

Feeding Report Summary – May 14, 2020

Eastern Area Food Program Status

County	Availability	Quality	Storage	Distribution	Remarks
Berks					NSTR
Bucks					NSTR
Carbon					NSTR
Chester					The total amount of meals provided to Chester County in April by FEMA/PEMA was 70,620. 30,000 of the meals were distributed by school districts/food banks and 41,000 by senior centers and the Department of Aging.
Columbia					NSTR
Delaware					Frozen meats are needed and in short supply. *Pending distributions from the USDA.
Lackawanna					NSTR
Lehigh					NSTR
Luzerne					Canned fruits and vegetables along with tomato products are in short supply. *Pending distributions from the USDA. REACH Pantry at St. Stephen's has closed and now Glen Lyon Mobile Pantry has closed as well. Following up with the county for more information.
Monroe					NSTR
Montgomery					Need fresh and canned goods like vegetables and fruit and rice for local food pantries. *Pending distributions from the USDA.
Montour					NSTR
Northampton					NSTR
Northumberland					Need canned vegetables and assorted dry goods at local food pantries. *Pending distributions from the USDA.
Philadelphia					Philadelphia Parks and Recreation (PPR) and ESYHF distributed a total of 1,400 youth meals at Tarken and Scanlon Ice Rinks. PPR Older Adult Centers distributed a total of 629 meals to 262 people today. Step Up To The Plate distributed more than 50,000 grab-and-go meals to 2,500 residents last week. 3,310 meals were distributed at outdoor feeding sites over the weekend.
Pike					NSTR
Schuylkill					NSTR
Susquehanna					NSTR
Wayne					NSTR
Wyoming					Have an increase in demand at Food Pantries and are not able to meet that demand. Need frozen meats. *Pending distributions from the USDA.

Nothing Significant to Report (NSTR)
 Non-Critical Issue (Working)
 Critical Issue (not resolved)

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Adams					NSTR
Bedford					Access to a larger building to store food or a refrigerated box truck would be ideal.
Blair					Altoona Food Bank had been open only one day a week but are back to their regular three days a week schedule.
Bradford					NSTR
Centre					NSTR
Clinton					Could use additional transportation, specifically drivers with CDL's and refrigerated trucks. Also, Refrigeration/Freezer storage for abundance of incoming milk, fresh, and frozen product.
Cumberland					NSTR
Dauphin					The county is now seeing a problem with refrigeration storage capacity at our facility and at our partners, due to the large quantities of milk and produce. *We continue to see an increase in emergency calls requesting food assistance. We are serving emergency food clients in our parking lot with non-perishable Crisis Response Boxes, produce, and frozen products. In the last week, we served approximately 60 families.
Franklin					NSTR
Fulton					We are looking for a way to increase our storage capacity for dry goods, frozen and refrigeration. We are still trying to find avenues for storage.
Huntingdon					NSTR
Juniata					NSTR
Lancaster					NSTR
Lebanon					NSTR
Lycoming					Food bank is doing ok. Schools have reported no problems.
Mifflin					Need more refrigerator space.
Perry					All four school districts will continue food distribution through the end of the school year and are reporting no shortages or issues. Bread of Life Outreach, a faith-based food/product distribution organization is reporting no shortage of donations and products to distribute. This organization supplies products to other churches in the county who distribute it.
Potter					NSTR
Snyder					In need of vegetables, cereals, fruits, meats, and cheeses. Have struggled to acquire enough supplies through normal channels. *Pending distributions from the USDA.
Sullivan					NSTR
Tioga					NSTR
Union					Reporting similar issues as Snyder County. *Pending distributions from the USDA.
York					NSTR

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Allegheny					The National Guard will continue to support the Greater Pittsburgh Food Bank Operations until May 15.
Armstrong					No feeding programs currently in use.
Beaver					NSTR
Butler					NSTR
Cambria					NSTR
Cameron					NSTR
Clarion					NSTR
Clearfield					Shortages in pantry items (cereal, pasta, pancake mix, canned vegetables), meats (canned and frozen), and dairy (cheese and yogurt). Other items needed include bread, eggs, flour, butter, sugar, etc. *Pending distributions from the USDA.
Crawford					NSTR
Elk					NSTR
Erie					NSTR
Fayette					NSTR
Forest					Agencies could use more refrigeration and freezers. Nothing critical to report.
Greene					The county is reporting no unmet needs for food.
Indiana					NSTR
Jefferson					Salvation Army, Punxsutawney, is struggling to keep food on the shelves. At the current rate, the Pantry would need at least \$1,000 per month to keep functioning on a monthly basis. In comparison it usually can stock the pantry for an entire year on \$4,000. Attempting to connect the Salvation Army with the Second Harvest Food Bank of NW PA to assist them with access to more food supplies.
Lawrence					NSTR
McKean					NSTR
Mercer					NSTR
Somerset					In need of meats and canned goods for Food Pantry. *Pending distributions from the USDA.
Venango					Will need funds to help the food pantries restock down the road. The extra donations they are getting is what is keeping them whole, but as those dwindle the shelves will not be stocked to distribute when it is business as usual.
Warren					NSTR
Washington					NSTR
Westmoreland					NSTR

