

PARTNER COST-SHARING AGREEMENT Effective July 1, 2022

To help our partners operate effectively and to obtain and distribute more food and more nutritious food, with the support of our donors the Blue Ridge Area Food Bank offers the following cost-sharing structure.

Donated Food/Products – All food and products *donated* to the Food Bank are provided free to you.

Delivery Fees – Waived. Work with your local Food Bank Branch Manager to schedule deliveries at a mutually agreeable frequency and time.

Purchased Food - You share the expense of your purchased food by reimbursing 75% of the Food Bank's purchase price (**a 25% discount**). On occasion, and depending on availability, we may announce that costs for specific products are reduced or eliminated to move additional product quickly through our warehouses.

You can also access TEFAP/USDA Food at no cost

Qualifying partners may distribute food acquired by the Food Bank from The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) of the US Department of Agriculture. Healthy and diverse food options are available to you at no cost, including delivery fees.

And with updates to Virginia's TEFAP Plan, agencies are eligible – but not required – to provide USDA foods to clients once a week, with no limits on quantity of items per household.

Please inquire with your Partner Engagement Manager if you would like to explore the requirements of TEFAP food distribution and to see if your agency is eligible.