

## REMINDER



Households are required to report any of the following changes within ten (10) days:

- ✓ Changes in income which would affect the households program eligibility.
- ✓ All changes in household composition, such as an addition or loss of a household member.
- ✓ When cash on hand, stocks, bonds, and money in a bank or credit union reach or exceed a total of \$2,000 or for households who have at least one member who is 60 years or older and/or have a disabled member must not exceed \$3,250.

Failure to report any changes which result in the household receiving benefits may have a claim filed for the value of food received.

## DUAL PARTICIPATION

Households are not permitted to participate in the Supplemental Food Assistance Program (SNAP) (formally Food Stamps) and the Food Distribution on Indian Reservations Program (FDPIR) program at the same time. Consequences include disqualification from both programs for 12 months.

## FAIR HEARING

Individuals who disagree with any action taken on their case has the right to request a fair hearing. You or your representative may request a fair hearing orally or in writing.

If a fair hearing is requested, your case may be presented by a household member or representative, (a legal counsel, a relative, a friend, or other spokesperson).

To request a fair hearing, call or write the program. You have 90 days from the date of the action to request a fair hearing.



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# Native Village of Kotzebue (IRA) Food Distribution Program

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## What is the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) Program?

The Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) Program is a federal program that provides commodity foods to low-income American Indian and non-Indian households residing on an Indian reservation or a household residing in a federally recognized (Alaska Native) tribal village, or households living in approved near areas that have at least one household member enrolled in a federally recognized tribe.

Eligible households are certified based on income and resource standards set by the federal government, and must be re-certified at least every 12 months.

The first federally recognized Alaskan tribes to participate in the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) program in 2007 are: Akiak, Alakanuk, Chitina, Hydaburg, Kongiganak, Hamilton, Nenana, Nunam Iqua, Old Harbor, Seldovia, and Stebbins.

## How Do I Apply?

Applications for the Food Distribution Program are available only in participating communities in Alaska. Households may file an application on the same day they contact their *tribal agency* Food Distribution Program. For more information please contact the ANTHC Food Distribution on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) Program using the contact information in this brochure or visit ANTHC's website.

## What Type of Food Does the Program Offer?

Each month participating households receive a food package to help them maintain a nutritionally balanced diet.



Participants may select from over 70 products including:

- Canned meats, poultry, and fish
- Flour; cornmeal; bakery mix; and reduced sodium crackers

- Macaroni and cheese; pastas; cereals; rice; and other grains
- Canned fruits and vegetables

The Food Distribution Program offers recipes and preparation tips to help participants utilize commodity foods in a nutritious way. Basic nutrition and proper storage information can be found at:

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