



ESF #6 IA Conference

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Mass Care/Emergency Assistance (MC/EA)

How to Create a Successful Feeding Team
Putting it All Together

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Multi –Agency Planning: Why?

- **Supports coordination, efficiency and effectiveness**
- **Reduces duplication and maximizes resources**
- **Integrates stakeholders in the process with a shared vision and ownership**
- **Encourages pre-planning awareness on a detailed level**
- **Develops relationships between stakeholders**

Putting it All Together :

Why a Template?

- **Template is a framework**
- **Provides guidance and is a tool allowing jurisdictions to tailor plans to their specific needs and requirements**
- **Encourages preparedness, consistency and collaborative activities to increase operational efficiency and effectiveness**

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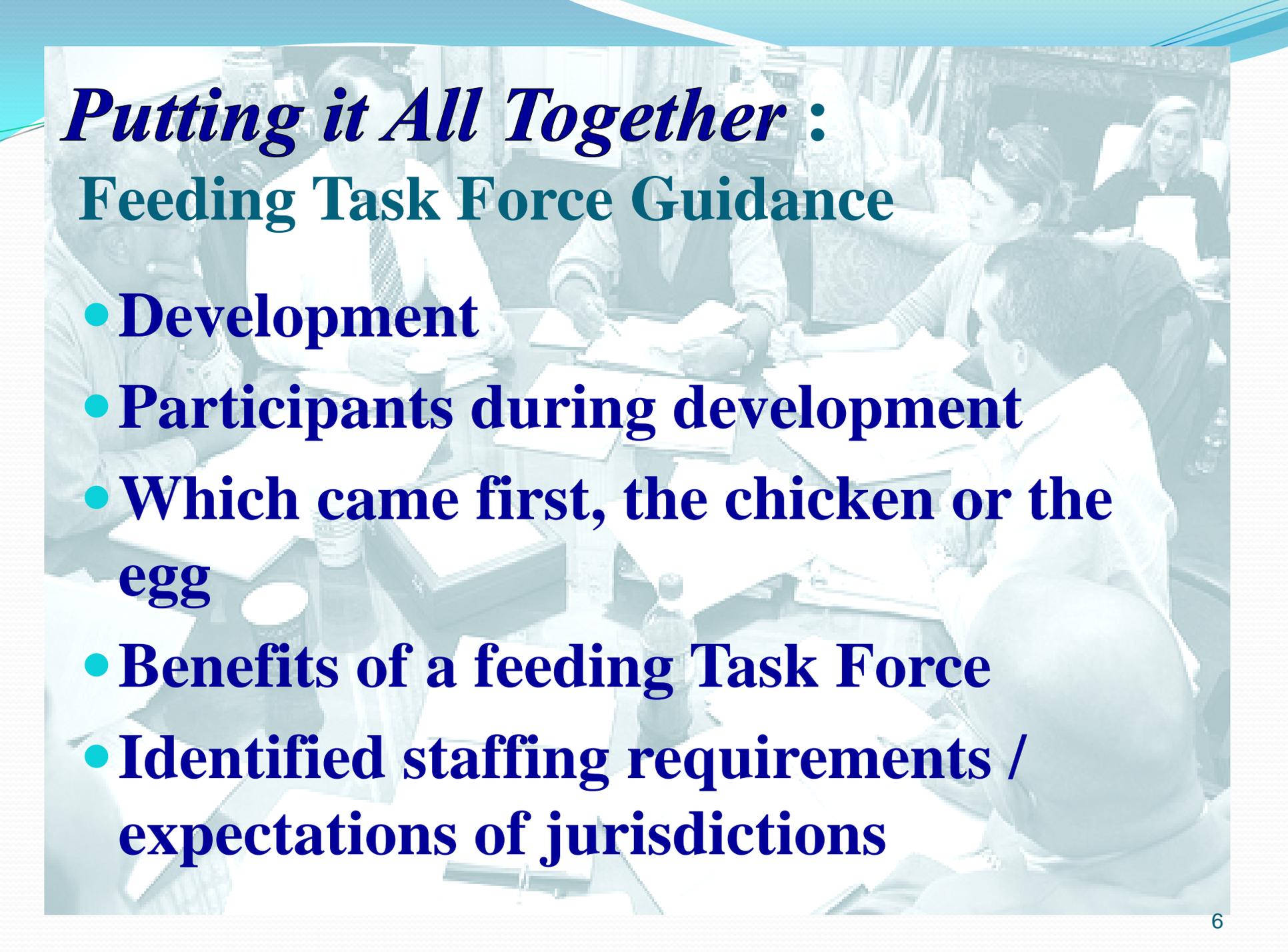
Benefits

