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TO: All Food Bank Program Sponsors

FROM: Michael D. St. Romain, Director, Food Distribution Division

SUBJECT: New Income Guidelines

Enclosed are the new income guidelines to be used with distributions beginning July 1, 2011. You should insert this page into your Food Bank Food Distribution Program Procedural Handbook and discard the old page 7, which you currently have.

If you have any questions, please contact my office at (225) 922-1319.

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Enclosure

c: Food Distribution Field Supervisors  
Randy Sanchez

**ELIGIBILITY OF HOUSEHOLDS**

A food bank must adhere to the following eligibility requirements for distributing donated food to needy households and must keep on file a completed Application/Declaratory Statement of Eligibility (**Attachment 4**). Alternate application forms may be used if they capture all information requested on Attachment 4. Any alternate application must be approved by the Food Distribution Division prior to use. This includes any electronic eligibility verification system.

1. An applicant must be a resident of a parish in which the recipient agency has jurisdiction.
2. An applicant must meet one of the following criteria:
  - a) Combined gross income of all persons in applicant's household is within the following guidelines:

<u>SIZE OF HOUSEHOLD</u>	<u>MONTHLY INCOME IS LESS THAN:</u>	<u>YEARLY INCOME IS LESS THAN:</u>
1	\$1,180	\$14,157
2	\$1,593	\$19,123
3	\$2,008	\$24,089
4	\$2,421	\$29,055
5	\$2,835	\$34,021
6	\$3,250	\$38,987
7	\$3,663	\$43,953
8	\$4,076	\$48,919

FOR EACH ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBER ADD                      \$ 414                      \$ 4,966

- b) Applicant's household is composed solely of food stamp recipients.
  - c) Applicant receives supplemental security income.
  - d) Applicant's household receives aid to families with dependent children.
3. These Income Guidelines are to be used for all distributions between July 1, 2011 and June 30, 2012.