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COMMISSIONER

September 18, 2019

Martin Shafer, President Kiwanis Fresh Air Camp 2400 Prosser Road Knoxville, Tennessee 37914

Dear Mr. Shafer,

The Department of Human Services (DHS) - Audit Services Division staff conducted an unannounced on-site monitoring review of the Summer Food Services Program (SFSP) at Kiwanis Fresh Air Camp, Application Agreement 00-041, on August 9, 2019. The purpose of this review was to determine if the Sponsor complied with the *Title 7 of the Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) applicable parts, provider agreement, and applicable Federal and State regulations.

Background

SFSP Sponsors utilize meal count sheets to record the number of breakfast, lunch, supper, and supplement meals served. Meals served by participating Sponsors must meet the minimum guidelines set by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and DHS to be eligible for reimbursement. The SFSP Sponsor reports the number of meals served through the DHS Tennessee Information Payment System (TIPS) for reimbursement.

We inspected meal counts sheets for our test period and reconciled the meals claimed to the meals reported as served for each meal service. We also assessed compliance with civil rights requirements. In addition, we observed meal services during our site visits throughout the review period.

Our review of the Sponsor's records for June/July 2019 disclosed the following:

The Sponsor reported the number of meals served incorrectly

Condition

The Claim for Reimbursement for the test month reported 649 breakfast meals, 660 lunch meals and 533 supper meals served. However, based on our review of the Sponsor's records, we

found that there were 656 breakfast meals, 670 lunch meals, and 541 supper meals served prior to any meal disallowances.

As a result, seven (7) breakfast meals, ten (10) lunch meals, and eight (8) supper meals were underreported. (See Exhibit)

Criteria

Title 7 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Section 225.9 (d)(5) states, "... In submitting a claim for reimbursement, each sponsor shall certify that the claim is correct and that records are available to support this claim...."

Title 7 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Section 225.15(c)(1) states, "Sponsors shall maintain accurate records justifying all meals claimed and documenting that all Program funds were spent only on allowable Child Nutrition Program costs. Failure to maintain such records may be grounds for denial of reimbursement for meals served and/or administrative costs claimed during the period covered by the records in question..."

Recommendation

The Sponsor should ensure that claims for reimbursement are completed correctly and based on accurate supporting documents.

<u>Note</u>: Our observation of the lunch meal service on June 25, 2019 revealed no significant deficiencies.

Technical Assistance Provided

Technical assistance was offered; however, it was declined by the Sponsor.

Corrective Action

The Sponsor must complete the following actions within 30 days from the date of this report:

Prepare and submit a corrective action plan to address the deficiencies identified in this
report. The corrective action plan template is attached. Please return the corrective
action plan to:

AuditServices.CAPS.DHS@tn.gov

If you have questions relative to the corrective action plan please contact:

Allette Vayda, Director of Operations Summer Food Service Program James K. Polk Building 15th Floor 505 Deaderick Street Nashville, Tennessee 37243 <u>Allette.Vayda@tn.gov</u> (615) 313-3769 We appreciate the assistance provided during this review. If you have any questions regarding this report, please contact Sean Baker, Audit Director 2, at 615-313-4727 or Sean.Baker@tn.gov.

Sincerely,

Sam O. Alzoubi, CFE Director of Audit Services

Exhibit

cc: Sheena Curley, Director, Kiwanis Fresh Air Camp Allette Vayda, Director of Operations, Child and Adult Care Food Programs Debra Pasta, Program Manager, Child and Adult Care Food Program Elke Moore, Administrative Services Assistant 3, Child and Adult Care Food Program Constance Moore, Program Specialist, Child and Adult Care Food Program Marty Widner, Program Specialist, Child and Adult Care Food Program Comptroller of the Treasury, State of Tennessee

Exhibit

Sponsor: Kiwanis Fresh Air Camp Review Month/Year: June/July 2019 Claim Reimbursement Total: \$6,301.85

Site Meal Service Reconciliation and Monitor Activity	Reported on Claim	Reconciled to Documentation
Number of Participating Sites for Breakfast	1	1
Number of Participating Sites for Lunch	1	1
Number of Participating Sites for Supper	1	1
Number of Breakfasts Served	649	656
Number of Lunches Served	660	670
Number of Suppers Served	533	541

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Corrective Action Plan for Monitoring Findings

Instructions: Please print in ink or type the information to complete this document. Enter the date of birth for each Responsible Principal and/or Individual in Section B. Attach the additional documentation requested. Enter your name, title and date of signature on the last page. Please sign your name in ink.

Please return ALL pages of the completed Corrective Action Plan form.

Section A	۱. Inst	itution	Inf	forn	natic	n
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Section A. motitution information					
Name of Sponsor/Agency/Site: Kiwanis Fresh A	Air Camp	Agreement No. 0004	SFSP ☐ CACFP		
Mailing Address: 2400 Prosser Road Knoxville,	Tennessee 379) 14			
Section B. Responsible Principal(s) and/or li	ndividual(s)				
Name and Title: Martin Shafer, President		D	Date of Birth: / /		
Section C. Dates of Issuance of Monitoring F	Report/Correcti	ive Action Plan			
Monitoring Report: 9/18/2019	Corrective Action Plan: 9/18/2019				
Section D. Findings					
Findings:					
1. The Sponsor reported the number of meals served incorrectly					
The following measures will be completed within 30 calendar days of my institution's receipt of this corrective action plan:					
Measure No. 1: The Sponsor reported the n	umber of meal	s served incorrectly			
The finding will be fully and permanently corrected. Identify the name(s) and position title(s) of the employee(s) who will be responsible for ensuring that the finding is fully and permanently corrected:					
Name:	Pos	sition Title:			
Name:	Position Title:				

