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## ABOUT THE BAYLOR COLLABORATIVE ON HUNGER \& POVERTY

The Texas Hunger Initiative (THI) was founded in 2009 to develop research and implement strategies to end hunger through policy, education, community organizing, and community development. In 2019, the Baylor Collaborative on Hunger and Poverty (BCHP) was launched as the umbrella entity for THI to address the complex nature of hunger and poverty at local, state, national, and global levels.

## BACKGROUND

As part of the effort to expand and ensure food security in Texas, BCHP works to increase awareness and access to federal nutrition programs that provide meals for children and low-income families.

During the summer months, Summer Feeding Programs-administered by the USDA's Department of Food and Nutrition Services and the Texas Department of Agricultureact as one way to ensure that children receive healthy meals each day. The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) was established to ensure that low-income children continue to receive nutritious meals when school is not in session. The National School Lunch Program's Seamless Summer Option (SSO) was created as an alternative for schools that already participate in school meal programs and wish to continue meal service into the summer. Schools, nonprofit organizations, and local cities serve as sponsors and typically have multiple meal sites within a county or region.

The purpose of this study is to document the perceived efficacy or inadequacy of the program by sponsor organizations in Texas that provided meals through Summer Feeding Programs during the summer of 2020. A unique challenge faced by sponsor organizations during the summer of 2020 was the COVID-19 pandemic which closed down K12 schools and childcare facilities in March in all 50 states as part of the U.S. nonpharmaceutical COVID-19 interventions ${ }^{1}$. The data reported here will be used as part of

[^0]BCHP's more extensive research goals to help sponsors run effective summer feeding programs.

## ABOUT THE SURVEY \& METHODOLOGY

The survey was distributed via an electronic Qualtrics link and completed online during the survey period from November 11, 2020 - November 21, 2020. A list of sponsor organizations was obtained from the Texas Department of Agriculture Open Data Portal. Using this list, the Center for Community Research and Development (CCRD) sent e-mail invitations to 1,183 sponsor organizations, resulting in 600 sponsor organizations responding to the survey. 367 of those who initially took the survey served as a summer meal sponsor, and 207 respondents did not serve as a summer meal sponsor in 2020. Of those who sponsored in 2020, 354 respondents identified as school and nonprofit sponsors. Respondents were entered into a drawing to win one of three $\$ 100$ Mastercard gift cards as an incentive for filling out the survey, and the CCRD sent out two reminder e-mails during the survey time period. Sponsors were asked about their 2020 experiences as well as plans to participate as a 2021 summer sponsor.

Survey participants were categorized according to the type of organization that they represented separated into five sections: School, Nonprofit, Local Government, Camp, and Other, as referred to in Figure 1. Due to the low selection frequency of three of the categories, they were removed from comparison tables and figures, as shown in Table 1.

Figure 1. Sponsors Affiliated Organization Type Which best describes your organization?


Note: total $\mathrm{N}=356$

Table 1. Adjusted Sponsors Affiliate Organization Type

|  | Survey Respondents |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
|  | N | Column \% |
| School | 325 | $91.8 \%$ |
| Nonprofit | 29 | $8.2 \%$ |
| Total | 354 | $100.0 \%$ |

The following document presents the main results from the survey and was prepared by the Center for Community Research and Development (CCRD) at Baylor University. The data shown represent valid responses where unanswered questions or respondents to whom the questions did not apply are not included in the data for the tables. Tables with the full range of responses from the collected data can be made available upon request.

For more information about the survey and analysis, please contact the CCRD by calling 254-710-3811 or e-mailing CCRD@baylor.edu.

## SURVEY RESULTS

## KEY FINDINGS

Overall, 83.9 percent of schools and 85.7 percent of nonprofits indicated that they were 'satisfied' or 'very satisfied' with their 2020 summer meals program. Additionally, 287 of the schools and nonprofits sponsors stated that they would sponsor the Summer Meals Program in 2021.

Over half of the school sponsors that participated in the survey are in rural areas (58.9 percent), while 65.5 percent of nonprofit sponsors were located in urban areas.

Although Sponsors reported an overall increase in sites from 2019-2020, the COVID-19 pandemic affected both sponsors' ability to operate their programs in 2020 and whether they will sponsor in 2021. However, sponsors creatively used waivers to serve families, and teamwork and communication with the sponsors' communities and TDA were noted as helpful during the COVID-19 pandemic.

When sponsors were asked about challenges experienced in 2020, most of the respondents selected 'low participation by children' as their primary challenge to sponsors in 2020. School sponsors noted that 'covering expenses related to new methods of meal distribution' was their second biggest challenge ( 34.3 percent), and nonprofit sponsors noted that 'acquiring PPE for meal service' was their second biggest challenge in 2020 (31.0 percent).

Transportation for children was selected by 43.6 percent of sponsors as a type of support that might help the program. Transportation for meals and new equipment for meal service were both the second highest selection from sponsors at 42.4 percent.
75.5 percent of sponsors stated that if they had additional funds, they would increase the number of children served. School sponsors also noted that they would increase the types of meals they offered ( 26.3 percent), and nonprofit sponsors noted they would increase their number of meal sites (57.1 percent) if given additional funds.

Only 23.3 percent of sponsors are in contact with a THI regional staff person with more nonprofit sponsors in contact with THI than school sponsors. While only about 18.3 percent of respondents reported receiving support from THI for their 2020 summer meals program, a large majority of those that did receive support reported it extremely helpful (63.9 percent of school and 83.3 percent of nonprofit sponsors).

Sponsor Descriptors
Table 2. Sponsor Status 2020 and 2021

|  | Sponsored in 2020 |  | Sponsoring in 2021 |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | N |  | Column $\%$ | N |
| Column $\%$ |  |  |  |  |
| School | 325 | $91.8 \%$ | 261 | $90.9 \%$ |
| Nonprofit | 29 | $8.2 \%$ | 26 | $9.1 \%$ |
| Total | 354 | $100.0 \%$ | 287 | $100.0 \%$ |

In Table 2, 287 schools and nonprofits sponsors stated that they would sponsor the Summer Meals Program in 2021. Among sponsors that indicated that they do not plan to be a sponsor in 2021, challenges such as being too remote and/or lacking participation to warrant the costs of operating the program were brought up. Transportation issues were also noted by several sponsors, especially regarding getting the children safely to their meal sites. Several specifically noted that the COVID-19 pandemic negatively affected their operations; one sponsor commented that:
"The cost of running the program and the recent hit from COVID-19 closure has made it difficult for our school breakfast program to recover. Although the summer program is a good program it was difficult to provide due to the costs."

Some sponsors who were previously not eligible or who lacked the capacity to conduct the program were able to sponsor in 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic increasing the need for the summer meals program and providing more volunteers to staff the program.

School sponsors were more likely to utilize the Seamless Summer Option funding (78.2 percent) than to receive funding from the Summer Food Service Program (21.8 percent). Nonprofit sponsors primarily obtained funding through the Summer Food Service Program ( 89.3 percent), while only 10.7 percent of nonprofit sponsors utilized funding from the Seamless Summer Option.

Figure 2. Federal programs selected by respondents Which federal program do you utilize to administer the summer meals program?


Note: Valid N=349

Figure 3. Number of years served as a sponsor How long has your organization served as a summer meals sponsor?


Note: Valid N=301
Over half of the school sponsors in 2020 had been sponsors of summer meals programs for 10 years or more, and many of the nonprofit sponsors in 2020 had been sponsors of summer meals programs for 6 to 10 years ( 31.0 percent). Compared to 2019 there was a significant increase of the number of new school sponsors in 2020,
3.8 percent of schools in 2019 were new sponsors while 20.2 percent of schools in 2020 were new sponsors. Nonprofit sponsors increased slightly in 2020 compared to 2019 ( 13.8 percent compared to 12.1 percent).
Figure 4. Number of sites in summer 2020 How many summer meals sites did you operate during summer 2020 ?


Note: Valid $\mathrm{N}=301$

Both school and nonprofit sponsors were most likely to operate between one and six sites ( 83.2 and 48.3 percent, respectively). Moreover, 47.8 percent of school sponsors and 24.1 percent of nonprofit sponsors operated just 1 site. School sponsors were most likely to operate in rural areas while nonprofit sponsors were more likely to operate in urban areas.

The COVID-19 pandemic of 2020 did impact sponsors in their service delivery. The effects of COVID-19 will be discussed in detail in the next section of this report. COVID-19 did affect when sponsors opened and closed their meal sites (see Figures $5 \& 6$ ). 68.9 percent of school sponsors started serving meals in March while 42.9 percent of nonprofit sponsors started serving meals in June. 30.8 percent of school sponsors closed their sites in June; however, 30.5 percent were still using SSO/SFSP to deliver meals at the time of this survey. 48.2 percent of nonprofit sponsors closed their sites in August,
showing the majority of nonprofit sponsors in 2020 had active sites for two months during 2020.

Figure 5. When did sites open in 2020 ? When did your organization first begin to distribute summer meals?
Note: We realize different sites may have started at different times. Please pick the first month any of your sites started serving summer meals.


Note: Valid $N=350$

Figure 6. When did sites close in 2020 ?
When did your organization end summer meal distribution?
Note: Please select the last month any of your sites were serving summer meals.


