

**Foodbank Grants, Department of Human Services, Office of Grants Management**  
 \$10.0 Million (N00I00.07)

**Purpose: Recovery Now Funding**

The Office of Grants Management shall distribute the amount authorized to the Maryland Food Bank (MFB) and Capital Area Food Bank (CAFB).

**April 21 - Program Highlights and Plans to Allocate Remaining Balance:**

- CAFB and MFB Recovery Now agreements have been executed.
- MFB food distribution budget is inclusive of food purchases and associated administrative cost (i.e., warehousing, storing, shipping and distribution) and allocated as follows;
  - \$87,224 for personnel costs; and
  - \$6,675,000 for food (Food to Network Partners and Back Up Boxes), as of April 7, 2021.
- MFB advised that food distribution activity will not take place until May 2021. MFB is currently recruiting for staff to handle the administrative functions of monitoring/reporting for this grant.
- CAFB food distribution budget is inclusive of food purchases and associated administrative cost (i.e., warehousing, storing, shipping and distribution) and allocated as follows;
  - \$165,144 for personnel costs;
  - \$2,610,560 for food (COVID Emergency and Produce Boxes); and
  - \$462,072 for warehouse costs.
- CAFB’s remaining food allocation as of April 13, 2021, is \$2,310,400;
- CAFB’s distribution activity from March 1 through April 4 is outlined in the chart below:

Jurisdiction	Product Type	Distribution Method	Food Distribution by Pounds	Meal Equivalent	Food Funds Expended <i>*Starting Balance</i> <i>\$2,610,560</i>
Prince George’s	Produce Boxes	Direct Delivery to Site	227,520	189,600	\$176,960
Montgomery	N/A	N/A	0	0	0

- CAFB is in the process of setting up additional partner networks and logistics for distribution activity in Montgomery county. Distribution activities will begin at the start of CAFB’s fiscal year which begins July 1.
- CAFB has hired a Grants Manager to provide administrative oversight and reporting specifically for the purpose of this grant.

### **April 21 - Programmatic and/or Implementation Issues:**

- MFB has expressed that they have not served anyone using the Recovery Now funding. They have also stated that they cannot confirm the funds spent until a week or two after the funds have been distributed by their partner networks. It would be helpful if DBM could contact MFB to ensure that the data is provided regarding the number of recipients served with the Recovery Now funding.