

Food Bank of Northern Nevada Senior Nutrition & Wellness Program

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What is Senior Nutrition & Wellness?

- Formally (and nationally) known as CSFP
- Shelf stable food and protein for low-income senior citizens
- Currently administered primarily through FBNN, but there are opportunities for agency growth...
- Currently serving over 2000 seniors a month



How Does Someone Qualify?

- Quick breakdown to qualify for SNWP:
 - Must be at least 60 years of age
 - Must be a Nevada resident
 - Must fall at or below the income guidelines
 - (See handout)

How SNWP Is Run Currently

- The primary way that we move SNWP out of the building is through distributions run by FBNN
- Many partners here today are considered drop off sites
- We are introducing agency enablement...

Agency Enablement?

- An opportunity for agencies to participate in running and administering SNWP
- This would provide many benefits to local clients as well as give agencies a sense of ownership and responsibility over the program

Let's Talk Benefits

- A wider neighbor reach in your local area equals better access
 - Agencies are better connected with their clients and are more likely to draw neighbors in
 - This leads to increased participation from neighbors
- Neighbors would have a wider window of time to collect SNWP food

What Would This Look Like?

- SNWP boxes would be delivered to the agency, after which they would run their own distribution
 - This may be its own distribution, or it may be during normal pantry hours while neighbors pick up other items/programs

What Would This Look Like Continued...

- Agencies would complete the application process with their neighbors
 - (See handout)
 - Applications would be sent back to me to keep on file
- Agencies would report to Oasis to keep track of assistance given
 - This would include Oasis training on SNWP

How Has This Been Going So Far?

- We have begun agency enablement that includes Oasis training with three agencies, all of which have seen dramatic increases in SNWP participants.
 - Jackpot Helping Hands
 - Carson Valley Community Food Closet
 - Walker River Paiute Tribe

How Has This Been Going So Far Continued...

- We have received great feedback from our neighbors stating that they love having a wider range of time to pick up their boxes, and it has been more convenient
- Within only months, numbers for WRPT jumped from 3-5 neighbors a month to 30+

How Can You Help?

- We are looking for more agencies to expand to, including agencies already involved in SNWP who do not yet report on Oasis
- If you are interested, please contact me at tcerny@fbnn.org or 775-331-3663 ext. 158

