

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 people in applicant's household is within the following guidelines:

SIZE OF HOUSEHOLD	MONTHLY INCOME IS LESS THAN:	YEARLY INCOME IS LESS THAN:
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1	\$2,461	\$29,526
2	\$3,337	\$40,034
3	\$4,212	\$50,542
4	\$5,088	\$61,050
5	\$5,964	\$71,558
6	\$6,839	\$82,066
7	\$7,715	\$92,574
8	\$8,591	\$103,082

FOR EACH ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBER ADD	\$876	\$10,508
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- b) Applicant receives supplemental security income.
 - c) Applicant's household receives aid to families with dependent children.
3. These Income Guidelines are to be used for all distributions starting February 10, 2026.

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