Note: Valid $\mathrm{N}=352$

Figure 7. Geographic area type Are most of your sites located in rural or urban areas?


Note: Valid N=326
Figure 8. Sponsorship of the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) Do you also sponsor an afterschool meal program offered through the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) at some point during the year?


Note: Valid $\mathrm{N}=301$

The survey also asked about the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP). Above, Figure 8 shows that 75.9 percent of nonprofit sponsors participated in the CACFP while only 29.6 percent of school sponsors participated in the CACFP in 2020.

The COVID-19 outbreak first documented in China, spread quickly across multiple countries and continents, becoming a concern in the US in the early part of 2020. From March 1st through May 31st, 2020, 42 states and territories in the United States issued mandatory stay at home orders which disrupted the economy as well as daily life for most Americans ${ }^{2}$. Further lockdown procedures from the U.S. nonpharmaceutical COVID-19 interventions closed K-12 schools and childcare facilities in all 50 states ${ }^{3}$.

COVID-19's health and economic impacts have disproportionately affected individuals with a low socioeconomic status ${ }^{4}$. The onset of the COVID-19 pandemic created an immediate increase in job search behavior, as many individuals were laid off from their existing jobs and families faced financial concerns ${ }^{5}$. Texas ranked eighth in the top ten highest rates of projected child food insecurity (CFI) in 2020 compared to 2018 with an estimated 2,124,960 children experiencing food insecurity in $2020^{6}$.

Overall, all sponsors were affected by the COVID-19 pandemic in their ability to sponsor the program in 2020, how they operated the program, and whether they will sponsor in 2021. But, in general, sponsors used a variety of waivers to serve families in creative ways during the COVID-19 pandemic.

[^1]Table 3. Select the SFSP and SSO waivers (Federal) which your organization used in adapting your feeding programs this year (2020) (select all that apply)

|  | Type of Organization |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | School |  | Nonprofit |  | Total |  |
|  | N | \% | N | \% | N | \% |
| Non-congregate Feeding | 264 | 84.1\% | 24 | 82.8\% | 288 | 84.0\% |
| Nationwide Parent/Guardian meal Pickup Waiver | 217 | 69.1\% | 13 | 44.8\% | 230 | 67.1\% |
| Meal Times | 203 | 64.7\% | 13 | 44.8\% | 216 | 63.0\% |
| Offer Versus Serve Flexibility for Senior High Schools for the School Year 2020-2021 | 131 | 41.7\% | 3 | 10.3\% | 134 | 39.1\% |
| Nationwide Meal Pattern Waiver | 91 | 29.0\% | 5 | 17.2\% | 96 | 28.0\% |
| SFSP/SSO extension | 78 | 24.8\% | 7 | 24.1\% | 85 | 24.8\% |
| SFSP/SSO Meal Service Times (Regular Summer) | 73 | 23.3\% | 11 | 37.9\% | 84 | 24.5\% |
| SFSP/SSO Area Eligibility Waiver | 69 | 22.0\% | 4 | 13.8\% | 73 | 21.3\% |
| SFSP/SSO Closed Enrolled Sites (Regular Summer) | 42 | 13.4\% | 2 | 6.9\% | 44 | 12.8\% |
| SFSP First Week Site Visits (Regular Summer) | 31 | 9.9\% | 5 | 17.2\% | 36 | 10.5\% |
| Nationwide Waivers of child Nutrition Monitoring | 28 | 8.9\% | 6 | 20.7\% | 34 | 9.9\% |
| SFSP Offer Versus Serve (Regular Summer) | 26 | 8.3\% | 3 | 10.3\% | 29 | 8.5\% |
| Afterschool Activity | 22 | 7.0\% | 5 | 17.2\% | 27 | 7.9\% |
| Nationwide Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) Data Waiver | 24 | 7.6\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 24 | 7.0\% |
| Pre-approved Flexibility | 7 | 2.2\% | 5 | 17.2\% | 12 | 3.5\% |
| 60 Day reporting requirement Waiver | 2 | 0.6\% | 1 | 3.5\% | 3 | 0.9\% |
| Other | 8 | 2.6\% | 1 | 3.5\% | 9 | 2.6\% |
| Don't Know | 15 | 4.8\% | 2 | 6.9\% | 17 | 5.0\% |

Note: Valid N=343

Sponsors also ranked how useful they felt the waivers they used were to them. A mean score was calculated. The lower the mean, the more useful sponsors found the waiver. Both schools and nonprofits found the Non-congregate Feeding Waiver to be most useful with a mean of 1.7 and 1.5, respectively, followed by the Meal Time Waiver (mean of 2.9 and 2.5 , respectively). Further rankings can be found in Appendix One.

Many organizations reported COVID-19 impacting their programs in some way. For organizations already planning on serving summer meals prior to the COVID-19 shutdowns, the most common change they made to their program was changing the format to a delivery or grab-and-go format (see Table 21 in Appendix Two). In thinking about serving meals during a pandemic, we asked all sponsors what worked well for them. Overwhelmingly, sponsors indicated that the grab-and-go format worked well. Packaging multiple meals and staff and community communication were also mentioned often (see Table 22 in Appendix Two).

COVD was also noted as a reason for both decreases and increases in sites and participation. Of the $20 \%$ of sponsors overall that indicated a decrease in the number of sites from 2019-2020, 42.1\% of schools and 100\% of the nonprofits indicated that local/state COVID restrictions contributed to that decline (see Table 4). Similarly, while most sponsors reported an increase in daily participation at their sites, of the $34.1 \%$ that did report a decrease, $50.6 \%$ of schools and $100 \%$ of nonprofit sponsors noted local/state COVID restrictions as a reason for this decrease (see Table 5). For additional challenges, including COVID-related challenges, see Table 7. About half (51.4\%) of sponsors indicated an increase in daily participation to which $91.3 \%$ of schools and $90.0 \%$ of nonprofits selected COVID as a reason for that increase (see Table 6).

Specifically thinking about running sites during a pandemic, we asked sponsors what precautions they took to protect volunteers, staff, and families. The most common protection methods utilized by sponsors were the grab-and-go/drive thru sites and providing personal protection equipment (PPE) for volunteers and staff (see Figure 9).

Figure 9. COVID-19 Precautions at Meal Sites
What precautions did your sites take to protect volunteers, staff, and families? (select all that apply)


Note: Valid N = 313

Respondents were asked what could have helped them be more successful, and some common themes included food preparation and more supplies, less restrictions/bureaucracy, and additional funding (see Table 23 in Appendix Two)

## Participation and Sites

Both school and nonprofit sponsors experienced increases to the number of meal sites compared to 2019 ( 60.9 and 45.8 percent, respectively), but 38.5 percent of the nonprofit sponsors noted a decrease in the number of meal sites compared to 2019.

Figure 10. Number of meal sites How did the number of summer meal sites in 2020 compare to $2019 ?$


Note: Valid N=272

Respondents who reported a decrease in sites were asked to select all the potential reasons for the decline in the number of sites (please note that categories are not mutually exclusive as each sponsor could choose multiple reasons). The most commonly selected reason for school sponsors was 'lack of participation' (56.1 percent), followed by ‘Local/state COVID restrictions’ (42.1 percent). 'Local/state COVID restrictions’ was the most common reason for the decrease in the number of sites for nonprofit sponsors in 2020 (100 percent). Respondents could also select 'Other,' which included a write-in option. The most common comments given in the write-in option were regarding the effect of the COVID-19 pandemic on summer meals operations. Many sponsors were led to provide alternative meal delivery options that did not require multiple sites, while others reported closing down sites due to outbreaks. Another common response was a lack of activities or a lack of summer school sessions (see Appendix Two).

Table 4. What contributed to the decline in sites? (select all that apply)

|  | Type of Organization |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | School |  | Nonprofit |  | Total |  |
|  | N |  | $\%$ | N | $\%$ | N |
| $\%$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 25 | $42.1 \%$ | 9 | $100.0 \%$ | 34 | $50.0 \%$ |
| Lack of participation at sites | 32 | $56.1 \%$ | 1 | $11.1 \%$ | 33 | $50.0 \%$ |
| Transportation issues | 9 | $15.8 \%$ | 0 | $0.0 \%$ | 9 | $13.6 \%$ |
| Lack of staff | 3 | $5.3 \%$ | 0 | $0.0 \%$ | 3 | $4.6 \%$ |
| Construction/facility issues | 2 | $3.5 \%$ | 0 | $0.0 \%$ | 2 | $3.0 \%$ |
| Lack of adequate funding | 0 | $0.0 \%$ | 0 | $0.0 \%$ | 0 | $0.0 \%$ |
| Other | 8 | $14.0 \%$ | 1 | $11.1 \%$ | 9 | $13.6 \%$ |

Note: Valid N=66

Figure 11. Average daily participation
Overall, how did your organization's ADP (average daily participation) in 2020 compare to 2019?


School


Nonprofit

- Increased
- Stayed the same Decreased

Note: Valid $\mathrm{N}=257$

Compared to 2019, 101 respondents ( 91 school sponsors and 10 nonprofit sponsors) noticed a decrease in their average daily attendance. 'Local/state COVID restrictions’ are noted to be the principal reason behind the decrease in participation for school and nonprofit sponsors (50.6 and 100.0 percent, respectively).

