



Emergency Fund FAQ

What is the Emergency Fund?

More than 80,000 children rely on school meals for their nutrition each day in Maine. As schools close across our state due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Full Plates Full Potential and our statewide partners have created an emergency fund to support schools and organizations to help them continue serving meals in their communities during school closures.

Who is eligible for funds through the Emergency Fund?

This funding is available to all public schools in Maine, regardless of eligibility, and to any approved Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) sponsor organizations on while funding is available.

Are there restrictions to how schools and organizations must use the Emergency Fund Grant?

Grantees can use their funding to support any effort to feed children during school closures, including: purchasing supplies or ingredients, transporting meals, paying for staff time, purchasing equipment, or marketing.

How often can I apply for funding through the Emergency Fund?

This funding is available every two weeks to all public schools in Maine regardless of eligibility and to any approved SFSP sponsor organizations while funding is available.

How can I help children in my community get the meals they need during school closures?

You can support your community by making a donation to our Emergency Fund Grant [here](#). 100% of all donations will go directly to a school or sponsor organization that is serving meals during school closures.