**PUBLIC RELEASE**

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 (Name of Institution)

announced its sponsorship of the USDA Child Care Food Program. Meals will be made available to enrolled children/clients at no separate charge without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. Parents'/clients’ income determines the amount of money USDA will reimburse us to provide meals to enrolled children/clients. The income eligibility guidelines listed below are used to determine our reimbursement from USDA. Children/clients from households whose annual income is at or below these levels are eligible to be counted for free or reduced-price meal reimbursements.

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| Family Size (Annual Income) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Each Additional Family Member -  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |  | ADD |
| Free | 23,387 | 31,616 | 39,845 | 48,074 | 56,303 | 64,532 | 72,761 | 80,990 |  | + 8,229 |
| Reduced Price | 33,282 | 44,992 | 56,703 | 68,413 | 80,124 | 91,834 | 103,545 | 115,255 |  | + 11,711 |

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This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Meals will be provided at: ***(List Name and Address of all sites)***

This Public Release will be sent to:

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 Name of Media Date