

Article 88A - Social Services Administration

STATEWIDE NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

130A.

(A) IN THIS SUBTITLE, THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(B) "APPLICANT" MEANS AN ENTITY THAT APPLIES FOR A GRANT UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

~~(C) -- "COUNCIL" -- MEANS -- THE -- MARYLAND -- STATEWIDE -- NUTRITIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM ADVISORY COUNCIL.~~

~~(D)~~ (C) (1) "FEEDING SITE" MEANS A NONPROFIT ENTITY THAT PROVIDES EMERGENCY FEEDING SERVICES.

(2) "SITE FEEDING SITE" INCLUDES A SOUP KITCHEN OR A FOOD PANTRY.

~~(E)~~ (D) "PROGRAM" MEANS THE STATEWIDE NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

~~(F)~~ (E) "DISTRIBUTION ORGANIZATION" MEANS A NONPROFIT ENTITY THAT DISTRIBUTES FOOD OR EQUIPMENT TO PRIMARY-DISTRIBUTION FEEDING SITES.

130B.

(A) THERE IS A STATEWIDE NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES.

(B) THE PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM IS TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO DISTRIBUTION ORGANIZATIONS TO ENABLE THE ORGANIZATIONS AND THE FEEDING SITES TO OBTAIN NECESSARY EQUIPMENT.

130C.

(A) IN THE COURSE OF REVIEWING AND AWARDING GRANTS UNDER THIS SUBTITLE, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONSIDER:

(1) THE EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS ACROSS ALL GEOGRAPHICAL REGIONS OF THE STATE;

(2) THE ADEQUACY OF EXISTING DISTRIBUTION ORGANIZATIONS IN THE REGION SERVED OR INTENDED TO BE SERVED BY THE APPLICANT;

(3) THE ESTIMATED POPULATION TO BE SERVED BY THE APPLICANT;