



# Partner Agency Newsletter

August 2017

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## SPOTLIGHT: Anume Foundation

This month we are spotlighting the Anume Foundation, a beautiful farm in La Grange, Texas that donates 75% of its produce and sells 25% to area restaurants and farm markets. Anume donates to area partners such as AMEN Food Pantry, Schulenberg Food Pantry, and Bastrop Family Crisis Center, in addition to the Food Bank. Our team had the pleasure of volunteering and witnessing a day on the farm firsthand. We got our hands dirty planting a variety of vegetables and fishing from the farm pond.



The Anume Foundation uses heirloom seeds and organic compost and prides itself in its permaculture environment. The farm draws from its resources to feed others, which include: Fish hydroslate, tifton 85 hay, donkey manure, vegetable production waste, and naturally-balanced spring fed pond water. We are proud to be partnered with this organization that not only educates the public about healthy organic food, but grows and provides it for those in need in Central Texas!

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## Reminders and Resources:

**2017-2018 Intake Forms:** Now available in the [Agency Resource Center](#) online. Please begin using immediately.

## **\*Updated Policy Change\***

**Geographic Restrictions:** Beginning August 1, 2017 the Food Bank will start the first phase of a transition plan that will require Partner Agencies that serve the public to remove geographic restrictions on service. This will ensure compliance with new standards from the Texas Department of Agriculture and better support our community members in their time of crisis.

This change only applies to Partner Agencies that serve the general public. Your agency is affected by this policy if listed on the Food Bank's Emergency Food Assistance Referral List. However, if your site does not restrict by geographic location (zip code, county, etc.) you will not be affected by this policy change.

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### **Phase 1: August 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017**

Partner Agencies that are open to the public will serve clients outside their posted geographic limits for their first visit only and refer them to a nearby pantry in their area for future food assistance.

### **Phase 2: January 1, 2018- Onward**

Partner Agencies that are open to the public will serve clients regardless of geographic location.

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The Food Bank believes the long transition time into this policy will allow our clients to identify the pantry in their area and avoid a rise in clients accessing food. Partner Agencies may impose frequency limits on food access if client service totals become excessive. This policy will only affect food distribution; Partner Agencies may set geographic limits for other services. If your agency foresees issues with this policy please reach out to [agencies@centraltexasfoodbank.org](mailto:agencies@centraltexasfoodbank.org) to schedule time to speak with an Agency Relations team member. The Food Bank is committed to assisting partner agencies in the transition to this policy.

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## **New Partner Welcome:**

The Refuge Mobile Pantry is the newest addition to the Food Bank Partner Agency team! We are excited to have this mobile-dedicated organization on the streets of Copperas Cove catering to elderly and low income housing facilities, in addition to the public. Their dedication and passion is

unmatched, so please say hello or reach out for tips and tricks! **The Refuge Mobile Food Pantry:**  
916 W. Hwy 190, Copperas Cove, TX 76522

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## Closures:

The Central Texas Food Bank will be closed on Monday, September 4 in observance of Labor Day. There will be no pick-ups, deliveries, or shop-for on this day.

If you normally pick up or receive deliveries on this day, either order extra food the week prior or contact Michelle White at (512) 684-2150 or [mwhite@centraltexasfoodbank.org](mailto:mwhite@centraltexasfoodbank.org) to schedule an alternate pick up day. This closure will affect the ordering deadlines for ALL agencies who wish to pick up or receive delivery on Tuesday, September 5 and Wednesday, September 6.

If you pick up or receive delivery on:	Your order is due on:	By:
Tuesday, September 5	Thursday, August 31	9:00 a.m.
Wednesday, September 6	Friday, September 1	9:00 a.m.

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## TEFAP Forecast:

Here is a list of items we are expecting to receive from USDA/TEFAP in February:

Canned applesauce	Canned green beans	Rice crisp cereal	Canned beef stew	Spaghetti
Shelf stable milk	Dried cranberries	Canned corn	Canned tomato sauce	Dry pinto beans
Oats	Rice	Applesauce cups		

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