



## Step 2: Suggest Solutions and Screen

### 2.1 Suggest Food Security Solutions

#### *Ideas of Programs and Interventions*

Once unmet community needs are identified, the next step is for the advisory panel to brainstorm and suggest solutions. The completed **Program Inventory Worksheet** can offer inspiration. Remember, solutions can include new programming or modifications of existing programs such as expanding the number of locations.

#### **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program**

- Increase the number of eligible individuals who use the program by eliminating participation barriers and increasing awareness of the program

#### **Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children**

- Expand enrollment and outreach
- Increase the number of mobile clinics
- Improve collaboration between WIC and local health care providers

#### **School Breakfast**

- Breakfast After the Bell
  - Serve breakfast to all students in high poverty schools for free after the start of the instructional day
- Grab and Go Breakfast
- Second Chance Breakfast
- Eliminate reduced price co-pays
- Improve direct certification infrastructure
- Assist schools in submitting Community Eligibility Provision applications
  - Allows schools in high poverty areas to serve breakfast and lunch to all students, regardless of income
- Facilitate initiation of school wellness programs such as Fuel Up to Play 60
  - FUTP60 en Español offers program resources for students and teachers including a Spanish-language interactive Student Dashboard, an online Playbook with a collection of culturally-relevant content, including easy-to-implement healthy eating and physical activity plays, videos, mini-lessons, challenges and reporting activities.
- Submit grant applications for equipment to initiate Grab and Go and/or Breakfast After the Bell programs

#### **School Lunch**

- Eliminate co-pays for reduced price meals
- Improve direct certification efforts
- Integrate Smarter Lunchroom principles and other best practices to enhance the meal experience
- Initiate support for school wellness councils, teacher and staff in-services to raise awareness of food and nutrition security, and the importance of school meal participation and other successful programs



### **Summer Meals**

- Increase the number of participating sites
- Increase access to participating sites by decreasing transportation barriers

### **Child and Adult Care Food Program**

- Conduct outreach and technical assistance to expand the number of participating sites

### **Congregate Meals/Meals on Wheels**

- Expand the number of sites and clients served
- Provide more nutrition education, as well as social and medical nutrition therapy services

### **Community and School Gardens and Farmers Markets**

- Expand the number of sites
- Integrate culinary education
- Provide training on how to produce and market value-added products
- Seek partnerships that accept SNAP payment at farmers markets
- Seek partnerships that accept prescriptions from physicians for fruits and vegetables

### **Food Banks**

- Initiate or expand school food pantries, school backpack programs and other innovative programs