Sponsors that reported a drop in participation were asked to identify all factors that contributed to a decline in participation in a follow-up question. Respondents that
chose 'other' had the option to write-in their responses, which can be found in appendix two.

Table 5. Contributors to the decrease in participation (select all that apply)

|  | Type of Organization |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | School |  | Nonprofit |  | Total |  |
|  | N | \% | N | \% | N | \% |
| Local/state COVID restrictions | 44 | 50.6\% | 9 | 100.0\% | 53 | 55.2\% |
| Children/families are aware of program, but choose not to participate | 33 | 37.9\% | 2 | 22.2\% | 35 | 36.5\% |
| Transportation/accessibility of site | 22 | 25.3\% | 2 | 22.2\% | 24 | 25.0\% |
| Drop in summer school enrollment | 21 | 24.1\% | 1 | 11.1\% | 22 | 22.9\% |
| Fewer sites are operating | 13 | 14.9\% | 2 | 22.2\% | 15 | 15.6\% |
| Change in type of meals served at site | 10 | 11.5\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 10 | 10.4\% |
| Lack of awareness | 6 | 6.9\% | 2 | 22.2\% | 8 | 8.3\% |
| Fear of COVID/COVID general | 5 | 6.0\% | 1 | 11.1\% | 6 | 6.3\% |
| Limited or lack of activities offered at site | 5 | 5.8\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 5 | 5.2\% |
| Timing of meal service | 2 | 2.3\% | 1 | 11.1\% | 3 | 3.1\% |
| Operating fewer days during the summer | 1 | 1.2\% | 2 | 22.2\% | 3 | 3.1\% |
| Food quality | 2 | 2.3\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 2 | 2.1\% |
| Meals disallowed by state agency | 0 | 0.0\% | 1 | 11.1\% | 1 | 1.0\% |
| Other | 13 | 14.9\% | 1 | 11.1\% | 14 | 14.6\% |
| I don't know | 4 | 4.6\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 4 | 4.2\% |

Note: Valid N=96
Compared to 2019, 152 respondents (139 school sponsors and 13 nonprofit sponsors) noticed an increase in their average daily attendance. Most of these sponsors attributed this increase to COVID-19 (see Table 5), among other things. This result is not surprising as the majority of school sponsors started their programs early in March after schools were shut down (68.9 percent). Most nonprofit sponsors started their programs in June (42.9 percent), but 21.4 percent also started early in March (see Figure 5). Sponsors were asked to identify the factors that contributed to the increase in participation. Respondents that chose 'other' had the option to write-in their responses, which can be found in Appendix Two.

Table 6. What contributed to the increase in participation? (select all that apply)

|  | Type of organization |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | School |  | Nonprofit |  | Total |  |
|  | N | \% | N | \% | N | \% |
| Increased need due to COVID | 116 | 91.3\% | 9 | 90.0\% | 125 | 91.2\% |
| Introduction of different delivery methods | 46 | 36.2\% | 4 | 40.0\% | 50 | 36.5\% |
| Accommodating service times | 40 | 31.5\% | 5 | 50.0\% | 45 | 32.8\% |
| More operating sites | 28 | 22.1\% | 3 | 30.0\% | 31 | 22.6\% |
| Increased days of service | 21 | 16.5\% | 3 | 30.0\% | 24 | 17.5\% |
| Effective marketing | 16 | 12.6\% | 3 | 30.0\% | 19 | 13.9\% |
| Improved food quality | 6 | 4.7\% | 3 | 30.0\% | 9 | 6.6\% |
| Increased economies of scale | 2 | 1.6\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 2 | 1.5\% |
| Increased summer school enrollment | 2 | 1.6\% | 1 | 10.0\% | 3 | 2.2\% |
| Improved programming | 2 | 1.6\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 2 | 1.5\% |
| I don't know | 1 | 79.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1 | 0.7\% |
| Other | 14 | 11.0\% | 3 | 30.0\% | 17 | 12.4\% |

Note: Valid $N=137$
When sponsors were asked about challenges experienced in 2020, 'low participation by children' was identified as the primary challenge to school and nonprofit sponsors in 2020 ( 38.7 and 34.5 percent, respectively). School sponsors noted that 'covering expenses related to new methods of meal distribution' was their second biggest challenge (34.3 percent) while nonprofit sponsors noted that 'acquiring PPE for meal service' was their second biggest challenge in 2020 ( 31.0 percent). "Other" challenges that respondents reported included trouble acquiring and transporting food items, implementing new meal delivery procedures, transporting children to meal sites, and COVID-19 affecting summer school and causing school closures (see Appendix Two).

Table 7. Challenges for sponsors (select all that apply)

|  | Type of Organization |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | School |  | Nonprofit |  | Total |  |
|  | N | \% | N | \% | N | \% |
| Low participation by children | 116 | 38.7\% | 10 | 34.5\% | 126 | 38.3\% |
| Covering expenses related to new methods of meal distribution | 103 | 34.3\% | 5 | 17.2\% | 108 | 32.6\% |
| Precuring menu items | 83 | 27.7\% | 6 | 20.7\% | 89 | 26.9\% |
| Acquiring PPE for meal service | 60 | 20.0\% | 9 | 31.0\% | 69 | 20.9\% |
| Insufficient staff capacity to serve meals | 55 | 18.3\% | 4 | 13.8\% | 59 | 17.8\% |
| Experienced no challenges | 48 | 16.0\% | 3 | 10.3\% | 51 | 16.0\% |
| Transportation | 45 | 15.0\% | 5 | 17.2\% | 50 | 15.1\% |
| Filing paperwork | 43 | 14.3\% | 3 | 10.3\% | 46 | 13.9\% |
| Insufficient funds to cover costs of meals | 36 | 12.0\% | 1 | 3.5\% | 37 | 11.2\% |
| Amount of reimbursement | 33 | 11.0\% | 2 | 6.9\% | 35 | 10.6\% |
| Lack of information about safety protocols related to COVID | 22 | 7.3\% | 3 | 10.3\% | 25 | 7.6\% |
| Health Department policies | 11 | 3.7\% | 3 | 10.3\% | 14 | 4.2\% |
| Unable to get enough sites to serve meals | 3 | 1.0\% | 8 | 27.6\% | 11 | 3.3\% |
| Unable to provide quality meals | 6 | 2.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 6 | 1.8\% |
| Unable to successfully transport meals to sites | 6 | 2.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 6 | 1.8\% |
| Other | 23 | 7.7\% | 3 | 10.3\% | 26 | 7.9\% |

Note: Valid N=329

## Funding Sources and Utilization

Sponsors were asked a hypothetical question about what they would do if they had additional funds. 75.5 percent of sponsors selected that they would increase the number of children they served. School sponsors also noted that they would increase the types of meals they offered ( 26.3 percent) while nonprofit sponsors expressed interest in increasing their number of meal sites (57.1 percent) if given additional funds.

Table 8. What would your organization consider expanding with additional funds? (select all that apply)

|  | Organization |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | School |  | Nonprofit |  | Total |  |
|  | N |  | $\%$ |  | N | $\%$ |
| Increased number of chil- <br> dren served | 177 | $75.0 \%$ | 23 | $82.1 \%$ | 200 | $75.5 \%$ |
| Increase types of meals of- <br> fered | 62 | $26.3 \%$ | 12 | $42.9 \%$ | 75 | $28.3 \%$ |
| Increased number of sites | 46 | $19.5 \%$ | 16 | $57.1 \%$ | 62 | $23.4 \%$ |
| Increased number of <br> meals offered | 44 | $18.6 \%$ | 6 | $21.4 \%$ | 50 | $18.9 \%$ |
| Increased number of days <br> current sites open | 40 | $17.0 \%$ | 5 | $17.9 \%$ | 45 | $17.0 \%$ |
| Other | 14 | $5.9 \%$ | 4 | $14.3 \%$ | 18 | $6.8 \%$ |

Note: Valid $\mathrm{N}=264$

Figure 12. Meals reimbursed
Overall, how did your organization's total number of meals reimbursed in 2020 compare to 2019?


Note: Valid $N=282$

When asked about actual 2020 meals reimbursement, most school sponsors reported that reimbursements increased in 2020 compared to 2019. More nonprofit sponsors
reported a decrease in meal reimbursement. Furthermore, nonprofits ( 61.5 percent) reported needing additional funds outside of TDA to operate their 2020 summer program. Due to the many different types of waivers used this past summer, we also asked about timing of reimbursements. The large majority ( 92.6 percent) of sponsors indicated that they expected to receive reimbursements for all meals served by December 31, 2020 ( 6.5 percent did not expect to and 3.3 percent left additional comments, see Table 20 in Appendix Two).

School sponsors stated additional funding came from school general funds and nutrition department funds ( 64.7 and 38.4 percent, respectively). Nonprofit sponsors received additional funding principally from grants, individual donors, and funding from other programs within their organization. "Other" funding sources included general operating funds, fundraisers, and loans (see Appendix Two). Most sponsors that reported utilizing additional funds used them toward staff and food costs (see Table 10).

Figure 13. Necessity of additional funds In summer 2020, did your program pay for itself, or did it require additional funds outside of Texas Department of Agriculture's meal reimbursements to operate?


