The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP)

**TEFAP is a self-declaration program. In order to receive TEFAP commodities:**

- You will **never** need to provide your social security number or proof of citizenship.
- You will **never** need to provide proof of income or household size.
- You must **only** receive TEFAP food from the state in which you live. (There is no minimum length of residency required).

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