**Summer Food Service Program**

**Sample News Release:** **Enrolled Sites and Camps**

*(Name of sponsor)* \_\_\_\_\_\_ is participating in the Summer Food Service Program. Meals will be provided to all eligible children free of charge. (To be eligible to receive free meals at a residential or non-residential camp, children must meet the income guidelines for reduced-price meals in the National School Lunch Program. The income guidelines for reduced-price meals by family size are listed below.) Children who are part of households that receive Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, formerly foods stamps) benefits or benefits under the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), or Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) are automatically eligible to receive free meals.

Acceptance and participation requirements for the Program and all activities are the same for all regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability, and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service. Meals will be provided at the sites and times as follows:

*[list all sites and the starting and ending times of meal service for each site]*

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| HOUSEHOLD  SIZE | FEDERAL POVERTY GUIDELINES |  | REDUCED PRICE MEALS – 185% | | | | |
| ANNUAL | ANNUAL | MONTHLY | TWICE PER MONTH | EVERY TWO WEEKS | WEEKLY |
| 1 | 12,760 |  | 23,606 | 1,968 | 984 | 908 | 454 |
| 2 | 17,240 |  | 31,894 | 2,658 | 1,329 | 1,227 | 614 |
| 3 | 21,720 |  | 40,182 | 3,349 | 1,675 | 1,546 | 773 |
| 4 | 26,200 |  | 48,470 | 4,040 | 2,020 | 1,865 | 933 |
| 5 | 30,680 |  | 56,758 | 4,730 | 2,365 | 2,183 | 1,092 |
| 6 | 35,160 |  | 65,046 | 5,421 | 2,711 | 2,502 | 1,251 |
| 7 | 39,640 |  | 73,334 | 6,112 | 3,056 | 2,821 | 1,411 |
| 8 | 44,120 |  | 81,622 | 6,802 | 3,401 | 3,140 | 1,570 |
| For each add ’l family member, add | 4,480 |  | 8,288 | 691 | 346 | 319 | 160 |

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