[^2]Table 9. What is the source of additional funds? (select all that apply)

|  | Organization |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | School |  | Nonprofit |  | Total |  |
|  | N | \% | N | \% | N | \% |
| School General Fund | 64 | 64.7\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 64 | 56.1\% |
| Nutrition Department Funds | 38 | 38.4\% | 1 | 6.7\% | 39 | 34.2\% |
| Grants | 8 | 8.1\% | 5 | 33.3\% | 13 | 11.4\% |
| Individual donors | 5 | 5.1\% | 7 | 46.7\% | 12 | 10.5\% |
| Founding from other programs within your organization | 1 | 1.0\% | 7 | 46.7\% | 8 | 7.0\% |
| Other | 0 | 0.0\% | 3 | 20.0\% | 3 | 2.6\% |

Note: Valid $\mathrm{N}=114$
Table 10. How did you use additional funds? (select all that apply)

|  | Type of Organization |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | School |  | Nonprofit |  | Total |  |
|  | N | \% | N | \% | N | \% |
| Support staffing costs | 81 | 83.5\% | 11 | 68.8\% | 92 | 81.4\% |
| Cover food costs | 74 | 76.3\% | 8 | 50.0\% | 82 | 72.6\% |
| Supplies to prepare, store, deliver food | 43 | 44.3\% | 6 | 37.5\% | 49 | 43.4\% |
| Provide PPE for meal prep or delivery | 43 | 44.3\% | 6 | 37.5\% | 49 | 43.4\% |
| Cover transportation costs for food | 21 | 21.7\% | 2 | 12.5\% | 23 | 20.4\% |
| Provide additional meal or snack | 3 | 3.1\% | 7 | 43.8\% | 10 | 8.8\% |
| Provide meals to parents | 4 | 4.1\% | 2 | 12.5\% | 6 | 5.3\% |
| Support activities for children | 1 | 1.0\% | 1 | 6.3\% | 2 | 1.8\% |
| Other | 0 | 0.0\% | 1 | 6.3\% | 1 | 0.9\% |

Note: Valid $N=113$

## Meals Served

Many school and nonprofit sponsors served meals 70 or more days (42.1 and 50.0 percent, respectively). There was an overall increase in the number of days meals were served compared to the previous year as many sponsors started their programs early in March after COVID-19 prevention procedures closed schools. Additionally, sponsors reported serving breakfast and lunch more often than the other options. Nonprofit sponsors reported serving a greater variety of meals, including PM snacks, AM snacks, or dinner ( 64.3 percent). Regarding COVID-19, many sponsors distributed bulk meals that would stretch over a few days to a week, and they also combined breakfast and lunch
into a single meal pick-up/delivery which was helpful and effective during the pandemic.

Figure 14. Days that meals were served Approximately how many days did you serve meals in summer 2020?


Note: Valid $N=311$

Figure 15. Type of meals that were served What type of meals did you serve in summer 2020?


Note: Valid $\mathrm{N}=318$
The primary method of meal preparation for both school and nonprofit sponsors was self-preparation. School sponsors (93.4 percent) and nonprofit sponsors (86.2 percent)
self-prepared their meals. A majority of school sponsors who reported using a vendor were either ‘somewhat satisfied’ (36.8 percent) or ‘extremely satisfied’ (57.9 percent) with their experience, while nonprofit sponsors were evenly split between 'somewhat satisfied' and 'extremely satisfied' with their experience (see Appendix One, Table 15).

Figure 16. Meal preparation method
What is your meal preparation method?


Note: Valid $\mathrm{N}=316$
Figure 17. Centralized kitchen Is the food prepared in a central kitchen?


Note: Valid N=292

Figure 18. Acquire food
Where do you obtain the food?


Note: Valid $N=292$

Among sponsors that prepared meals themselves, school and nonprofit sponsors reported most often receiving food from approved vendors ( 85.1 and 62.5 percent, respectively). Nonprofit sponsors also received much of their food from grocery retailers (54.2 percent) and warehouse markets (58.3 percent). Co-ops were the second most used source of food for school sponsors in 2020 (48.5 percent).

## Management and Logistics

In addition to meal preparations, the survey also asked about management and logistics for carrying out summer programs including staff and transportation needs along with reporting methods. Overall, most sponsors reported needing 5 or fewer staff or volunteers for meal distribution and for monitoring sites. Most sites and sponsors used paper tallies or a combination of paper and electronic methods for documenting the daily meals and aggregating total meal counts at the sponsor level. The transportation requirements for sponsors to obtain food were mixed. School sponsors generally prepped on site, so transportation was not needed, but many nonprofit sponsors prepared meals and delivered to their sites.

Figure 19. Number of staff or volunteers necessary for meal distribution Approximately how many staff or volunteers do you require for the following? (Delivering food)


Note: Valid $\mathrm{N}=297$
Figure 20. Number of staff or volunteers necessary for monitory sites Approximately how many staff or volunteers do you require for the following? (Monitoring sites)


Note: Valid $N=311$

Figure 21. Method for daily counts at each site What is your method of documenting the daily meal count at each site?


Note: Valid $\mathrm{N}=316$

Figure 22. Method of aggregating total meal counts at the sponsor level What is your method of aggregating each of the site total meal counts at the sponsor level?


Note: Valid $N=314$

Figure 23. Transportation necessary to obtain meals What transportation is necessary within your organization to obtain the meals?


Note: Valid $\mathrm{N}=310$

Sponsors were asked about the types of incentives and services offered at sites. The most common services provided at sites were outreach for services (e.g., SNAP), grab-and-go pick-up options, and sending additional food home with the children (see Table 11).

Table 11. Select services provided by sites (Complete list in Appendix One, Table 18)

|  | Type of Organization |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | School |  | Nonprofit |  | Total |  |
|  | N | \% | N | \% | N | \% |
| Outreach for services (e.g., SNAP) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 137 | 51.9\% | 15 | 60.0\% | 152 | 52.6\% |
| Some | 38 | 14.4\% | 4 | 16.0\% | 42 | 14.5\% |
| Most | 15 | 5.7\% | 2 | 8.0\% | 17 | 5.9\% |
| All | 74 | 28.0\% | 4 | 16.0\% | 78 | 27.0\% |
| Total | 264 | 100.0\% | 25 | 100.0\% | 289 | 100.0\% |
| Grab-and-go pick-up options |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 12 | 4.2\% | 4 | 14.8\% | 16 | 5.1\% |
| Some | 34 | 11.9\% | 5 | 18.5\% | 39 | 12.5\% |
| Most | 25 | 8.7\% | 7 | 25.9\% | 32 | 10.2\% |
| All | 215 | 75.2\% | 11 | 40.7\% | 226 | 72.2\% |
| Total | 286 | 100.0\% | 27 | 100.0\% | 313 | 100.0\% |
| Additional food sent home |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 185 | 65.1\% | 13 | 52\% | 198 | 64.1\% |
| Some | 24 | 8.5\% | 8 | 32\% | 32 | 10.4\% |
| Most | 13 | 4.6\% | 1 | 4\% | 14 | 4.5\% |
| All | 62 | 21.8\% | 3 | 12\% | 65 | 21.0\% |
| Total | 284 | 100.0\% | 25 | 100.0\% | 309 | 100.0\% |

Table 12. What specific types of support might help your program? (select all that apply)

|  | Type of Organization |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | School |  | Nonprofit |  | Total |  |
|  | N | \% | N | \% | N | \% |
| Transportation for children | 102 | 43.4\% | 13 | 48.2\% | 115 | 43.6\% |
| Transportation for meals | 98 | 41.7\% | 14 | 51.9\% | 112 | 42.4\% |
| New equipment for meal service | 102 | 43.4\% | 9 | 33.3\% | 112 | 42.4\% |
| Promotional materials/marketing/outreach | 88 | 37.5\% | 12 | 44.4\% | 100 | 37.9\% |
| Funding for activities | 72 | 30.6\% | 14 | 51.9\% | 88 | 33.3\% |
| Increased \# of volunteers | 46 | 19.6\% | 11 | 40.7\% | 57 | 21.6\% |
| Access to facilities | 11 | 4.7\% | 8 | 29.6\% | 19 | 7.2\% |
| Greater selection of vendors | 6 | 2.6\% | 5 | 18.5\% | 11 | 4.2\% |
| Other | 4 | 1.7\% | 1 | 3.7\% | 5 | 1.9\% |

Note: Valid $\mathrm{N}=262$
Transportation for children was selected by 43.6 percent of sponsors as a type of support that might help the program. Transportation for meals and new equipment for
meal service were both the second highest selection from sponsors at 42.4 percent. Compared to 2019, the desire for additional support for the transportation for meals and new equipment increased significantly in 2020, likely due to the emphasis of noncongregate meals and COVID-19 restrictions. In 2019, only 9.7 percent of sponsors noted needing additional support for the transportation for meals, and 12.0 percent indicated a need for new equipment for meal service. Other responses included outdoor cooling mobile units, funding for staffing, more food available to provide to adults, and community understanding (see Appendix Two).

## Family Involvement

Families were principally involved in providing transportation for both schools and non-profits (39.4 percent and 48.0 percent, respectively). Driving and walking were also commonly reported modes of transportation.

Figure 24. Family involvement How are families involved at your sites?


