

Great Plates Delivered Yolo County

Frequently Asked Questions: Restaurants & Food Providers

On April 24, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom announced the launch of a first-in-the-nation Great Plates Delivered program. The program is designed to support adults 65 and older and adults 60-64 who are at high-risk from COVID-19, in staying home and staying healthy by delivering three (3) nutritious meals a day, and also provide essential economic stimulus to local businesses and workers struggling to stay afloat during the COVID-19 crisis. The following Frequently Asked Questions provide guidance to Yolo County residents and Restaurants and Food Providers in the area impacted by this program and choosing to participate.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

How does the program work?

Local administrators contract with multiple local Restaurants & Food Providers to deliver three (3) nutritious daily meals to enrolled program participants. Each community conducts outreach to known senior centers and senior populations to enroll qualified individuals in need. The program is locally managed to ensure needs of the communities within California are addressed.

Who qualifies for enrollment into the program?

The Yolo County Local Administrator has outlined the eligibility requirements. Selection is contingent on food provider's ability to meet volume and nutritional standards; source local produce/meats (if able); meet cultural needs; and prioritize local jobs, worker retention, worker health and safety, and standards of equity and fairness in employment practices, wages, hiring, and promotion. 100% of meals must be supplied by a food provider not currently participating in a state or federal meal service program.

How long will the program run?

The program runs until June 10, 2020, which is the timeframe currently approved by FEMA. The state intends on requesting an extension for the Great Plates Delivered program.



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APPLICATION AND MEAL DELIVERY PROCESS

How can I apply to participate in the program as a local food provider?

Interested Restaurants and Food Providers must participate in the request for quote, solicitation process in order to be considered for selection. Solicitation for this program begins May 22, 2020 and ends on May 25, 2020. Visit: <https://www.yolocounty.org/general-government/general-government-departments/financial-services/procurement/current-advertised-bids/> to find the bid. After selecting the bid you want, you will be redirected to BidSync, which is the platform the County uses to manage solicitations. You will need to create a BidSync account before submitting your application.

Are there any meal requirements?

Yes, each meal, at a minimum, must meet the following requirements:

- Breakfast low in sodium, no sugary drinks (<24 calories /8 oz. and of fruit juice, must be only 100 percent fruit juice allowed)
- Lunch / dinner a piece of fresh fruit or vegetable on each dish, and low in sodium, no sugary drinks (<24 calories /8 oz. and of fruit juice, must be only 100 percent fruit juice allowed).

How are meals delivered?

The Restaurant and Food Providers will determine how the meals are delivered. Individuals delivering meals are subject to background checks.

What are the food safety requirements for delivery?

Restaurants & Food Providers should continue to follow established food safety protocols and best practices for retail food establishments and important COVID-19 recommendations. Restaurant and Food Providers are required to adhere to the Yolo County Food and Safety Guidelines During Transport/Delivery. Additional Resources include the following:

- [FDA Guidance](#)
- [CDC Guidance](#)
- [CDPH Guidance](#)
- [Yolo County Transport Delivery Guideline](#)

How will I be reimbursed for meal deliveries?

Restaurants and Food providers will submit a weekly invoice with required supporting documentation.



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