- **Educational tool for all stakeholders including Federal partners**
- **Mutual understanding of State government structure and voluntary organization structure**
- **Allows for voluntary organizations to better integrate their resources**
- **Assists in identifying shortfalls for which external resources will be required**

Putting it All Together:

Multi-Agency Feeding Plan Template

- **Florida Exercise**
 - **Lessons learned incorporated into the Template**
- **Template updated to reflect FTF concepts**
- **Template is finalized and will be posted on the NVOAD website:
www.nvoad.org**



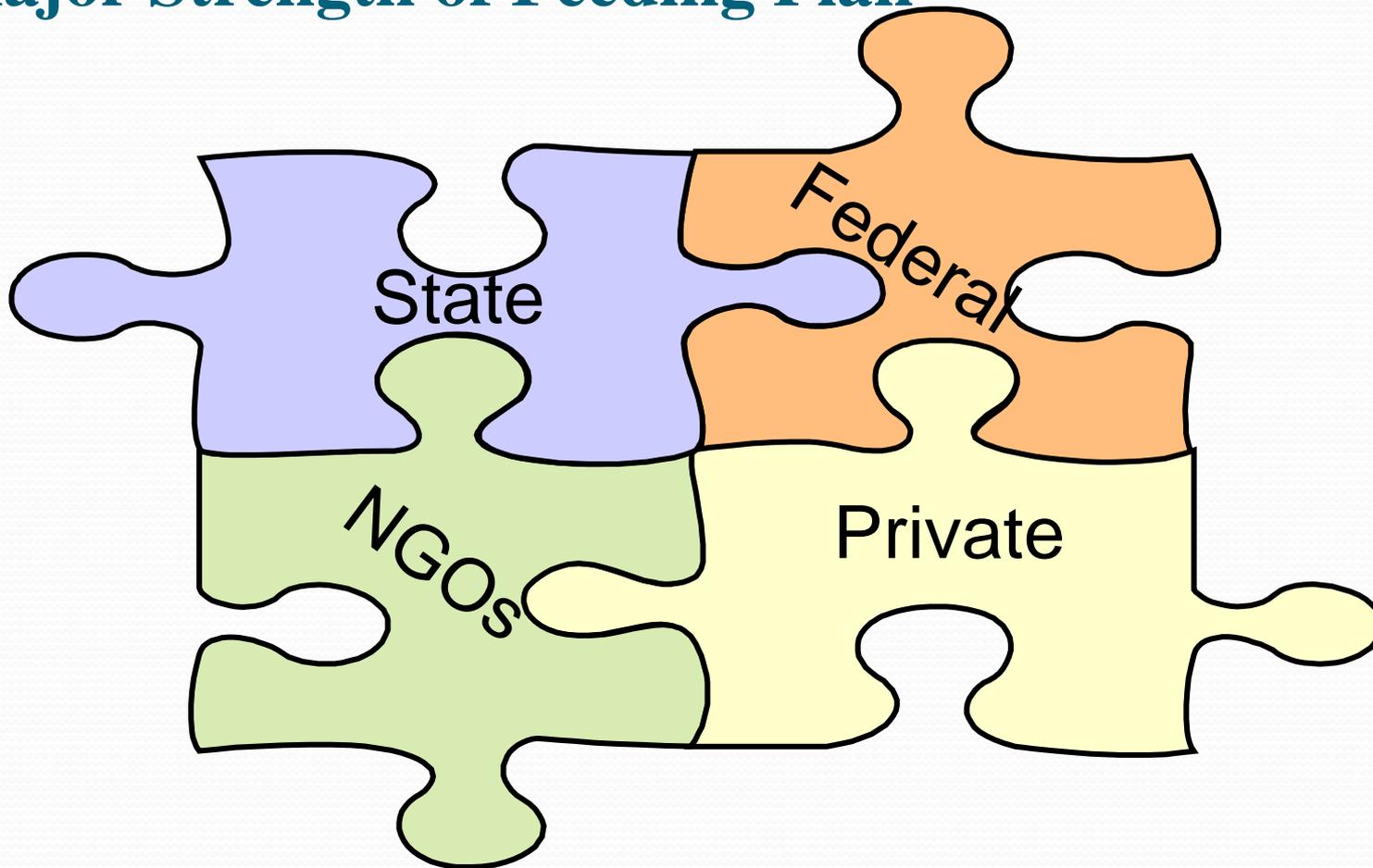
Putting it All Together : **Feeding Task Force Guidance**

- **Development**
- **Participants during development**
- **Which came first, the chicken or the egg**
- **Benefits of a feeding Task Force**
- **Identified staffing requirements / expectations of jurisdictions**

Putting it All Together :

USDA - FNS

Major Strength of Feeding Plan



USDA Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)

- **15 nutrition assistance programs**
- **Serving 1 in 4 Americans each year**
- **Over \$80 billion budget (more than 60% of entire USDA budget)**
- **Part of ESF-11 and support to ESF-6**