Note: Valid $\mathrm{N}=289$

Figure 25. Transportation of families
What types of transportation options do families use to get to your sites? (select all that apply)


Note: Valid $\mathrm{N}=314$

Marketing and Advertisement
Sponsors were asked to report how they received marketing resources. Sponsors were able to select all the sources that they utilized. The primary source for marketing material came from the Texas Department for Agriculture (TDA). Additionally, some nonprofits created materials in-house at both the site and sponsor level ( 51.9 percent and 59.3 percent, respectively). For 'other' responses, please see Appendix Two. Of the respondents that received marketing material from the TDA, most sponsors ordered the materials online ( 82.9 percent), and 67.5 percent downloaded and printed the marketing material.

Figure 26. Obtaining marketing resources
Where does your organization obtain marketing resources (Select all that apply.)


Note: Valid $\mathrm{N}=309$

Figure 27. Assistance with marketing resources
Who assisted you with your outreach and promotional materials in preparation for summer 2020? (Select all that apply.)


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Sponsors were additionally asked to identify any other agencies or institutions that helped with their outreach and promotions for the summer of 2020. The primary source for marketing assistance for sponsors came from the Texas Department for Agriculture (TDA). 13.6 percent of school sponsors and 24 percent of nonprofit sponsors indicated that they receive no additional help with marketing resources for 2020.

Among school sponsors, the primary methods of advertising were social media and collaboration with schools (Figure 28). The majority of sponsors who used these methods of advertising also found them effective. While not as commonly used (19.1\%), schools that used telephone recruitment of parents also found it highly effective (65.5\%). For a complete table please refer to Appendix One, Table 19.

Figure 28. Methods of advertisement and effectiveness
Please respond to the following statements regarding your organization's advertisement of the Summer meals program in 2020. (School Sponsors)


Nonprofit sponsors' most common methods of advertisement included social media and neighborhood flyers. The majority who used these methods also found them effective. While not as commonly used, collaboration with schools was found to be very effective (100\% of the $29.6 \%$ who used this method found it to be effective). Telephone recruitment of parents, radio, and billboards were also found to be effective. Other responses for both school sponsors and nonprofit sponsors included yard signs and utilizing the school and district websites (see Appendix Two). For a complete table please refer to Appendix One, Table 19.

Figure 29. Methods of advertisement and effectiveness Please respond to the following statements regarding your organization's advertisement of the Summer meals program in 2020. (Nonprofit Sponsors)


Note: Valid $\mathrm{N}=27$

## Satisfaction with Summer Meals Program

Sponsors were asked to indicate their experience with a number of different aspects of their 2020 summer meals program. Figure 29 represents the percent of sponsors who
rated these aspects as "extremely positive." For the complete table, please refer to Appendix One, Table 15 . Overall, 83.9 percent of schools and 85.7 percent of nonprofits indicated that they were 'satisfied' or 'very satisfied' with their 2020 summer meals program.

Figure 30. Aspects of your Summer Meals experience rated 'extremely positive.' Please rate the following aspects of your summer meals experience during summer 2020


Note: Valid $\mathrm{N}=308$

Figure 31. Satisfaction with the Summer Meals Program
Overall, how would you rate your satisfaction using the summer meals program during summer 2020?


Sponsors were asked to report their experience with the Summer Meals Project review process.

Table 13. Frequency of reviews in 2020 compared to 2019
Compared to 2019, how did the frequency of the following items change in 2020 ?

|  | Type of Organization |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | School |  | Nonprofit |  | Total |  |
|  | N | \% | N | \% | N | \% |
| Number of administrative reviews |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fewer | 34 | 13.8\% | 6 | 25.0\% | 40 | 14.8\% |
| Same | 90 | 36.6\% | 9 | 37.5\% | 99 | 36.7\% |
| More | 26 | 10.6\% | 1 | 4.2\% | 27 | 10.0\% |
| N/A | 96 | 39.0\% | 8 | 33.3\% | 104 | 38.5\% |
| Total | 246 | 100.0\% | 24 | 100.0\% | 270 | 100.0\% |
| Number of site visits |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fewer | 40 | 15.9\% | 8 | 32.0\% | 48 | 17.3\% |
| Same | 111 | 44.1\% | 10 | 40.0\% | 121 | 43.7\% |
| More | 29 | 11.5\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 29 | 10.5\% |
| N/A | 72 | 28.6\% | 7 | 28.0\% | 79 | 28.5\% |
| Total | 252 | 100.0\% | 25 | 100.0\% | 277 | 100.0\% |
| Number of disallowed meals |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fewer | 26 | 11.0\% | 5 | 19.2\% | 31 | 11.8\% |
| Same | 35 | 14.8\% | 5 | 19.2\% | 40 | 15.3\% |
| More | 8 | 3.4\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 8 | 3.1\% |
| N/A | 167 | 70.8\% | 16 | 61.5\% | 183 | 69.9\% |
| Total | 236 | 100.0\% | 26 | 100.0\% | 262 | 100.0\% |

About one in four schools and nonprofits surveyed reported being currently connected to THI. Among the 42 sponsors who received some type of support for their summer meals program, most rated the support from the THI as extremely helpful (Figure 33).

Figure 32. Texas Hunger Initiative connection
Are you currently connected with a Texas Hunger Initiative regional staff person?


Note: Valid $\mathrm{N}=300$

Figure 33. Texas Hunger Initiative support
Did you receive support of any kind from THI Regional staff regarding your summer meal efforts in 2020?


Note: Valid $\mathrm{N}=230$

Figure 34. Texas Hunger Initiative helpful How helpful were THI staff regarding summer meals efforts in 2020?


Note: Valid N=42

Final short answer question

When asked to provide any additional comments, concerns, or suggestions concerning summer meal efforts in 2020, sponsors shared various insights. Overall COVID-19 affected operations and, in some cases, shut down the program temporarily or for the rest of 2020 (see Table 24 in Appendix Two). Several respondents commented how helpful the Meals-to-You service was:
"We were very please with The Meals to you Program and hope that this program continues."
"We appreciated the emergency meals to you program, for meal delivery to rural households when our district was not reaching these folks with the in-town drive-thru."

Many respondents were grateful for the support they received in 2020, but many also commented that they would like support in transportation, receiving marketing materials sooner, and acquiring new equipment. One sponsor noted that they:
"Would like additional support and resources available to increase participation in the mandatory program for 2021 summer"

And another sponsor said:
"It is stressful enough working on the front lines in a pandemic. It would be really helpful for the TDA staff who work with the Sponsors to be understanding and flexible with the Sponsors. This pandemic was new to everyone."

## APPENDIX ONE: MULTIPLE CHOICE BY ORGANIZATION

Table 14. Rank these in terms of how useful they were to you (1=most useful)

|  | Type of Organization |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | School |  | Nonprofit |  | Total |  |
|  | N | Mean | N | Mean | N | Mean |
| Non-congregate Feeding | 141 | 1.7 | 12 | 1.5 | 153 | 1.7 |
| Meal Times | 125 | 2.9 | 8 | 2.5 | 133 | 2.9 |
| Nationwide Parent/Guardian meal Pickup Waiver | 126 | 3.1 | 9 | 2.9 | 135 | 3.1 |
| SFSP/SSO extension | 52 | 3.5 | 5 | 5.6 | 57 | 3.7 |
| Nationwide Meal Pattern Waiver | 53 | 3.7 | 5 | 5.0 | 58 | 3.8 |
| SFSP/SSO Area Eligibility Waiver | 43 | 3.8 | 2 | 5.5 | 45 | 3.9 |
| Offer Versus Serve Flexibility for Senior High Schools for the School Year 20202021 | 78 | 4.2 | 3 | 2.7 | 81 | 4.1 |
| Nationwide Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) Data Waiver | 18 | 4.8 | 0 |  | 18 | 4.8 |
| SFSP/SSO Meal Service Times (Regular Summer) | 44 | 5.7 | 8 | 5.4 | 52 | 5.7 |
| SFSP/SSO Closed Enrolled Sites (Regular Summer) | 26 | 5.9 | 2 | 8.5 | 28 | 6.1 |
| Nationwide Waivers of child Nutrition Monitoring | 22 | 6.5 | 4 | 4.0 | 26 | 6.1 |
| Afterschool Activity | 17 | 6.6 | 5 | 5.0 | 22 | 6.2 |
| SFSP Offer Versus Serve (Regular Summer) | 19 | 7.5 | 3 | 5.3 | 22 | 7.2 |
| SFSP First Week Site Visits (Regular Summer) | 23 | 7.7 | 5 | 6.8 | 28 | 7.6 |
| 60 Day reporting requirement Waiver | 2 | 9.0 | 1 | 5.0 | 3 | 7.7 |
| Pre-approved Flexibility | 5 | 7.8 | 4 | 8.3 | 9 | 8.0 |

Table 15. Please rate the following aspects of your summer meals experience during summer 2020.


