How does the program Work?
Congress appropriates funding for USDA to purchase food for distribution on Indian Reservations. USDA pays for the initial processing and packaging of the food and for transporting it to designed points within each state. State distributing agencies are responsible for storing the food, transporting it at the local level to eligible recipients.

Who Benefits from the Program?
USDA distributes food to members of Indian households living on or near a reservation and members of non-Indian living on a reservation who:

* Buy and cook food together

* Work for low pay, are unemployed or elderly or disabled and live on small income

A household may not participate in the Food Distribution Program on more than one reservation at a time, or participate in both this program and Food Snap Program at the same time.

The Service Area
We serve the Red Cliff Reservation, Bayfield and Douglas Counties (excluding the city of Superior)

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(1) Mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
(2) Fax: (202)690-7442; or
(3) Email: program.intake@usda.gov

Fair Hearings
You or your representative may request a fair hearing in writing if you disagree with any action taken on your case. You can continue to receive the same level of benefits pending the outcome of the hearing. Your case may be presented at the hearing by any representative of your choice. If you are in need of free legal representation, please contact the food distribution program director. I understand the questions and statements on this application and my answers are correct and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand I may have to provide documents verifying what I have requested. If documents are not available, I agree to give the office representative a name or organization to contact and obtain the necessary proof.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.
How is Eligibility Determined?
In determining who is eligible to receive donated foods, local Food Distribution offices consider the number of people in a household's income and money paid for child care or household member while other members are at work or school. There is a limit on how much money each household can have and be eligible for the program. The amount varies based on the number of people in a household.

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Dependent care deduction
Households that qualify for the dependent care deduction are allowed a deduction of actual dependent care costs paid monthly to a non-household member.

Earned Income Deduction
Households with earned income are allowed a deduction on 20% of their earned income.

Child Support Deductions
Households that incur the cost of legally required child support to or for a non-household member are allowed a deduction for the amount of monthly child support paid.

Medical Expense Deduction
Households that incur monthly medical expenses by any household member who is elderly or disabled are allowed a deduction in the amount of out-of-pocket medical expenses paid in excess of $35 per month. Allowable medical expenses are provided at 7 CFR 273.9(d)(3).

Standard Shelter/Utility Expense Deduction
Households that incur at least one monthly shelter or utility expense are allowed a standard income deduction. Allowable shelter/utility expenses are provided at 7CFR 273.9(d)(6)(ii).

What does the Program Provide?
USDA donates a variety of foods to help participants maintain a healthy diet. The following foods are provided monthly: canned meats, frozen whole chicken, chicken breast, hamburger, roast beef, turkey breast. Bottled juice. Canned fruits and vegetables; dried beans, canned beans, peanuts and peanut butter, trail mix, egg mix, milk and cheese; pasta, flour, grains and cereals; soups; low-fat bakery mix; butter spread, butter, vegetable oil. We also have a variety of fresh fruits and vegetables: potatoes, carrots, onions, soup mix, cucumbers, cabbage, grapefruit, oranges, apples, grapes, honeydew melons and much more seasonal fruits and vegetables.

Food Distribution Hours
Monday through Friday
8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
and
12:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
(food issued no later than 4:00 p.m.)

Due to Covid-19 pandemic, for safety reasons, we are no longer having people enter our building, rather we are taking orders over the phone. We will accept drive up loading or we will deliver to your door. We will not enter your house.

Fresh Produce is delivered most Wednesdays

We will not issue food the last working day of each month. That is when we do inventory. NO food will be issued that day.

We plan to conduct cooking classes to teach clients how to prepare healthy meals.

The agency also offers Summer Lunch Program