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Feeding America Southwest Virginia Announces Summer Food Service Program Open Sites

ABINGDON, VA - (6/1/17) - Recent data from Feeding America's Map the Meal Gap study shows that 18.8% of children in Southwest Virginia are food insecure, compared to 12.8% of the total population. Summer is a particularly challenging time for food insecure children, as they lose access to free and reduced-price school meals.

Feeding America Southwest Virginia is participating in the Summer Food Service Program. Meals will be provided to all children without charge and are the same for all children regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability, and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service. Meals will be provided on a first come, first serve basis, at the sites and times as follows:

Abingdon Muster Grounds (Abingdon)
Dates: June 26-30, 2017
Days: Monday through Friday
Meals: Lunch (11:30am - 12:15pm) and Snack (10:15am - 10:30am)

Ft. Blackmore Day Camp (Fort Blackmore)
Dates: July 10-14, 2017
Days: Monday through Friday
Meals: Breakfast (10am - 10:30am) and Snack (3:00pm - 3:30pm)
Minnick Schools - Bristol (Bristol)
Dates: June 12, 2017 through July 20, 2017
Days: Monday through Thursday
Meals: Breakfast (9am - 9:30am) and Lunch (12 noon to 12:30pm)

Centennial Heights Apts (Haysi)
Dates: June 6, 2017 through July 25, 2017
Days: Tuesdays
Meal: Breakfast (10am - 11am) and PM Snack (3:00pm - 3:45pm)

Clintwood Library (Clintwood)
Dates: June 13, 2017 through August 1, 2017
Days: Tuesdays
Meal: Lunch (1:30pm to 2:45pm)

Cumberland Plateau Apts (Lebanon)
Dates: June 12, 2017 through August 4, 2017
Days: Monday through Friday
Meals: Lunch (1pm - 1:30pm) and PM Snack (2:30pm - 3:00pm)

Dungannon Development Commission (Dungannon)
Dates: June 21, 2017 through July 14, 2017
Days: Wednesday through Friday
Meals: Lunch (12 noon - 1pm) and PM Snack (3pm - 4pm)

East Stone Gap United Methodist Church (East Stone Gap)
Dates: June 5, 2017 through July 28, 2017
Days: Monday through Friday
Meals: Lunch (12 noon - 1pm)

Hunter's Ridge Apts (Richlands)
Dates: June 8, 2017 through August 10, 2017
Days: Thursdays
Meals: Lunch (1pm - 2pm)

Inman Village Apartments (Appalachia)
Dates: June 5, 2017 through July 31, 2017
Days: Monday, Wednesday and Friday
Meal: Lunch (11:30am to 1:30pm)

Pleasant View United Methodist Church (Abingdon)
Dates: June 5, 2017 to July 21, 2017
Days:     Monday through Friday
Meals:  Breakfast (9am - 9:15am) and Lunch (11:20am - 11:45am)

Ridgeview High School (Clintwood)
Dates:   June 13, 2017 through July 28, 2017
Days:   Tuesday through Thursday
Meals:  Breakfast (8:15am - 9:30pm) and Lunch (12 noon - 1:15pm)

Rosedale Baptist Church (Abingdon)
Dates:   June 5, 2017 through July 21, 2017
Days:   Monday through Friday
Meals:  Lunch (12 noon - 1:30pm) and PM Snack (5:00pm - 6:00pm)

Settler's Point Apts (Damascus)
Dates:   June 7, 2017 through August 9, 2017
Days:   Wednesdays
Meals:  AM Snack (10am - 11am) and Lunch (11am - 12 noon)

Wise Minnick Schools (Wise)
Dates:   June 12, 2017 through July 20, 2017
Days:   Monday through Thursday
Meals:  AM Snack (9am - 9:30am) and Lunch (12 noon - 12:30pm)

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1)    Mail: US Department of Agriculture
      Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
      1400 Independence Avenue SW
      Washington, DC 20250-9410

2)    Fax: (202) 690-7442; or

3)    Email: program.intake@usda.gov
About Feeding America Southwest Virginia
Feeding America Southwest Virginia was founded in 1981 and proudly commemorates 36 years of fighting hunger and changing lives through community partnerships. The Food Bank is an affiliate member of Feeding America. For the last three and a half decades, the Food Bank’s ultimate mission has remained the same: eliminate hunger in the region. The primary function of the Food Bank is to secure and distribute large quantities of food for the hungry. Approximately $26.5 million worth of food and grocery related products are channeled annually through a network of more than 330 partner feeding programs in our 26-county, 9-city region that provide food or meals to those in need. Visit www.faswva.org for more information or like us on Facebook.