Table 16. Please rate your satisfaction with your vendor in the following areas.

|  | Type of Organization |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | School |  | Nonprofit |  | Total |  |
|  | N | \% | N | \% | N | \% |
| Overall experience |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Extremely dissatisfied | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% |
| Somewhat dissatisfied | 1 | 5.3\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1 | 4.4\% |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% |
| Somewhat satisfied | 7 | 36.8\% | 2 | 50.0\% | 9 | 39.1\% |
| Extremely satisfied | 11 | 57.9\% | 2 | 50.0\% | 13 | 56.5\% |
| Total | 19 | 100.0\% | 4 | 100.0\% | 23 | 100.0\% |
| Quality of food |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Extremely negative | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% |
| Somewhat negative | 1 | 5.3\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1 | 4.4\% |
| Neither negative nor positive | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% |
| Somewhat positive | 10 | 52.6\% | 3 | 75.0\% | 13 | 56.5\% |
| Extremely positive | 8 | 42.1\% | 1 | 25.0\% | 9 | 39.1\% |
| Total | 19 | 100.0\% | 4 | 100.0\% | 23 | 100.0\% |
| Efficacy of delivery method |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Extremely negative | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% |
| Somewhat negative | 1 | 5.3\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1 | 4.4\% |
| Neither negative nor positive | 0 | 0.0\% | 1 | 25.0\% | 1 | 4.4\% |
| Somewhat positive | 8 | 42.1\% | 1 | 25.0\% | 9 | 39.1\% |
| Extremely positive | 10 | 52.6\% | 2 | 50.0\% | 12 | 52.2\% |
| Total | 19 | 100.0\% | 4 | 100.0\% | 23 | 100.0\% |
| Overall food procurement |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Extremely negative | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% |
| Somewhat negative | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 0 | 0.0\% |
| Neither negative nor positive | 1 | 5.3\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 1 | 4.4\% |
| Somewhat positive | 9 | 47.4\% | 3 | 75.0\% | 12 | 52.2\% |
| Extremely positive | 9 | 47.4\% | 1 | 25.0\% | 10 | 43.5\% |
| Total | 19 | 100.0\% | 4 | 100.0\% | 23 | 100.0\% |

Table 17. For respondents that obtain resources from the TDA. How did your organization receive TDA marketing materials? (Select all that apply.)

|  | Type of Organization |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | School |  | Nonprofit | Total |  |  |
|  | N | $\%$ | N | $\%$ | N | $\%$ |
| Download/print | 172 | $67.2 \%$ | 17 | $70.8 \%$ | 189 | $67.3 \%$ |
| Order (from TDA website; mailed for free) | 208 | $81.3 \%$ | 24 | $100.0 \%$ | 233 | $82.9 \%$ |
| Other | 0 | $0.0 \%$ | 0 | $0.0 \%$ | 0 | $0.0 \%$ |

Note: Valid N = 281

Table 18. How many of your sites provide the following services?

|  | Type of Organization |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | School |  | Nonprofit |  | Total |  |
|  | N | \% | N | \% | N | \% |
| Activities for children |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 199 | 72.6\% | 9 | 33.3\% | 208 | 68.7\% |
| Some | 31 | 11.3\% | 5 | 18.5\% | 36 | 11.9\% |
| Most | 10 | 3.7\% | 2 | 7.4\% | 12 | 4.0\% |
| All | 34 | 12.4\% | 11 | 40.7\% | 47 | 15.5\% |
| Total | 274 | 100.0\% | 27 | 100.0\% | 303 | 100.0\% |
| Transportation |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 186 | 66.9\% | 19 | 70.4\% | 206 | 67.1\% |
| Some | 34 | 12.2\% | 5 | 18.5\% | 39 | 12.7\% |
| Most | 10 | 3.6\% | 2 | 7.4\% | 12 | 3.9\% |
| All | 48 | 17.3\% | 1 | 3.7\% | 50 | 16.3\% |
| Total | 278 | 100.0\% | 27 | 100.0\% | 307 | 100.0\% |
| Incentives for participation |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 215 | 79.6\% | 15 | 60.0\% | 231 | 77.8\% |
| Some | 19 | 7.0\% | 3 | 12.0\% | 22 | 7.4\% |
| Most | 13 | 4.8\% | 1 | 4.0\% | 14 | 4.7\% |
| All | 23 | 8.5\% | 6 | 24.0\% | 30 | 10.1\% |
| Total | 270 | 100.0\% | 25 | 100.0\% | 297 | 100.0\% |
| Outreach for services |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 137 | 51.9\% | 15 | 60.0\% | 152 | 52.4\% |
| Some | 38 | 14.4\% | 4 | 16.0\% | 42 | 14.5\% |
| Most | 15 | 5.7\% | 2 | 8.0\% | 17 | 5.9\% |
| All | 74 | 28.0\% | 4 | 16.0\% | 79 | 27.2\% |
| Total | 264 | 100.0\% | 25 | 100.0\% | 290 | 100.0\% |
| Grab and go pick-up options |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 12 | 4.2\% | 4 | 14.8\% | 18 | 5.7\% |
| Some | 34 | 11.9\% | 5 | 18.5\% | 39 | 12.4\% |
| Most | 25 | 8.7\% | 7 | 25.9\% | 32 | 10.2\% |
| All | 215 | 75.2\% | 11 | 40.7\% | 226 | 71.8\% |
| Total | 286 | 100.0\% | 27 | 100.0\% | 315 | 100.0\% |
| Additional food sent home |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 185 | 65.1\% | 13 | 52.0\% | 200 | 64.3\% |
| Some | 24 | 8.5\% | 8 | 32.0\% | 32 | 10.3\% |
| Most | 13 | 4.6\% | 1 | 4.0\% | 14 | 4.5\% |
| All | 62 | 21.8\% | 3 | 12.0\% | 65 | 20.9\% |
| Total | 284 | 100.0\% | 25 | 100.0\% | 311 | 100.0\% |
| Meals offered to parents for a fee |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 245 | 86.6\% | 23 | 85.2\% | 270 | 86.5\% |
| Some | 4 | 1.4\% | 3 | 11.1\% | 7 | 2.2\% |
| Most | 3 | 1.1\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 3 | 1.0\% |
| All | 31 | 11.0\% | 1 | 3.7\% | 32 | 10.3\% |
| Total | 283 | 100.0\% | 27 | 100.0\% | 312 | 100.0\% |
| Meals offered to parents at a paid rate |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 226 | 80.7\% | 27 | 100.0\% | 255 | 82.5\% |
| Some | 8 | 2.9\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 8 | 2.6\% |
| Most | 2 | 0.7\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 2 | 0.7\% |
| All | 44 | 15.7\% | 0 | 0.0\% | 44 | 14.2\% |
| Total | 280 | 100.0\% | 27 | 100.0\% | 309 | 100.0\% |

Table 19. Please respond to the following statements regarding your organization's advertisement of the summer meals program in 2020. (select all that apply)

|  | Type of Organization |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | School |  | Nonprofit |  | Total |  |
|  | N | \% | N | \% | N | \% |
| Television |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Select method(s) you utilized | 20 | 6.9\% | 4 | 14.8\% | 24 | 7.6\% |
| Select which method(s) seemed to be most effective in getting children to sites. | 7 | 35.0\% | 2 | 50.0\% | 9 | 37.5\% |
| Radio |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Select method(s) you utilized | 47 | 16.3\% | 4 | 14.8\% | 51 | 16.2\% |
| Select which method(s) seemed to be most effective in getting children to sites. | 21 | 44.7\% | 3 | 75.0\% | 24 | 47.1\% |
| Newspaper |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Select method(s) you utilized | 146 | 50.7\% | 8 | 29.6\% | 155 | 49.2\% |
| Select which method(s) seemed to be most effective in getting children to sites. | 51 | 34.9\% | 3 | 37.5\% | 54 | 34.8\% |
| Social Media |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Select method(s) you utilized | 257 | 89.2\% | 21 | 77.8\% | 280 | 88.9\% |
| Select which method(s) seemed to be most effective in getting children to sites. | 198 | 77.0\% | 12 | 57.1\% | 212 | 75.7\% |
| Neighborhood flyers |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Select method(s) you utilized | 112 | 38.9\% | 18 | 66.7\% | 130 | 41.3\% |
| Select which method(s) seemed to be most effective in getting children to sites. | 46 | 41.1\% | 13 | 72.2\% | 59 | 45.4\% |
| Door hangers |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Select method(s) you utilized | 29 | 10.1\% | 9 | 33.3\% | 39 | 12.4\% |
| Select which method(s) seemed to be most effective in getting children to sites. | 11 | 37.9\% | 6 | 66.7\% | 17 | 43.6\% |
| Direct mail |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Select method(s) you utilized | 52 | 18.1\% | 3 | 11.1\% | 55 | 17.5\% |
| Select which method(s) seemed to be most effective in getting children to sites. | 19 | 36.5\% | 1 | 33.3\% | 20 | 36.4\% |
| Billboards |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Select method(s) you utilized | 28 | 9.7\% | 1 | 3.7\% | 28 | 8.9\% |
| Select which method(s) seemed to be most effective in getting children to sites. | 14 | 50.0\% | 1 | 100.0\% | 15 | 53.6\% |
| Collaboration with schools (e.g. robo-calls, flyers) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Select method(s) you utilized | 192 | 66.7\% | 8 | 29.6\% | 201 | 63.8\% |
| Select which method(s) seemed to be most effective in getting children to sites. | 120 | 62.5\% | 8 | 100.0\% | 129 | 64.2\% |
| Telephone recruitment of parents |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Select method(s) you utilized | 55 | 19.1\% | 8 | 29.6\% | 63 | 20.0\% |
| Select which method(s) seemed to be most effective in getting children to sites. | 36 | 65.5\% | 6 | 75.0\% | 42 | 66.7\% |
| Other |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Select method(s) you utilized | 16 | 5.6\% | 2 | 7.4\% | 18 | 5.7\% |
| Select which method(s) seemed to be most effective in getting children to sites. | 13 | 81.3\% | 2 | 100.0\% | 15 | 83.3\% |

