

COVID-19 Check-In Meeting Notes
Tuesday July 7, 2020

Participants: ~78 participants

Agenda

Schedule: Tuesday's General Updates Weekly in July – Moving to Twice-monthly in August

Re-opening Guidance: Trish Twomey WFC & Company and Emily Hovis DOH. ***WFC PowerPoint included online with the FA PowerPoint from today**

General Updates: General Updates; CSFP July Racial/Ethnic Data Collection; TEFAP DHD Status July 2 – July 16; Future Funding; TEFAP Client Intake Forms/Pubs are now online; FA Advisory Meeting July 17th 9:00 am followed by WFC Board Meeting at 10:30 am

Questions, Feedback and Clarifications – YOUR Time

Tuesday July 14th @ 9:00 am – General updates

Updates

Trish Twomey and Emily Hovis: Moving into phase 2 – Continued home/healthy for high risk DOH guidance will be updated frequently and you can find the most up-to-date information here:

<https://www.doh.wa.gov/Portals/1/Documents/1600/coronavirus/COVID-19FoodPantriesPhase2Guidelines.pdf>

Beginning July 7, businesses will not be able to serve customers or visitors who aren't wearing face coverings. Individuals with certain health or medical conditions or disabilities are exempt from the requirement to wear a face covering. Businesses can offer to provide accommodations such as curbside pick-up, delivery, scheduling of visits during non-peak hours or virtual meetings. No one is required to carry proof or documentation of their health condition or disability. **Minimize contact and minimize touch points**

Phase 2:

- 30% occupancy limit
- Minimizing time with clients (floor markers to keep 6' apart, arrange flow of clients)
- Extend hours of operation, having appointments, hybrid models (pick up/grocery/boxes, etc)
- No offering samples, food demos or cooking classes
- Pre-bag foods such as produce or baked goods
- Reduce available food options to speed client time – example, only place on the shelf 3 types of soups
- Phase 3 will be similar to Phase 2, however, some changes will occur such as occupancy levels. More information to come on the DOH website.

Kim Eads:

- **If you operate CSFP:** July is the racial/ethnic data collection month. We're not doing the nutrition survey.

- **DHD:** haven't received a response from USDA yet. 7/2-7/16. Hoping for a 2-week extension.
- **Future funding:** anticipate another round of EFAP funding ~ \$3.2M. Amendments out by 7/20. Details to be discussed Friday at the contractors meeting.
- **USDA commodities:** strategizing on funding and food volumes starting 1/1/21. TMP is currently the majority of the food we get through the system. TMP will end at some point, so FA is planning for the future. **The state side** – putting forward a legislative request for the next session. Director Sandison has approved that to move forward. Requesting funding to prevent a food gap.
- **TEFAP client intake forms:** currently only in English, working on translations by mid-July.
- **FA advisory meeting:** 7/17 @ 9 am followed by WFC board meeting @ ~ 10:30 am
- **Food ordering:** Started purchasing for the TEFAP food that was cancelled July-Sept. Vendors were unable to fill orders at the price USDA was hoping for. Significant increase in some product costs. Additional funding has been allocated, so we're on track. Aug-mid Sept should receive foods. In the process of ordering. TMP: we typically get 190-198 truckloads of TMP food; the last round (phase 4) was only at 168 truckloads. At the federal level, the TMP program has served its purpose and may not be needed past Dec. 31, 2020. Once the trade agreements get resolved, there will be less need for TMP. TMP filled the gap with high quality food; can we utilize additional funding through the bonus stream to continue some version of that type of food in another program (Bonus TEFAP).