



JENNINGS COUNTY EMERGENCY FOOD & SHELTER PROGRAM

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JENNINGS COUNTY TO RECEIVE \$8980 IN FEDERAL FUNDS FOR EMERGENCY FOOD AND SHELTER PROGRAMS

Applications from qualified organizations are due by January 31, 2025.

Jennings County has been notified that it will be awarded a total of \$ 8980 in federal Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) funds for Phase 42, as appropriated by Congress through the Department of Homeland Security fiscal year 2024 funding.

The National Board consists of the U. S. Department of Homeland Security’s Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA); American Red Cross; Catholic Charities, USA; National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA; The Jewish Federations of North America, The Salvation Army; and United Way Worldwide. A Local Board comprised of representatives of these National Agencies is charged with distributing funds appropriated by Congress to help supplement food and shelter programs in high-need areas around the country. More about the national EFSP: efsp.unitedway.org

The Local Board will determine how the funds awarded to Jennings County are to be distributed among local qualifying agencies. The Jennings County Emergency Food & Shelter Program (EFSP) Board is encouraging local agencies that meet requirements to apply for the funds. More about the local program is available online at efsp.jcunitedway.org.

To qualify, local agencies must: 1) be private voluntary non-profit or unit of government, 2) be eligible to receive Federal funds, 3) have an adequate accounting system, 4) practice nondiscrimination, 5) have demonstrated the capability to deliver emergency food and/or shelter programs, and 6) if they are a private voluntary organization, have an active voluntary board of directors. Training for Local Recipient Organizations (LRO’s) is required and available online at efsp.jcunitedway.org. The deadline for applications is January 31, 2025.

Local agencies interested in applying for funding must apply online at efsp.jcunitedway.org

The program is administered by Jennings County United Way, 707 N State St., North Vernon, 812-346-5257.

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