

**THE EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (TEFAP)  
CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY TO TAKE FOOD HOME**

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Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
 County: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number of People in Household: \_\_\_\_\_

Number in Household under 18: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number in Household 18-59: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number in Household 60 & over: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number of Veterans in Household: \_\_\_\_\_

If your household income is at or below the income listed for the number of people in your household, you are eligible to receive food. **TEFAP Income Eligibility Guidelines – 2026**

Household Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice per Month	Every two Weeks	Weekly
1	\$47,880	\$3,990	\$1,995	\$1,842	\$921
2	\$64,920	\$5,410	\$2,705	\$2,497	\$1,248
3	\$81,960	\$6,830	\$3,415	\$3,152	\$1,576
4	\$99,000	\$8,250	\$4,125	\$3,808	\$1,904
5	\$116,040	\$9,670	\$4,835	\$4,463	\$2,232
6	\$133,080	\$11,090	\$5,545	\$5,118	\$2,559
7	\$150,120	\$12,510	\$6,255	\$5,774	\$2,887
8	\$167,160	\$13,930	\$6,965	\$6,429	\$3,215
For each additional family member add:	\$17,040	\$1,420	\$710	\$655	\$328

You are eligible to receive food from TEFAP if your household meets the income guidelines above or participates in any of the following programs. Please place a checkmark in the space next to the category that applies.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Income eligibility
- \_\_\_\_\_ Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) (aka Food Stamps)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Medicaid

The Local Distributing Agency staff must check this box, after the applicant has read the below certification statement:

*I certify, by self-attesting, that my yearly household gross income is at or below the income listed on this form for households with the same number of people **OR** that I participate in the program(s) that I have checked on this form. I also certify that as of today, I reside in the State of Florida. This certification is being submitted in connection with the receipt of Federal assistance. I understand that making a false certification may result in having to pay the State agency for the value of the food improperly issued to me and may subject me to civil or criminal prosecution under State and Federal law.*

**OPTIONAL:** I authorize \_\_\_\_\_ to pick up USDA foods on my behalf.

**Any changes in the household’s circumstances must be reported to the distributing agency immediately.**

PLEASE REFER TO THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS DOCUMENT FOR THE USDA NON-DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

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U.S. Department of Agriculture  
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights  
1400 Independence Avenue, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or
2. **fax:**  
(833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or
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