Describe below the step-by-step procedures that will be implemented to correct the finding:
Describe below the stop by stop procedures that will be implemented to correct the infamily.
When will the procedures for addressing the finding be implemented? Provide a timeline below for implementing the procedures (i.e., will the procedures be done daily, weekly, monthly, or annually, and when will they begin?):
Where will the Corrective Action Plan documentation be retained? Please identify below:
How will new and current staff be informed of the new policies and procedures to address the finding (e.g., Handbook, training, etc.)? Please describe below:

I certify by my signature below that I am authorized by the institution to sign this document. As an authorized representative of the institution, I fully understand the corrective measures identified above and agree to fully implement these measures within the required time frame. I also understand that failure to fully and permanently correct the findings in my institution's CACFP or SFSP will result in its termination from the program, and the placement of the institution and its responsible principals on the National Disqualified List maintained by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Printed Name of Authorized Institution Official:	Position:		
Signature of Authorized Institution Official:	Date:	/	/
Signature of Authorized TDHS Official:	Date:	/	/

SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM SPONSOR APPEAL PROCEDURES

7 C.F.R. § 225.13 governs appeals in the Summer Food Service Program and the maximum time limit for processing appeals is nineteen (19) calendar days for the Summer Food Service Program as follows:

- 1. The Department shall notify the appellant (Sponsor) in writing of the grounds upon which the Department has based the action. The Department's notice of action shall be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, and shall also state that the sponsor or food service management company has the right to appeal the Department's action.
- 2. Appealable actions are outlined in 7 C.F.R. § 225.13(a) and are: A denial of an application for participation; a denial of a sponsors request for an advance payment; a denial of a sponsor's claim for reimbursement (except for late submission under 7 CFR § 225 9(d)(6)): the Departments refusal to forward to FNS an exception request by the sponsor for payment of a late claim or a request for an upward adjustment to a claim, a claim against a sponsor for remittance of a payment, the termination of the sponsor or a site, a denial of a sponsor's application for a site, a denial of a food service management company's application for a site; of a food service management 's registration, if applicable.
- 3. The time period allowed for filing the appeal where actions are appealable as specified in 7 C.F.R. § 22513(a) is ten (10) calendars days from the date on which the notice of action sent by certified mail return receipt requested is received.
- 4. The appeal must be in writing and must conform to the requirements outlined in 7 C.F.R. § 225.13(b) (4), which are set forth in number (6) below.
- 5. The address to file an appeal is as follows:

Tennessee Department of Human Services
Appeals and Hearings Division, Clerk's Office
P.O. Box 198996
Nashville. TN 37219-8996
Toll Free. (866) 757-8209
Local (615) 744-3900
Fax. (866) 355-6136
AppealsClerksOffice.DHS@tn.gov

6. The appellant is allowed to refute the charges in the notice of action in person, or by filing written documentation with the review official. If the appeal letter does not specifically request a hearing, a review of written documentation in lieu of a hearing will occur. To be considered, written documentation must be submitted by the appellant within seven (7) calendars days of submitting the appeal. An appellant is allowed the

- opportunity to review information upon which the action described in the notice of action was based.
- 7. If the appellant requested a hearing in the appeal letter, the appellant shall be given at least five (5) calendar days advance written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, of the date, time, and place of hearing.
- 8. If the appellant requested a hearing in the appeal letter, the hearing will be conducted within fourteen (14) calendar days of the receipt of the appeal. However, the hearing will not be held before the appellant's written documentation is received where the appellant has requested to submit the written documentation. The appellant may retain legal counsel or may be represented by another person. If the appellant institution or sponsoring agency is a corporation, partnership or other legally created entity, then the sponsoring institution or agency must be represented by an attorney. Otherwise, the individual representing the agency will have limited participation in the hearing. If the appellant institution or sponsoring agency is a natural person (not a corporation, partnership or other artificial entity), he/she may retain an attorney, represent themselves or be represented by another person. Failure of the appellant's representative to appear at a scheduled hearing shall constitute the appellant's waiver of the right to a personal appearance before the review official, unless the review official agrees to reschedule the hearing. A representative of the State agency shall be allowed to attend the hearing to respond to the appellant's testimony and written information and to answer questions from the review official. The review officer shall be independent of the original decisionmaking process.
- 9. Within five (5) working days after receiving the written documentation, and where a hearing was not requested in the appeal letter, the administrative review official, based on a full review of the administrative record, will inform the appellant, by certified mail, return receipt requested, of the official's determination.
- 10. Within five (5) working days after the hearing has been held, when a hearing was requested in the appeal letter, the hearing official, based on a full review of the administrative record, will inform the appellant, by certified mail, return receipt requested, of the official's determination.
- 11. 7 CFR. § 225.13(11) requires the Program's administrative action to remain in effect during the appeal process.
- 12. Participating sponsors and sites may continue to operate during an appeal of a termination.
- 13. Reimbursement shall be paid for meals served during the appeal process if the administrative review determination overturns the Program's administrative action that was appealed.

- 14. If the sponsor or site has been terminated for the reason of imminent dangers to the health or welfare of children, the operation shall not be allowed to continue during the appeal process and this reason shall be specified in the notice of action.
- 15. The review official will make a determination based on information provided by the State agency and the appellant, and on Program regulations.
- 16. The determination made by the hearing official is the final administrative determination provided under 7 225.13(12), and will become the Final Order and set forth the time limits for seeking judicial review.