

Summer Food in Montana

- A total of 97 sponsors provided meals at 174 sites in Montana during the summer of 2013.
- Over 44,000 students ate a Free or Reduced Price (FRP) lunch on an average day during the 2012-2013 school year.
- Approximately 8,148 kids in Montana received a free summer meal through the SFSP on an average day. That means only 18% of students who eat FRP lunches during the school year also receive summer meals through the SFSP while school is not in session.



Summer Food sites across the state!

Want More Information?

For more information about the Summer Food Service Program please contact the Montana Food Bank Network:

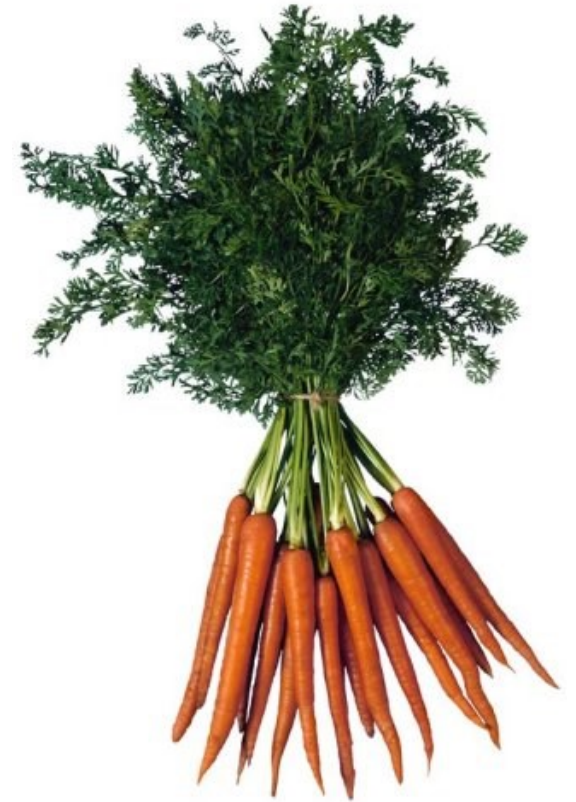
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The Summer Food Service Program



*"Food that's IN when
school is OUT"*



Everyone Wins with Summer Food!

- Low-income children have access to nutritious meals in a safe environment.
- Parents stretch food dollars and have a safe place for their children to play.
- Food service workers have summer employment.
- Local agencies receive Federal money to run the program.

The Summer Food Service Program—Helping all kids get the nutrition they need to learn, play, and grow year round.

The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) was created in 1975 as a way to serve nutritious meals to children when school is not in session. SFSP is a Federally funded program administered through the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The Montana Office of Public Instruction (OPI) administers the program at the state level.

What kinds of organizations may sponsor the SFSP?

- Public or private non-profit Schools
- Public or private nonprofit residential summer camps.
- Units of local, municipal or county government
- Community and nonprofit organizations

"This summer I've had to choose between a gallon of gas or a gallon of milk"
- Grandmother raising three grandchildren on her own.
Food Pantry Client

Where are meals served?

- Schools
- Summer residential and day camps
- Parks and Recreation centers
- Community Pools
- Parks
- Community Centers
- Boys and Girls Clubs
- Churches
- Salvation Army Centers
- Mobile Home Parks
- And many more.....!

How are sponsors reimbursed?

Sponsors are reimbursed by OPI, with Federal dollars, at the designated reimbursement rate for the number of eligible meals served. All reimbursed meals must meet Federal nutrition guidelines.

Who is eligible to receive a meal at a SFSP site?

- ALL children age 18 and under (no ID or income verification needed).
- People age 18-21 with disabilities may receive free meals at a site offering accredited educational programming. Please call OPI for clarification.

