The Basics of the Summer Food Service Program

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Webinar Overview

- SFSP in Montana
- Communities and SFSP
- Program Structure and Funding
- Sponsors
- Sites
- How to Get Started
- MFBN and SFSP
- Conclusion
The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) provides meals at no cost to children in high needs areas. Sponsors are reimbursed for meals on a monthly basis.
SFSP in Montana

Meals Served

• 632,904 total meals served in 2016
• 571,087 total meals served in 2015
• Increase of nearly 62,000

Sponsors

• 224 Meal Sites in 2016
• 196 Meal Sites in 2015
• 16 counties in 2016 had no SFSP site
Communities and SFSP

- Raise awareness of existing sites
- Volunteer
- Mobilize your community
- Sponsor a Site
- Support enrichment activities
Who Can Sponsor SFSP?

- Schools
- Government Agencies
- Nonprofit Organizations
- Tribal Government Organizations

Sponsoring a site is one of the best ways to support the Summer Food Service Program!
Montana School Nutrition Programs

- National School Lunch Program
- School Breakfast Program
- Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program
- Afterschool Snack Program
- Special Milk Program
- USDA Foods
- DOD Fresh
- Montana Team Nutrition

Summer Food Service Program
Summer Funding

USDA

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Sponsors assume responsibility for the entire administration of the program.
Serve FREE meals to kids, age 18 and under, following SFSP regulations and sponsor policies.
Sites: Eligibility

- School Data
- Census Block Group Data
Sites: Meals

Each sponsor may serve up to two meals at each site:

- *Breakfast and Lunch*
- *Lunch and Snack (AM or PM)*
- *Breakfast and Snack (AM or PM)*
- *Breakfast and Dinner*
- *Dinner and Snack (AM or PM)*
Steps to Get Involved with SFSP in 2017

1. Call OPI School Nutrition Programs or MFBN
2. Work with Community to Identify Resources
3. Identify Existing Sponsor or New Sponsor
4. Site Selection and Development
5. Start Application Process
MFBN and SFSP

- Creating Reports
- Advocacy and Education
- Statewide Outreach
- Sharing Best Practices
Conclusion

1. There’s lots you can do to support SFSP in your community

2. Consider sponsoring a site this summer
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