

(B) (1) THE FUNDS FOR THE PROGRAM MAY NOT BE RELEASED TO A GRANTEE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE UNTIL THE GRANTEE HAS ESTABLISHED THAT THE GRANTEE HAS OBTAINED MATCHING RESOURCES OR A COMMITMENT FOR MATCHING RESOURCES THAT IS EQUAL TO AT LEAST 50 PERCENT OF THE GRANT AMOUNT.

(2) THE MATCHING RESOURCES MAY BE IN THE FORM OF CASH OR AN IN-KIND EQUIVALENT ACCEPTABLE TO THE DEPARTMENT.

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IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES FOR ADMINISTERING THE PROGRAM, THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT SHALL INCLUDE:

(1) THE DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION OF AN ONGOING OUTREACH AND PUBLICITY PROGRAM TO ACHIEVE, AT THE EARLIEST PRACTICABLE DATE, THE WIDEST POSSIBLE DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROGRAM TO:

(I) POTENTIAL APPLICANTS; AND

(II) NUTRITION ADVOCACY GROUPS IN MARYLAND; AND

(2) THE RECEIPT AND REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDING; AND

(3) ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR APPROVED APPLICATIONS IN CONFORMITY WITH THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBTITLE.

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THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ANNUALLY REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR AND, SUBJECT TO § 2-1312 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE PROGRAM, INCLUDING:

(1) FINANCIAL REPORTS;

(2) DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS;

(3) COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION; AND

(4) OVERALL EFFECTIVENESS OF THE PROGRAM IN FULFILLING ITS STATED PURPOSE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1995.

Approved May 25, 1995.