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****Maryland Food Bank Hunger Brief****

**Maryland Food Bank to Deliver Healthy Meals to Children
Through Summer Club Program**

BALTIMORE – As the increasing cost of food continues to cause financial stress among Marylanders, food-insecure families may face even more challenges later this month once schools close and access to free or reduced-priced breakfast and lunch programs are no longer available. To bridge the gap, the Maryland Food Bank (MFB) will begin operating its Summer Club Program at 40 sites across central Maryland in late June, ensuring local children have access to nutritious food all summer long.

“Summer can be really tough for families with limited means in normal times. But the summer of 2022 may be especially hard for Marylanders who are already feeling the pinch, as household expenses for food, housing, and utilities continue to rise,” said Maryland Food Bank President & CEO Carmen Del Guercio. “Our Summer Clubs provide a steady stream of healthy food to kids who might otherwise go hungry during the long summer months. With the help of this program, local kids can stay on track and return to school in the fall ready to learn.”

MFB Summer Clubs are held at recreation centers, faith-based organizations, and other agencies with strong ties to the community and a variety of activities that keep kids engaged during the summer. These Summer Clubs are part of the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s (USDA) Summer Food Service Program, which provides low-income children free breakfast and lunches that adhere to strict USDA guidelines. These meals will be prepared in the food bank’s Charles T. Bauer Community Kitchen using fresh, locally sourced ingredients, ensuring kids get the nutrients needed to stay healthy throughout the summer.

See below for eligibility guidelines and a list of 2022 MFB Summer Club sites.

About the Maryland Food Bank

The Maryland Food Bank (MFB) is a nonprofit hunger-relief organization dedicated to feeding people, strengthening communities, and ending hunger for more Marylanders. Since March 2020, the food bank’s statewide food assistance network distributed the equivalent of 97 million meals in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. MFB will continue to meet the immediate needs of vulnerable communities while collaborating with partners to provide resources beyond food and address root causes of hunger so that more Marylanders can become financially stable and thrive. To learn more about the Maryland Food Bank, visit www.mdfoodbank.org.



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The Maryland Food Bank is participating in the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP). Meals will be provided to all eligible children free of charge. Children who are part of households that receive benefits through the Food Supplement Program or Temporary Cash Assistance (TCA) are automatically eligible to receive free meals. (To be eligible to receive free meals at a residential or non-residential camp, children must meet the income guidelines listed below for reduced-price meals in the National School Lunch Program.)

SFSP INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

(Effective from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023)

Household Size	Reduced-Price Meals		
	Yearly	Monthly	Weekly
1	\$25,142	\$2,096	\$484
2	33,874	2,823	652
3	42,606	3,551	820
4	51,338	4,279	988
5	60,070	5,006	1,156
6	68,802	5,734	1,324
7	77,534	6,462	1,492
8	82,266	7,189	1,659
For each additional family member add...	\$ 8,732	\$ 728	\$ 168

Acceptance and participation requirements for the Program and all activities are the same for all regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability, and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service. Meals will provide at the sites and time as follows:

The following sites require pre-enrollment in order to access MFB Summer Club meals:

Anne Arundel County:	Start Date:	End Date:	Days:	Breakfast Time:	Lunch Time:
Bywater B&G	7/6/2022	8/19/2022	M-F	8:30AM-9:00AM	12:00AM-1:00PM
Bates B&G	7/6/2022	8/19/2022	M-F	8:30AM-9:00AM	11:30AM-12:30PM
Freetown Village	7/6/2022	8/19/2022	M-F	8:30AM-9:00AM	11:30AM-12:30PM
Heritage Overlook	7/6/2022	8/19/2022	M-F	8:30AM-9:00AM	12:00AM-1:00PM

Baltimore County:	Start Date:	End Date:	Days:	Breakfast Time:	Lunch Time:
IMPROVE (Learning A)	6/27/2022	8/19/2022	M-F	9:45AM-10:45AM	12:30PM-1:30PM
Shady Spring PAL	6/27/2022	8/19/2022	M-F	9:30AM-10:30AM	12:30PM-1:00PM
Mars Estates PAL	6/27/2022	8/19/2022	M-F	10:30AM-1:00AM	1:30PM-2:30PM
Hillendale PAL	6/27/2022	8/19/2022	M-F	900AM-9:45AM	1:00PM-1:45PM
Cockeysville PAL	6/27/2022	8/19/2022	M-F	900AM-9:45AM	12:00PM-12:45PM
Winfield PAL	6/27/2022	8/19/2022	M-F	900AM-9:45AM	12:00PM-12:45PM

