

Guam Food and Nutrition Security Profile

Purpose

The purpose of the Food and Nutrition Security Profile (Profile) is to provide an overview of territorial and regional efforts and infrastructure to advance food and nutrition security. Although not exhaustive, the Profile serves as a resource to support greater collaboration across disciplines and sectors to improve equitable access to food. The intended audience includes public health practitioners, food policy councils, community-based organizations, food banks and pantries, school district wellness councils, food sovereignty organizations including Indigenous groups and coalitions, and others with a mission to improve food and nutrition security.

The Profile serves as a companion to the [National Food and Nutrition Security Profile](#) and will be reviewed and updated biennially. If you have any questions or comments about your Profile, please contact the Center for Advancing Healthy Communities at CAHCinfo@chronicdisease.org.

Food Banks, Pantries and Feeding Programs

- [Catholic Social Service Food Pantry](#) serves all of Guam.

Select Food and Nutrition Security Programs

Community Nutrition Education Programs

- [Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program](#) (EFNEP)
 - The implementing agency is the University of Guam.
- [Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Education](#) (SNAP-ED)
 - The Department of Public Health and Social Services is the agency responsible for SNAP-Ed. The SNAP-Ed implementing agency is University of Guam College of Natural and Applied Sciences.
- [Supplemental Nutrition Assistant Program](#) (SNAP)
 - [Guam SNAP Directory](#)

Micro-Grant Food Security Program

- Administered by the Guam Department of Agriculture, the USDA Agricultural Marketing Service [Micro-Grant Food Security Program](#) awards grants to eligible applicants to address food insecurity by enhancing the production and quality of locally grown food within Guam's communities. The program will provide sub-awards to support small-scale gardening, livestock activities, and projects focused on increasing food availability and improving food knowledge on the island facing food insecurity.

Senior Nutrition Programs

- [Elderly Nutrition Program](#) led by the Division of Senior Citizens.



Child Nutrition Programs

[United State Department of Agriculture \(USDA\) Child Nutrition Programs](#) contacts for implementing agencies of programs are listed below:

- Child and Adult Care Food Program
- Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program
- National School Lunch Program
- School Breakfast Program
- Special Milk Program
- Summer Food Service Program (SUN Meals)
- USDA Foods in Schools

Emergency Food Response

- USDA Food and Nutrition Service [State/Territory COVID-19 Waivers and Flexibilities](#)
- [The Territory of Guam Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan](#)
- [Federal Emergency Management Agency Regional Contact](#) – Region 9
- [Emergency Food Assistance Program \(TEFAP\) Contacts](#)

Other Key Food and Nutrition Security Organizations

- [Guam Green Growth](#) develops tangible solutions to sustainability challenges and contributes to a green economy for the island region, including community garden projects.

Data Sources and Resources

- [Hunger Cliff 2023: Guam](#) – Food Research Action Center
- [Child Nutrition Programs Dashboard](#) – USDA
- [Regional Demographic & Economic Profile](#) – Children’s Healthy Living Center

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