



Food and Nutrition  
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SUBJECT: Extension Approval of Disaster Household Distribution in Response to the National Emergency Declaration Due to COVID-19

TO: Jesus Mendoza  
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This memorandum is in response to the Guam Department of Education's (GDOE) request to extend its use of U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Foods to operate disaster household distribution beyond its initial approved end date of May 15, 2020. This request is in response to food assistance needs resulting from the COVID-19 National Emergency declared by the President of the United States on March 13, 2020.

GDOE requested that USDA extend its initial approval to use USDA Foods from The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) for disaster household distribution. GDOE is approved to continue the utilization of the same distribution methods to provide food assistance for a cumulative total, not to exceed 5,000 individuals, over the course of the 30-day approval period.

**An extension is granted for disaster household distribution beginning May 18, 2020 through June 16, 2020.** GDOE is authorized to use the previously approved disaster household distribution food package to continue providing food assistance to impacted households. GDOE must also follow the same Terms of Approval as stated in the original approval letter dated April 16, 2020, to include but not limited to weekly reporting of:

- 1) the amount of TEFAP inventory used for disaster household distributions, and
- 2) the number of persons served under the disaster household distribution.

Should GDOE need additional assistance, other resources may be available through FEMA, <https://www.fema.gov/news-release/2020/04/12/coronavirus-covid-19-pandemic-purchase-and-distribution-food-eligible-public>, and through other USDA programs such as USDA Farmers to Families, <https://www.ams.usda.gov/publications/content/farmers-families-food-box-program-faqs>.

Please have GDOE contact the FNS Western Regional Office for more information should they have any questions regarding this approval.

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