



# GNAP Foods

Georgia Nutrition Assistance Program

# What is GNAP?

- Stands for the Georgia Nutrition Assistance Program
- Georgia General Assembly and Department of Human Resources contracts with the Georgia Food Banks to provide food assistance to TANF eligible clients and their children
- Funded through federal TANF money



## Why GNAP?

- Allows the Georgia food banks to purchase high-demand groceries
- Assists DHR in determining the number of low-income, TANF eligible families that need food assistance



# Which agencies are eligible?

- Only agencies that serve a large percentage of children may participate in GNAP
  - Food pantries
  - After-school programs
  - Family shelters
  - Group homes for children



# What foods are available?

- Peanut butter
- Frozen Chicken
- Canned Beef Ravioli
- Lasagna
- Canned peaches
- 100% fruit juice
- Hotdogs
- Hamburgers
- This is not a shopping list. Items are not guaranteed to be in stock.



# Storage of GNAP Products

- GNAP food must be labeled
- Must be stored 6 inches off the floor
- Must clean dry storage area
- Storage area is sanitary and rodent free
- Maintain temperatures for product
- Food must be stored in a secure area



# Which clients are eligible at Food Pantries?

- Only families who live in Georgia with children under age of 18
- Clients must show at least one document to verify eligibility for GNAP food
- **Adults without children cannot receive GNAP food**
- Examples of documents showing eligibility include:
  - TANF EBT Card
  - TANF eligibility letter from DFCS
  - Food Stamp EBT card or WIC card
  - Public housing resident or Section 18 tenant
  - Medicaid card or Peachcare for Kids card
  - Child care voucher
  - **Do not make copy or keep document**



# What about record keeping for Food Pantries?

- There is a separate application for GNAP food:
- The information on Application
  1. Indicate the name and address of family
  2. Number of individuals receiving GNAP
  3. Type of eligibility for food
    1. At-Risk
    2. TANF
    3. Transitional TANF

Pantries must submit monthly report by the 5<sup>th</sup> working day of each month to Feeding The Valley



# GNAP Terms:

## TANF Families

- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
- Provides cash assistance for no more than 48 months
- Ways to identify TANF families:
  - TANF EBT card
  - TANF eligibility letter from DFCS
  - Food Stamp EBT card

## TANF Transitional Families

- After 48 month period TANF family may be given additional support services
- Ways to identify TANF Transitional Families:
  - Child care voucher
  - Transportation Assistance
  - Job skills classes
  - work uniforms
  - Food Stamp EBT card

## At-Risk Families

- ✓ Low-income families at-risk of needing TANF cash assistance
- ✓ Ways to identify at-risk families:
  - ✓ Eligible for USDA commodities
  - ✓ Public housing resident or Section 8 tenant
  - ✓ WIC card or low-income family w/infant
  - ✓ Medicaid and/or Peachcare for Kids card
  - ✓ Free/reduced price school meals
  - ✓ Hourly wages of \$8 or less
  - ✓ No employment, applying for TANF/Food Stamps