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Baltimore City:	Start Date:	End Date:	Days:	Breakfast Time:	Lunch Time:
By Peaceful Means	7/5/2022	8/5/2022	M-F	8:30AM- 9:30AM	12:00PM-1:00PM

Howard County:	Start Date	End Date:	Days:	Snack time:
Bethel Christian Academy	6/21/2022	8/12/2022	M-F	4:00PM – 4:30PM
<i>This site has snacks only</i>				

MFB Summer Club meals will be provided on a first come, first served basis at the following sites and times:

Allegany County:	Start Date:	End Date:	Days:	Breakfast Time:	Lunch Time:
Salvation Army Boys & Girls Club Cumberland	6/21/2022	8/5/2022	M-F	9:00AM-10:00AM	12:00PM-1:00PM

Anne Arundel County:	Start Date:	End Date:	Days:	Breakfast Time:	Lunch Time:
Admiral Oaks	7/6/2022	8/19/2022	M-F	8:00AM-9:00AM	12:30PM-1:30PM
Meade Village	7/6/2022	8/19/2022	M-F	8:00AM-9:00AM	12:00PM-1:00PM
Stanton Community Center	7/11/2022	8/19/2022	M-F	9:00AM-9:30AM	12:00PM-1:00PM
Glen Burnie B&G	7/5/2022	8/19/2022	M-F	9:00AM-10:00AM	12:00PM-1:00PM
Glen Learning	6/27/2022	8/5/2022	M-F	9:00AM – 0:00AM	12:30PM- 1:30PM
Eastport Community Center	7/1/2022	8/5/2022	MF	10:00AM- 0:30AM	12:00PM- 1:00PM
Robinwood Community Center	7/1/2022	8/5/2022	M-F	10:00AM- 0:30AM	12:00PM- 1:00PM
First Baptist Church	6/27/2022	8/4/2022	M-F	8:15AM-9:15AM	11:30AM-12:30PM
Pip Moyer Recreation Center	7/11/2022	8/19/2022	M-F	7:30AM-8:30AM	12:00PM-1:00PM
Germantown Camp	7/11/2022	8/19/2022	M-F	9:00AM-10:00AM	12:00PM-1:00PM
George East Enrichment Camp	7/11/2022	8/19/2022	M-F	9:00AM-10:00AM	12:00PM-1:00PM
Annapolis Walk Community Enrichment camp	7/11/2022	8/19/2022	M-F	9:00AM-10:00AM	12:00PM-1:00PM

Baltimore County:	Start Date:	End Date:	Days:	Breakfast Time:	Lunch Time:
Life Source Learning Center	6/21/2022	9/2/2022	M-F	8:00AM-9:00AM	11:00AM-12:00PM
Scotts Branch PAL	6/27/2022	8/19/2022	M-F	9:30AM-10:30AM	12:30PM-1:30PM
Middle River B&G	7/5/2022	8/19/2022	M-F	8:00AM-9:00AM	12:00PM-1:00PM
Sweet Potato Kids	6/27/2022	8/19/2022	M-F	8:00AM-9:00AM	11:30PM-1:00PM
Willow Park Academy	6/21/2022	8/15/2022	M-F	8:00AM-9:00AM	12:00PM-1:00PM
Dundalk PAL	6/21/2022	8/19/2022	M-F	8:00AM-9:00AM	12:00PM-1:00PM
Giggles Learning Center	6/21/2022	9/2/2022	M-F	07:00AM-8:00AM	12:00PM-1:00PM
WoodmoorPAL	6/27/2022	8/19/2022	M-F	9:30AM-10:30AM	12:30PM-1:30PM
Kool Kidz Learning & Development Center	6/21/2022	9/2/2022	M-F	8:00AM-9:00AM	12:00PM-1:00PM
Evolutions Sports	6/21/2022	8/5/2022	M-F	7:30AM-8:30AM	11:30AM-12:30PM

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Building Blocks Learning & Development center	6/21/2022	9/2/2022	M-F	8:00AM-9:00AM	11:00PM-12:00PM
Franklin Square Boys & Girls Club	7/5/2022	8/19/2022	M-F	8:30AM- 9:30AM	12:00PM-1:00PM

Carroll County:	Start Date:	End Date:	Days:	Lunch Time:	Snack Time:
Rise Up- Community Center	6/21/2022	8/25/2022	M-F	2:00PM-2:30PM	4:00PM-4:30PM

Howard County:	Start Date:	End Date:	Days:	Breakfast Time:	Lunch Time:
Ride Out	6/21/2022	8/25/2022	M-F	9:30AM -10:30AM	12:30PM-1:30PM
Magic Minds	6/21/2022	8/5/2022	M-F	9:00AM-10:00AM	12:00PM-1:00PM

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