

# *Building for the Future*

This facility participates in the Child Care Food Program (CCFP), a Federal program that provides healthy meals and snacks to children in child care settings. Each day more than 2.6 million children participate in the CCFP at day care homes, child care centers, and afterschool programs across the country. Providers are reimbursed for serving nutritious meals that meet USDA requirements. The program plays a vital role in improving the quality of child care and making it more affordable for low-income families.

## **Meals**

CCFP facilities follow meal requirements established by USDA.

| Breakfast                                     | Lunch or Supper  | Snacks (Two of the four)  |
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| Milk<br>Fruit or vegetable<br>Grains or bread | Milk<br>Meat or meat alternate<br>Grains or bread<br>Two different servings of fruits<br>or vegetables | Milk<br>Meat or meat alternate<br>Grains or bread<br>Fruit or vegetable |

## **Participating**

### **Facilities**

Many different homes and centers operate the CCFP and share the common goal of bringing nutritious meals and snacks to participants. Participating facilities include:

- **Child Care Centers:** Licensed or approved public or private nonprofit child care centers, Head Start programs, and some for-profit centers.
- **Family Day Care Homes:** Licensed or approved private homes.
- **Afterschool Programs:** Sites in low-income areas provide free snacks and/or meals to school-age children and youth.
- **Homeless Shelters:** Emergency shelters provide food services to homeless children.

### **Eligibility**

State agencies reimburse facilities that offer non-residential child care to the following children:

- children age 12 and under,
- migrant children age 15 and younger, and
- youth through age 18 in afterschool programs in needy areas.

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Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights  
1400 Independence Avenue, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- (3) email: [program.intake@usda.gov](mailto:program.intake@usda.gov).

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

### **Contact**

**Information** If you have questions about the CCFP, please contact one of the following:

#### **Sponsoring Organization/Facility:**

#### **State Agency:**

Florida Department of Health  
Bureau of Child Care Food Programs  
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Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1727  
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