Types of FNS Disaster Food Assistance

- **USDA Foods**



- **Congregate feeding**
- **Household distribution in special circumstances**

- **Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (D-SNAP)**



- **Authority for flexible response**



Disaster Food Authorities

Two types of enabling authorities to provide USDA Foods for disaster assistance:

- 1) A Presidentially declared disaster or emergency, can provide Federal assistance to State and local governments as well as individuals (Stafford Act).**
- 2) An “FNS” declared situation of distress, CFR 250.43 provides authority to respond to commodity food assistance needs (\$500,000)**

Any other situation not declared by the President to be a disaster, but which, in the judgment of FNS warrants the use of USDA Foods for congregate feeding or household distribution.



Characteristics of USDA Foods

- **Provided free of charge**
- **Interstate transportation provided free of charge**
- **Same as commercial products**
- **Inventory varies depending on availability of products and nutrition program demands**
- **No prepositioned disaster warehouses**



Commonly Ordered Foods

Canned Fruit*

- Peaches
- Pears
- Applesauce

Fresh Fruit

- Apples

Canned Vegetables*

- Corn
- Peas
- Green beans
- Spaghetti sauce
- Vegetarian beans

Canned Juice*

- Apple
- Orange

Eggs

- Dried egg mix*

Milk Products

- UHT fluid milk*
- Cheddar
- Mozzarella

Pork

- Pork sloppy joe
- Pork crumbles
- Canned pork*

Chicken

- Frozen fajita strips
- Frozen cooked breaded chicken
- Canned chicken*
- Frozen cut-up chicken
- Frozen diced chicken

Turkey

- frozen deli breast
- Frozen hams
- Frozen roasts
- Canned turkey*

Grain*

- Rice
- Flour
- Cereal
- Macaroni and cheese
- Pasta

Beef

- Beef sloppy joe
- Beef crumbles
- Canned beef*
- Canned chili without beans*
- Canned beef stew*

Peanut and Oil*

- Peanut butter
- Vegetable oil

Infant foods*

- Infant formula
- Baby foods
- Electrolyte solutions

* Shelf stable



Characteristics of D-SNAP

- **Electricity restored, stores are open, and people can store and prepare food at home**
- **Eligibility criteria are relaxed to account for short-term financial distress**



Federal Disaster Authorities

- **Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act allows FNS to approve D-SNAP when a jurisdiction has Presidential major disaster declaration**
- **FNS further requires an *Individual Assistance declaration*, to align our services to individuals with other Federal disaster programs**

Without A Feeding Plan:

Duplication, Wasted Resources,
Unrealistic Expectations, Unfulfilled
needs ...



With A Multi-Agency Feeding Plan...

- Increased understanding of capabilities among Federal/State/local partners
- Realistic expectations
- Improved response and service
- Efficient Use of Resources

