

Children need healthy food to thrive. Kids in our state lack consistent access to it.

Many of the more than one million kids who rely on free school meals face a summer nutrition gap that threatens their health, well-being, and learning.

Your organization can help!

Schools, parks, libraries, and other places in low-income communities may be eligible to offer free, healthy meals and/or snacks through the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP).

Your organization will benefit as well. Summer meals add value to youth programs and may attract new participants. SFSP's public funding can cover food and related costs; in most cases, meals can be offered at little or no cost to the organization.

Learn more and get involved:

Visit SummerMealsNY.org for eligibility information, outreach resources, a summer meals mapper, and more.

Serve summer meals. To start, contact a summer meal sponsor in your area. Use our sponsor directory on SummerMealsNY.org or email SummerMeals@HungerSolutionsNY.org.

Spread the word about summer meal sites in your area. Post on social media, distribute flyers, and add information to your website.

Locate sites during the summer months by calling 211 (or 311 in NYC), texting "Food" or "Comida" to 304-304, or visiting SummerMealsNY.org.

Lots of places can serve summer meals:

- summer enrichment programs
- housing communities
- libraries
- farmers' markets
- health clinics & medical centers
- YMCAs
- Boys & Girls Clubs
- museums
- schools
- faith-based organizations
- public parks, pools and playgrounds
- summer camps
- and more!

