$ Per 2 Weeks	\$ Per Week			
1	26,973	2,248	1,124	1,038	519			
2	36,482	3,041	1,521	1,404	702			
3	45,991	3,833	1,917	1,769	885			
4	55,500	4,625	2,313	2,135	1,068			
5	65,009	5,418	2,709	2,501	1,251			
6	74,518	6,210	3,105	2,867	1,434			
7	84,027	7,003	3,502	3,232	1,616			
8	93,536	7,795	3,898	3,598	1,799			
Add for each additional household member	9,509	793	397	366	183			

Conversion to annual income: If an HIS form has incomes that are received at different frequencies, multiply each income by the appropriate number shown below. Add the annual incomes to determine the total annual household income.

#### To convert to annual income:

- Multiply monthly income times 12.
- Multiply twice-per-month income times 24.
- Multiply bi-weekly income times 26.
- Multiply weekly income times 52.



# How to Complete the Household Income Statement Form for Providers

Complete the Household Income Statement form if any of the following apply to your household:

- Any household member currently participates in the Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP), or the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), or the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), or
- The household includes one or more foster children (a welfare agency or court has legal responsibility for the child), or
- The total income of household members is within the guidelines shown below (gross earnings before deductions, not take-home pay). Do not include as income: foster care payments, federal education benefits, MFIP payments, or value of assistance received from SNAP, WIC, or FDPIR. Military: Do not include combat pay or assistance from the Military Privatized Housing Initiative. The income guidelines are effective from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

## **Maximum Total Income**

Household Size	\$ Per Year	\$ Per Month	\$ Twice Per Month	\$ Per 2 Weeks	\$ Per Week			
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#### 1 - Children

List all infants and children in the household and their birthdates. Attach an additional page if needed to list all children. Fill in circles to show which children are enrolled at the child care. If any children are foster children (a welfare agency or court has legal responsibility for the child), fill in the circle.

If any children have regular earnings, write in the amount of income and frequency. Do not write in an hourly wage. Do not include occasional earnings like babysitting or lawn mowing.

#### 2 - Case Number

If you or any other household member currently participates in SNAP, MFIP or FDPIR assistance programs, write in the case number and check the box to indicate which assistance program. Then go to number 4. If no one in your household participates in SNAP, MFIP or FDPIR, leave number 2 blank and continue to number 3.

NOTE: Benefits received from Child Care Assistance, Medical Assistance (MA), Women, Infants, and Children (WIC), and Person Master Index (PMI) numbers *do not* qualify for this purpose and cannot be reported on the Household Income Statement in number 2.

# 3 - Adults / Incomes / Last 4 Digits of Social Security Number

- List all adults living in the household (everyone not listed in number 1) whether related or not, such as grandparents, other relatives, or friends. Include any adult who is temporarily away from home, like a student away at college. Attach another page if necessary.
- List gross incomes before deductions, not take-home pay. Do not list an hourly wage rate. For adults with no income to report, enter a "0" or leave the section blank. This is your certification (promise) that there is no income to report for these adults.
- For each income, fill in a circle to show how often the income is received: each week, every other week, twice per month, or monthly.
- For farm or self-employment income only, list the net income per year or month after business expenses. A loss from farm or self-employment must be listed as 0 income and does not reduce other income.
- Last four digits of the Social Security number (SSN) The adult household member signing the form must provide the last four digits of their SSN or check the box if they do not have an SSN.

#### 4 – Signature and Contact Information

The provider must sign the form.

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# **Farmer or Self-Employed**

Income is your *net* income (after deducting business expenses) from farm or self-employment during the year, which is generally shown on Schedule C or F from the federal tax return. A loss from farm or self-employment must be listed as zero income and does not reduce other household income for the purpose of completing this form.

### **Seasonal Worker**

Income is your expected average gross income before deductions (not take-home pay) from seasonal work during the year. List your average gross income from seasonal work per month or other frequency.

# **Privacy Act Statement / How Information Is Used**

The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act requires the information on this form. You do not have to give this information but if you do not, we cannot approve your child for free or reduced-price school meals. You must include the last four digits of the Social Security number of the adult household member who signs the application. The last four digits of the Social Security number are not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child, or you provide a Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP), Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservation (FDPIR) assistance number, or you indicate that the adult household member signing the application does not have a Social Security number.

We will use your information to determine if your household meets program eligibility guidelines, and for administration and enforcement of the program.

# **Nondiscrimination Statement**

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