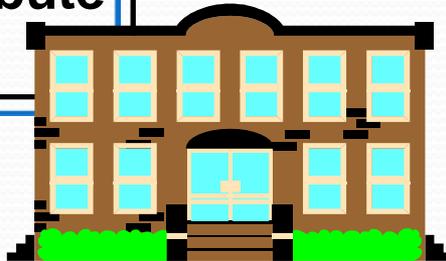


Request and Use of USDA Foods

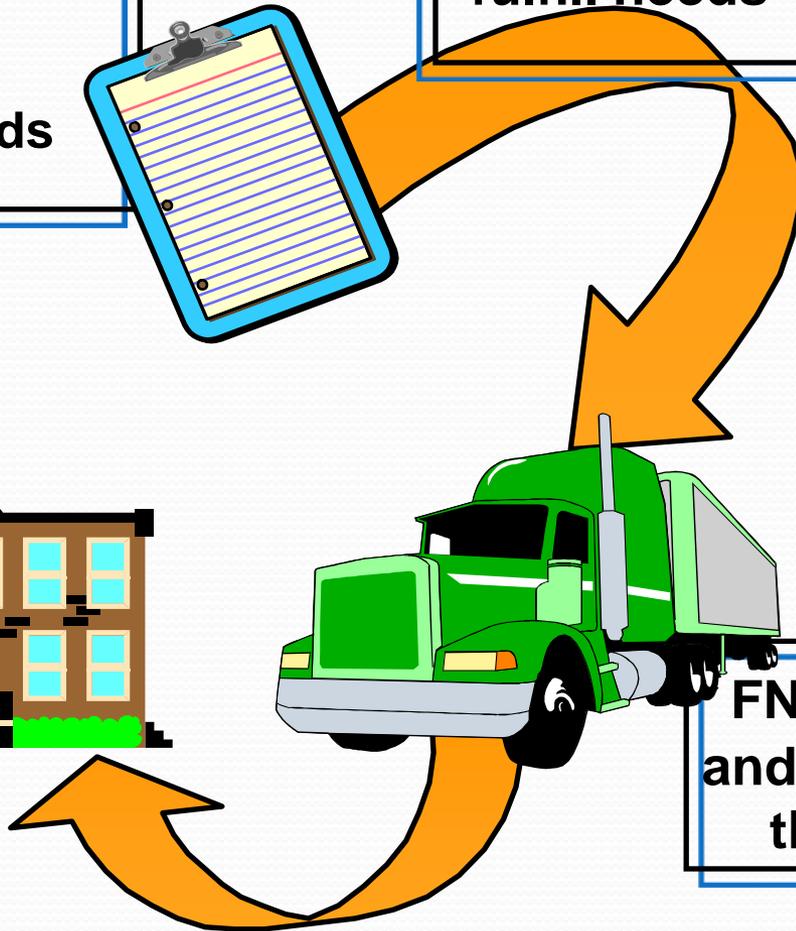
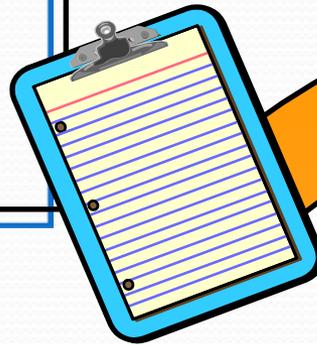
The Multi-Agency Feeding Task Force identifies feeding needs

ESF-11 – FNS commits USDA foods to help fulfill needs

Voluntary Organizations prepare/distribute the food.



FNS procures and transports the food.



2008 Responses

- \$1.4m in USDA foods, infant formula/baby food
- Almost \$458m in D-SNAP benefits to over 1.2 m households



Recent 2009-10 Responses



For Further Information

FNS Disaster Website

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/disasters/disaster.htm>

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Putting it All Together :

How are the tools being used?

- **Multi-Agency Feeding Plan Template**
 - **Florida**
 - **Maryland**
 - **Texas**
 - **Arkansas**
 - **Hawaii**
 - **Missouri**



Putting it All Together : Unique ways of doing things

- **Feeding Task Force Guidance Document**
 - King County, WA
- **Feeding Plan**
 - North Dakota
 - California
 - (Meeting next week)



New York State CEMP Human Services Annex

Food Group



New York State is.....

- ☀ A state with an international border, two Great Lakes and an ocean**
- ☀ Home to the financial center of the world**
- ☀ One of the largest ports and point of US entry**
- ☀ 300 miles wide, 340 in length**
- ☀ Home to 19.5 million people**



New York State is.....

☀️ **No stranger to disasters.....**

☀️ **1954 – Present 60 Major Disaster
Declarations**

☀️ **1974 – Present 19 Emergency Declarations**

☀️ **Floods, Earthquakes, Ice Storms, Power
Outages, Virus Threats, Hurricanes,
Tornadoes & Terrorist Attacks**

☀️ **So, what if on your way to work...**



**You see
this !**

**Then
what?**



The NYS Feeding Plan

- ☀️ **To date, NYS has not sought assistance from outside it's borders**
- ☀️ **New York State has extensive infrastructure to handle regional emergencies. These include 2 Cook Chill facilities, Prime Vendor food contracts and excellent VOAD cooperation.**
- ☀️ **The NYS Food Plan has been used and it works.**



New York Food Group

Lead Agencies

NYS Department of Health

NYS Office of Mental Health

NYS Department of Agriculture & Markets

Member Agencies

NYS Office of Emergency Management

NYS Office of General Services

NYS Department of Correctional Services

NYS Education Department

NYS Office for the Aging

* Non-State Member - Food Bank Association of NYS



New York State vs. Multi-Agency Feeding Plan Template

☀ **NYS focus is on keeping feeding programs running. This avoids new feeding needs.**

☀ **NYS food may come from state agency inventories**

☀ **NYS Foods are culturally sensitive**

☀ **Assumes the need to feed.**

☀ **Plan starts with food from vendors/USDA**

☀ **Food plan is vendor based**



NYS vs MAFPT

- ☀ **NYS Food Group consists mostly of state agency food providers and regulators supplemented by industry and NGO/VOAD through State Emergency Operations Center**
- ☀ **These entities have day to day working relationships**
- ☀ **Feeding Task Force is NGO's, Private Sector with State and Local Mass Care Leads**
- ☀ **(With most disasters contained within border, NYS will continue to use current structure)**



NYS and the MAFTP

- ☀ **NYS will blend existing NYS plan and MAFTP to have a seamless plan which will add the component for a larger scale disaster.**
- ☀ **NYS has components which work for NY, and the MAFTP has additional scalability which will incorporate**



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