

## **Summer Food Just Got Easier for Nonprofits**

It is now easier for nonprofit organizations to participate in the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) with the enactment of the Healthy Schools, Healthy Kids Act. In the past, nonprofits could only sponsor twenty-five sites with no more than 300 children participating at each site without receiving a waiver. The new law gives nonprofit organizations the opportunity to serve more children nutritious foods during the summer months (under the same rules that allow schools and local government agencies to participate).

Summer Food provides funding to serve free nutritious meals and snacks to children at sites in low-income areas (where half of the children are eligible for free or reduced-price school meals) or that serve primarily low-income children. Sites can be summer programs, parks, swimming pools, schools, low-income housing complexes, churches, and other places where children gather during the summer. Most sites can provide up to two meals a day to children age 18 and younger.

Take full advantage of this exciting new opportunity and start making plans for this summer today. To participate in SFSP, [contact your state agency](#).

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/Contacts/StateDirectory.htm>

For more information about SFSP visit the Food Research and Action Center (FRAC) website. <http://frac.org/federal-foodnutrition-programs/summer-programs/>