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Current Statewide Efforts

Department of Human Services

Distribution of Shelf-Stable Meals

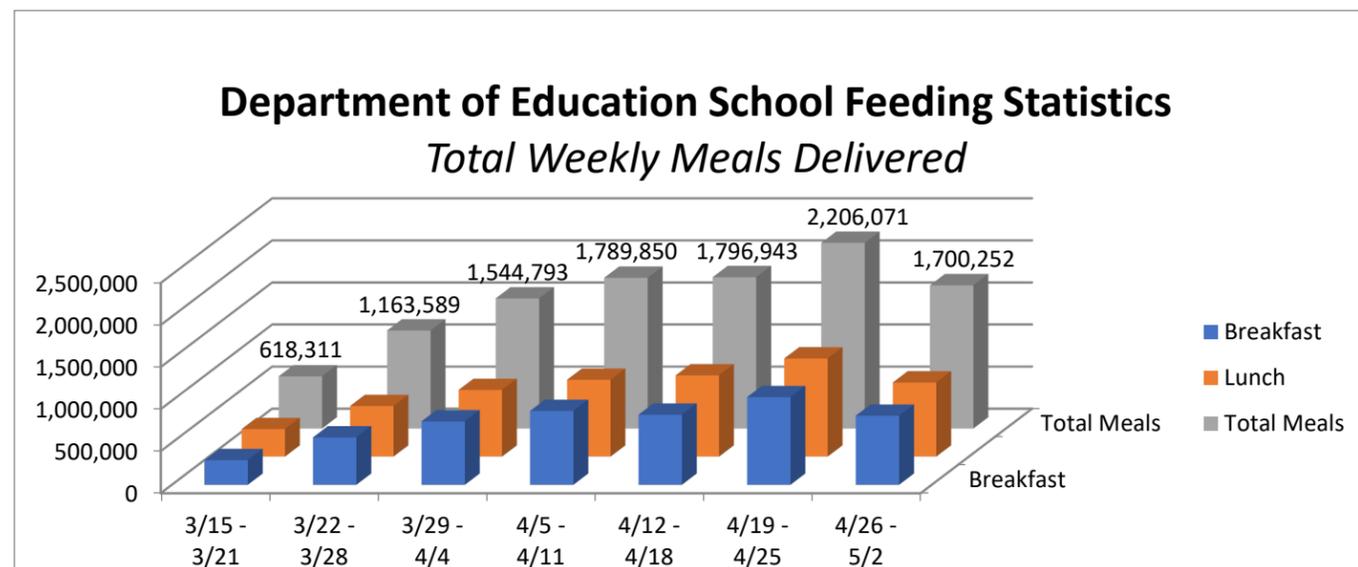
- As of May 5, PA DHS has coordinated the delivery of 683,496 individual shelf-stable meals to charitable food networks and feeding programs, including home-delivered meal programs for seniors and food pantries around Pennsylvania.

Distribution of Fresh Prepared Meals

- PA DHS launched a partnership with Operation BBQ Relief to provide fresh prepared meals for food insecure Pennsylvanians. Operation BBQ Relief utilizes shuttered restaurants, available restaurant workers, and available commercial-sized food product to produce family style meals.
- In Phase 1 of this partnership, 720,000 meals will be provided to the Salvation Army to distribute commonwealth-wide over a 4-week period. As of May 5, 2020, the first 2-3 weeks' worth of meals have been distributed to six Salvation Army warehouses and distribution to the public has begun at local corps locations. Phase 2 expansion of this partnership will produce an additional 3.2 million meals for distribution by DHS food bank partners, including Feeding PA food banks, over a 5-week period.

Department of Education

The Department of Education has been providing meals to students and families continually since the COVID-19 pandemic and school closures began. The chart below highlights the number of meals (breakfast and lunch) which have been delivered throughout the Commonwealth beginning with the week of March 15 through May 2.



Department of Agriculture

- The Department is working to acquire and distribute more than \$22 million in **USDA Foods** – including meats, vegetables, canned goods, cereal, rice, pasta, eggs and more – to the commonwealth's food banks to distribute through their network of distribution sites over the coming months. This funding comes as a result of the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) and the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act.
- In addition, the Department has \$12 million worth of food products on order for delivery between now and June 30.
- Implemented the USDA Disaster Household Distribution Program which allows the Department to provide critical food sourced through The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) to Pennsylvanians in need of food assistance as a result of COVID-19 mitigation efforts without the need to complete income verification paperwork. Similarly, the Department waived income verification paperwork for the State Food Purchase Program (SFPP).
- Moved quickly to distribute \$3.75 million of worth of TEFAP administrative funding, received through the FFCRA, to food banks serving all 67 counties. Currently developing the mechanism to distribute another \$5.6 million in soon-to-be-received funds as a result of the CARES Act. These funds will be used by the food banks to cover costs incurred in preventing and responding to COVID-19.
- Through an emergency contract with PEMA, the department provided Hunger-Free Pennsylvania and their network of members \$1 million in emergency funding for food and supplies from the Department's own operating budget.
- Through SFPP, every county received a prorated share of \$500,000 in an early payment in April – a payment that is not typically distributed until June. These funds are helping the counties to acquire additionally needed food supplies. In addition, the Department is allowing SFPP agencies to use up to 15% of their funds to cover administrative costs (distribution, transportation, packing), usually an 8% limit.
- Submitted commonwealth plan and awaiting approval and final allocation of state funds for the USDA's Farm to Food Bank, a new program created in the 2018 U.S. Farm Bill. This federal program was based on the Commonwealth's model of the Pennsylvania Agricultural Surplus System (PASS) program and will allow state dollars to be further leveraged to purchase more PA agricultural products for distribution in the charitable food system.