## APPENDIX TWO: OPEN-ENDED QUESTIONS

Table 2.1. For what reason(s) did your organization decide not to serve as a sponsor in 2021?

| Theme | $N$ | Selected Short Answers |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Low participation prevented them from participating in the summer meals program | 5 | - We are to remote and do not have enough participation. <br> - It's a bit frustrating because we are considered a closed campus because we are a private school. We have 4 public schools around us that were open campus and so our numbers were very low. We are small to start making it hard for us. |
| TDA requirement prevented them from participating in the summer meals program | 5 | - TDA requirements to rebid <br> - We did not operate a summer meal program in the past due to our low F/R\%. We did operate the Seamless Summer Option during the unexpected school closure. Currently our district F/R\% remains low. We are operating NSLP and not Seamless Summer Option now. I do not anticipate adding the Seamless Summer Option again in the future. |
| Transportation is a primary reason for not participating in the summer meals program to food distribution center | 4 | - Past summers we have not have much participation and we do not have transportation for children for summer feeding We did this past summer with people not working due to Covid issues. <br> - Plains ISD is a rural community and our location is along HWY 380 which has high traffic from New Mexico, which is dangerous for those students that could participate, we have no set cross guard during the summer nor during meal service of the program. |
| Have not decided if they will participate in the summer meals program in the future | 3 | - The Decision has not been made yet <br> - At this time we have not decided to serve... That might change when we get to the spring. |
| Cost prevented them from participating. | 1 | - The cost of running the program and the recent hit from COVID-19 closure has made it difficult for our school breakfast program to recover. Although the summer program is a good program it was difficult to provide due to the costs. |

Table 2.2. What changes, if any, would persuade you to return to the program as a sponsor?

| Theme | $N$ | Selected Short Answers |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sponsor said they would sponsor the summer meals program if the need arises again. | 4 | - If Covid affects the community and surrounding work force is impacted. <br> - Seeing or hearing a great need again. |
| Sponsors stated they would Sponsor the summer meals program again if the TDA restrictions were waived and red tape was reduced. | 4 | - One thing that can be very discouraging with any of the state sponsored food programs is the paperwork/guidelines and all of the continuing changes since COVID-19. I run the program alone from ordering, menu planning, prepping meals, to serving the meals, and then completing the program paperwork. I realize it is necessary to track funds and such but it was stressful to have to follow through on so many angles. Streamlining reports would help and getting financial help from the state would also help. <br> - To be able to waiver out of the TDA requirement |
| Sponsor stated they would sponsor the summer meals program if they had more participation. | 1 | - An increase in our low socioeconomic students that would participate. |
| Sponsor stated they would sponsor the summer meals program if the transportation issue was solved | 1 | - Transportation, so that we could have more participation |

Table 3.1. Select the SFSP and SSO waivers (Federal) which your organization used in adapting your feeding programs this year (2020) (select all that apply)
$\left.\begin{array}{|l|c|c|}\hline \text { Themes } & N & \text { Selected Short Answers } \\ \hline \begin{array}{l}\text { Meal distribution } \\ \text { waiver }\end{array} & 4 & \begin{array}{l}\text { - Age Grade Group Waiver, Bulk Foods Components } \\ \text { for Multiple Meal Distribution Waiver, Meal Distribu- } \\ \text { tion Waiver for NSLP, Covid Monthly Waiver for NSLP } \\ \text { and SSO }\end{array} \\ \hline \text { Meals To You Program }\end{array}\right]$

Table 4.1. In your opinion, what contributed to the decline in number of sites?

| Themes | N | Selected Short Answers |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| COVID-19 was a <br> Strong contributor <br> to the decline in <br> sites. | 7 | - Since they could grab and go-- we didn't need as <br> many sites, if we had more sites based on the grab <br> and go we would have had many folks that went to <br> multiple sites. |
| -Summer Session 1 and 2 closed due to staff covid <br> cases or student cases |  |  |
| Some sponsors <br> had difficulty form- <br> ing partnerships <br> with other school <br> sponsors. | 1 | - The decreased was caused by local school districts <br> that we partnered with in the past. The schools that <br> did not partner with us this summer of 2020 was be- <br> cause they decided to continue to operate on their <br> own with the waivers provided to the school districts. |

Table 5.1. In your opinion, what contributed to the drop in participation?

| Theme | $N$ | Selected Short Answers |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| School closures | 4 | - Our overall participation dropped because schools were closed. Summer participation was much greater. <br> - Since they were not at school they did not come to pick up meals that were provided by schools. |
| Participants found closer alternative venues. | 2 | - I think as the spring turned to summer, families chose different venues... they drive 40-45 minutes round trip- pass several food trailers and subways, so just different options. <br> - we are a public charter that isn't zoned like traditional public schools. we believe our families went to schools closest to them and not our schools |
| Few students that qualify for meals in area. | 1 | - low percentage of disadvantaged students |

Table 6.1. In your opinion, what contributed to the increase in participation?

| Theme | $N$ | Selected Short Answers |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Grab-and-go meals without the children being present, including multiple meals pickup | 8 | - Due to only doing Curbside feeding, the students could pick up their meals and not have to eat onsite. <br> - Parents did not have to bring their Child |
| Providing bulk meals i.e., breakfast and lunch served together. | 4 | - Served both breakfast and lunch together each day |
| Providing free meals to all | 2 | - SSO IS FREE TO ALL <br> - Everyone is eating free |
| An increase in need. | 2 | - Increase in Population <br> - Greater Need |
| Routine | 1 | - Families were already receiving free meals from COVID-19 SFSP so they just kept coming and we had delivery. |

Table 7.1. Were any of the following challenges for your program during summer 2020?

| Theme | N | Selected Short Answers |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| COVID-19 | - Local/Sate restrictions such as lowered building ca- <br> pacity for our congregate feeding sites. And some <br> parents couldn't handle daily meal pickups and <br> bring-ing the children along when required at the be- <br> ginning. |  |
| -Since the schools were already closed due to COVID <br> it was a challenge to notify parents about the sum- <br> mer meal program |  |  |
| Difficulty getting <br> food and variety of <br> food. | 7 | Constantly changing information regarding rules and rules <br> to apply for program |
| food distributors had a difficult time filling orders, <br> however, we adjusted menu accordingly and were <br> able to still meet meal pattern requirements <br> less variety offered due to limitations in what could <br> be offered in bulk |  |  |


| Food storage was <br> a problem. | 3 | - Lack of storage space particularly refrigerated <br> - Keeping everything cold/hot for service |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |

Table 8.1. With additional funds or capacity, which of the following would your organization consider working on to expand the program?

| Theme | $N$ | Selected Short Answers <br> Pay for labor |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 4 | - We paid hazard pay and that contributed to eating <br> up our budget; we did not have staff to offer more <br> than B/L |  |
| -Procuring equipment and employees to help better <br> serve students. |  |  |
| Increase in meal <br> quality | 3 | - Increase quality of meals served <br> - better menu items |
| Transportation |  | - Need busing and summer school to bring kids in. <br> -Provide more frequent transportation of meals to <br> our rural sites |

Table 9.1. What was the source of the additional funds?

| Theme | $N$ | Selected Short Answers |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Additional funding <br> sources | 3 | • General Operating funds <br> $\bullet$ <br> • Fundraisers |
|  |  | Loans |

Table 10.1. How did you use these additional funds?

| Theme | $N$ | Selected Short Answer |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Senior meal ser- <br> vice | 1 | $\bullet$ Provide meals to seniors |

Figure 18. Where do you obtain food?

| Theme | N | Selected Short Answers |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| USDA Commodes | 4 | • Commodities through Houston Food Bank <br> USDA commodity foods |
| Local Food Pro- <br> ducers | 2 | • Oak Farms, Brothers Produce <br> $\bullet$ <br> local food producers |
| Donations | 1 | • Local School district. <br> $\bullet$ <br> $\bullet$ <br> Donations |

Figure 23. What transportation is necessary within your organization to obtain the meals?

| Theme | $N$ | Selected Short Answers |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Delivery | 3 | - We did deliver to households who could not come to the site <br> - transportation for participants |
| Grab-and-go | 3 | - One portable school post Hurricane Harvey remains and is adjacent to a shared kitchen/storage with another school and we truck the food across the parking lot to the portable cafeteria .... for 3 years now.... awaiting the rebuild/FEMA finally approved <br> - some meals made at our large high schools and delivered to sites for distribution. Some meals prepared on site and distributed |
| Meals-to-You | 2 | - Meals-to-You mailed meals |

Table 12.1. What specific types of support might help your program?

| Theme | N | Selected Short Answers |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Food distribution | 1 | $\bullet \quad$ outdoor cooling mobile units |
| Staff support | 1 | $\bullet \quad$ Funding for staffing |
| Food preparation | 1 | $\bullet$ Meal prep/monitoring |
| Community sup- <br> port | 1 | • Community understanding |
| Food for adults | 1 | $\bullet$ More food available to provide to adults. |

