

ADDRESSING THE IMMEDIATE SNAP CRISIS

EMERGENCY FOOD COLLABORATIVE

We have pulled together a collaborative group of organizations and people with a goal to meet the food needs of SNAP recipients whose resources are insufficient to cover the gap incurred due to the government shut down.

WE ARE SEEKING ORGANIZATIONS THAT PRODUCE OR DISTRIBUTE FOOD ITEMS AND THOSE WORKING DIRECTLY WITH SNAP RECIPIENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS CRITICAL INITIATIVE. WE ARE SEEKING HELP FROM FARMS, FOOD WHOLESALERS AND DISTRIBUTORS, GROCERY STORES, FOOD BANKS, PROVIDER GROUPS, HEALTH PLANS AND CONTRIBUTORS.

There are 825,000 people in Arizona receiving SNAP benefits. We anticipate an insufficient supply of food to meet the need for February by the 18th of the month.

This estimate is based on the fact that SNAP benefits were released early for the month of February on January 17–20, when individuals generally receive SNAP benefits February 1–13. Our experience suggests most SNAP recipients spend all of their funds by the 21st day after receiving them. Many of the recipients have insufficient food to feed themselves and their families for the full month on a regular basis. Can you join us address this crisis?

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