

# **Homeless Meals Program Fact Sheet**

#### 1. What is the Homeless Meals Program?

The Homeless Meals Program provides nutritionally balanced congregate meals to homeless people at homeless shelters and soup kitchens. It builds partnerships with homeless shelter agencies to expand resources and opportunities for homeless individuals and families.

### 2. Funding

New Mexico's Human Services Department (HSD) Food and Nutrition Services Bureau (FANS) administers the Homeless Meals Program which receives state funds appropriated by the NM Legislature.

Funding
\$193,500
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- ► HSD contracts with agencies through an RFP process and reserves the option of renewing the initial contract on an annual basis for three additional years or portion thereof (not to exceed four years).
  - 1. Agencies are required to participate in The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) for the term of the contract.
  - 2. Meals are provided on specified days at specified times and are at no cost to the participants.
  - 3. Provide services in areas of greatest need and accessible to those in need.
  - 4. Provide a dollar –for–dollar match to funds awarded.
- ► Required allocation of funds is 100% to eligible entities.
  - 1. Funding assists in the cost of operating these programs.
  - 2. Allowable expenditures are for food, kitchen and dining supplies and labor for food service.
  - 3. HSD/FANS Bureau reviews monthly reimbursements for accuracy and allowable expenses.

#### ► Homeless Meals/Shelter Agencies:

- 1. El Caldito (Las Cruces) Meals
- 2. Esperanza (Santa Fe) Shelter
- 3. Good Shepherd (Albuquerque) Meals
- 4. P.A.T.H. (Farmington) Meals
- 5. St. Elizabeth's (Santa Fe) Meals
- 6. St. Martin's (Albuquerque) Meals

#### 3. Program Participants Totals

SFY	Total number of meals:
2015 July Through October 2014	161,846
2014	469,391
2013	495,378
2012	549, 325

2011	511,393
2010	489,361
2009	484,638
2008	471,500

## 4. Program Manager for more information:

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