

## Racial/Ethnic Participation Survey

Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)

CSFP Partner Agency:
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Each year in April, CSFP regulations require racial/ethnic information to be collected from <u>every</u> participant who receives a senior box in the month, including participants on the waitlist who pick up a senior box. Participation data is collected during distribution for the month of April only. CSFP eligibility is not based on racial/ethnic identity. The purpose of this regulation is to evaluate the impact of CSFP on low-income populations served.

The report requires two points of data: the race and the ethnicity of participants. Participants identify their race and ethnicity on the CSFP application from the options listed below; they may identify themselves with two races.

## RACE ETHNICITY

American Indian or Alaska Native
Asian
Black or African American
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
White

Hispanic/Latino	_
Non-Hispanic/Latino	

If a client's race is not already listed on their application, there are two options to identify participants or a combination of the two can be used.

Option 1 – Visually Identify

Participants may be visually identified without having to identify themselves. First, a CSFP trained staff member takes note of the corresponding race. Second, if the participant is of Hispanic/Latino ethnicity, that is noted as well.

Option 2 - Self Identify

Participants may identify themselves. First, a CSFP trained staff member politely asks each participant which of the five race categories they identify themselves with and note the corresponding race. Second, ask the participant if they are of Hispanic/Latino ethnicity. If they are, note that as well.

After every participant who picked up a senior box is identified for race and ethnicity, total the number of people of each race. Then mark the total number of Hispanic/Latino ethnicity from each race.

IMPORTANT: the total number of participants by race <u>must</u> equal the total number of senior boxes distributed in April.

Please note that this data will be used for informational purposes only and does not affect CSFP eligibility. The purpose of this regulation is to evaluate the impact of CSFP on low-income populations served. All racial/ethnic information (example: separate sheets of paper used to tally data) should be properly disposed of after information is collected. Thank you so much for taking the time to complete the survey!

		TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS BY RACE	TOTAL HISPANIC/LATINO
PARTICIPANTS WHO MARKED ONLY ONE RACE	AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKA NATIVE ASIAN BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN NATIVE HAWAIIAN OR OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDER WHITE		
PARTICIPANTS WHO MARKED <b>TWO RACES</b>	AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKA NATIVE AND WHITE ASIAN AND WHITE BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN AND WHITE AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKA NATIVE AND BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN		
	OTHER OR MULTIPLE RACES		
	TOTAL		

If you have questions, please contact Meghan Hatfield from the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma at <a href="mailto:mhatfield@rfbo.org">mhatfield@rfbo.org</a> or (405) 600-3164.

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