

Spending Ideas FOR Emergency Operating Costs Reimbursement Program Funds Child and Adult Care Food Program

Reimbursement funds must be deposited in the Nonprofit Food Service Account and **used in accordance with normal program requirements.**

ACCEPTABLE USE OF THESE FUNDS:

- To offset current deficit in Nonprofit Food Service Account
- Used in the future in accordance with normal CACFP food service operations.
- Investments in the food service program like purchasing more fresh vegetables and fruits to improve food quality, purchasing new or updated kitchen equipment, food storage containers, or serving utensils, plates, cups, etc., point of service systems, and/or hiring additional food service staff.
- Reimburse any local source of funds used to supplement the Nonprofit Food Service Account during the reimbursement period to offset the impact of pandemic operations on that account. This is a one time event and only time when this is allowed.
- Contact MDE to discuss other allowable options to maintain your nonprofit food service

ALLOWABLE COSTS

- Food Service Equipment
- Appliances under \$5,000
- Equipment to help purchase, store, prep and serve more fresh foods
- Kitchen or Serving Line Renovations
- Dining Tables and Chairs (shared cost)
- Purchase Higher Quality Ingredients
- Cooking Utensils, Pans, Small Appliances
- Point of Service Systems
- Family style meal service equipment
- Hire More Food Service Staff or Increase Wages (predetermined)

UNALLOWABLE COSTS

- Costs that Benefit Non-Food Service Programs
- Land or Building Acquisition
- Infrastructure Costs
- Educational or teacher supplies
- Security Cameras
- Public Announcement Systems
- Air Conditioning or Heating Systems
- Ask MDE About Other Unallowable item