Figure 24. How were families involved at your sites in 2020 ?

| Theme | $N$ | Selected Short Answer |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| No involvement <br> from parents be- <br> side receiving <br> meals | 9 | - No involvement unless it was a closed enrolled site. <br> Even then, COVID restrictions made it difficult for <br> parent interaction at sites. Any enrichment provided <br> was in a grab and go style bag. |
| -Due to covid 19 this year the parents just picked up <br> meals |  |  |
| Parents volun- <br> teered | 5 | Volunteers made cloth face mask for food service <br> staff |

Figure 25 - What types of transportation options do families use to get to your sites?

| Theme | $N$ | Selected Short Answers |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Non-automobiles | 4 | $\bullet$ <br> bicycle, scooter, motorcycle, bus transportation out <br> to children 18 and younger |
| Motor-vehicle | 1 | $\bullet$ car pooled, delivered to bus routes and curbside |

Figure 26. Where does your organization obtain marketing resources?

| Theme | $N$ | Selected Short Answers |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Social Media | 4 | $\bullet$ <br> $\bullet$ <br> $\bullet$ <br> • social media notifications |
| USDA | 1 | $\bullet \quad$ USDA |
| Calls | 1 | $\bullet$ |

Figure 27. Who assisted you with your outreach and promotional materials in preparation for summer 2020?

| Theme | $N$ | Selected Short Answers |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| In-House | 4 | $\bullet$ <br> $\bullet$ <br> • <br> my staff |
| Social Media | 1 | $\bullet$ |
| Local public cen- <br> ters |  | $\bullet$ |
| Out-side vendors | 1 | $\bullet$ |

Figures 28 \& 29.- Please respond to the following statements regarding your organization's advertisement of the summer meals program in 2019.

| Theme | N | Selected Short Answers |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Email/School Website | 10 | - School Website <br> - District Website |
| Yard signs/Posters | 6 | - Signs at the site and yard signs <br> - yard signs at the school |
| Flyers sent home | 3 | - Flyer went home with Report Card <br> - TDA Flyers |
| Face to Face information | 1 | - face to face with parents to help them understand the program and it's benefits |

Table 20. Do you expect to receive reimbursements for all meals served by December 31, 2020 Any comments about reimbursements.

| Theme | $N$ | Selected Short Answers |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| NSLP | 3 | - <br> - NSLP reimbursements <br> We received SSO Reimbursement for meals served <br> March - June 2020. We are currently operating <br> NSLP and receiving reimbursement. |
| Unsure | 3 | - I sure hope so!! <br> - We are concerned about reimbursement for Sept - <br> October 2020 SFSP meals as application was pend- <br> ing approval due to TDA prioritizing FSA's over non- <br> school entities. <br> - We are likely going to miss reimbursements due to <br> using bus route distribution model for virtual stu- <br> dents and not being able to identify student in real <br> time bot on duplicate meals and students not regis- <br> tered in the district. |

Table 21. COVID Short Answer Question 1.- In what ways did COVID-19 impact your organization's summer meal plans for 2020 ?

| Theme | $N$ | Selected Short Answers |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Programs cancelled but delivery or grab-and-go meals provided | 7 | - We packaged meals daily and offered home delivery or pick up at school. <br> - Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, we were forced to shut down our senior centers due to the. We had to rapidly adjust to this new change and had to convert into a curve-side pick-up service. |
| Programs were closed and not able to serve meals | 4 | - Strict restrictions on the military post did not allow us to host SFSP in 2020. <br> - Employees were afraid to serve me due to COVID 19 |
| Programs made partnerships to provide meals | 2 | - The shutdown did not impact our agency negatively. AISD - Schools continued serving through the SSO, which worked out great! Partnership was definitely still active. I personally would love to see Summer Lunches to continue serving that way, it really worked out for our community. <br> - We have a partnership with the Boys \& Girls Club who provides summer meals |

Figure 9.- What precautions did your sites take to protect volunteers, staff, and families? (select all that apply)

| Themes | $N$ | Selected Short Answers |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Social distancing <br> and masks | 1 | - Congregate sites were capped occupancy level ac- <br> cording to local restrictions and social distancing is <br> enforced with mask wearing when not eating. |
| Proper supervision | 1 | $\bullet$ SRO WAS PRESENT |

Table 22. COVID Short Answer Question 2.- Thinking about serving summer meals during a pandemic, what worked well?

| Theme | $N$ | Selected Short Answer |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Grab-and-go | 90 | -Packaging meals onsite and delivering them via a <br> driveline was a mostly smooth operation. <br> -Curbside drive through went well except for days <br> where the weather was extreme-either too hot or <br> windy and even some cold days were a little tough. <br> This was the safest way to get meals to children |


| Packaging multiple meals | 32 | - We like handing out the breakfast and lunch at the same time so that parents only had to come to the site one time. <br> - We made the meals for our students in microwavable containers so that all meal components were packaged together. We froze the meals and packaged meals per family, such as a family with three children would get a box with meals for 3 days with a breakfast, lunch, and or supper meals. then would come the next pick up day and get 4 days worth of meals. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Staff and Community Communication | 28 | - Communication at all levels of the district, teams. Waivers, flexibility to feed kids! TDA Wednesday Zoom updates. <br> - We are such a small community, we just came together to make it work, and our teachers volunteered to help in the cafeteria or in any way they could. That was a great help. |
| Delivery and bus routs | 10 | - Meals to students were delivered via Meals to you directly to residences. <br> - We ran bus routes as an aggressive attempt to fight hunger in our community. Bus routes worked well and increased our ADP |
| COVID-19 PPE | 6 | - Training was crucial during COVID-19 meal service; staff need to know as much about a pandemic to keep themselves and others safe and virus free, so they can perform the essential service in a safe \& effective manner. <br> - Enforcing the correct use of PPE and CDC guidelines. |
| Parents without kids present | 6 | - Parents not having to bring their child for the pick up. <br> - Parents being allowed to pick up meals without child present and giving combined breakfast and lunch at same time helped quite a bit. |
| Waivers | 6 | - The waivers were extremely useful <br> - Waivers provided flexibility to administer the meal service. |
| Mail Delivery | 3 | - Having all meals mailed directly to the student's homes. <br> - Mail delivery was wonderful from Meals to You program |

Table 23. COVID Short Answer Question 3.- Thinking about serving summer meals during a pandemic, what would have helped you be even more successful?

| Theme | $N$ | Selected Short Answers |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Food preparation and supplies | 31 | - Have more microwavable containers available to build meals. that was the hardest thing for us to keep stocked. <br> - I believe better equipment to keep the food cold or hot enough would have helped. Better carts to move the supplies outside would have helped, too. |
| Bureaucracy | 23 | - We started back to school on August 24 and we were required to follow all NSLP regulations concerning tying a meal to a student ID in parking lot distribution sites and on serving lines. Our education partners were not ready to help support touchless transactions and it was ridiculous for us to even have to ask them for help. SFSP was not made available until September the 9th to offer the relief that we needed. <br> - Less restrictions in regards to program guidelines....at risk supper program required the collection of participant name and age and that meant having CONTACT with people. This was a safety issue and stressed many people out. |
| Funding | 21 | - Being able to offset costs for staff to be onsite to serve meals. Some sites had to close because they weren't able to afford to pay for staff to be present when there were no children present and the facility was closed. <br> - During the regular months that we normally don't serve SFSP (March, April, and May), what hurt us the most is our Payroll. We still had the same number of staff but only 20\% of the meals which means we ended up in the red and our district had to pay our negative balance from the general fund by the end of 20192020. |
| Community involvement family participation | 12 | - Community outreach and school district support. Our summer program was low as schools were closed and parents did not understand why we were there during county-wide shutdowns. <br> - More participation from families |


| Transportation | 11 | -We would have been more successful if we had <br> the equipment needed to get the Job done. We <br> served the number of meals we could transport, <br> NOT the number of meals the community <br> needed. |
| :--- | :---: | :--- |
| More staff and vol- <br> unteers | 10 | Ability to deliver to families homes |
| PPE | Having more help. No volunteers for us. School <br> wouldn't let us work them. |  |

Table 24. Final short answer question. - Any additional comments, concerns, or suggestions concerning summer meal efforts in 2020.

| Theme | $N$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Thank you | 9 | - I appreciate all of the support that was provided from multiple agencies during the summer 2020. <br> - USDA and TDA worked well in passing down the necessary waivers to help feed the communities in a reasonable timeframe; given that there was no prior knowledge of how to proceed in this unexpected situation. Our TDA representative was very informative during this time absorbing all the new and released information quickly and passing that knowledge to the CEs. <br> - THI has been an awesome support and the Shepherd community appreciates it. |
| Critiques | 6 | - I had 12 open distribution sites district wide and when our two summer schools opened for two weeks for 75 students the TDA made us open four additional sites to accommodate 75 summer school students. Two CVGG sites and two closed enrolled sites for these two sites. Preventing duplicate meals, staffing these sites, documenting the different meals served and claiming them differently was a monumental waste of resources. The TDA would not let us transport meals to these two sites to feed only the 75 students. <br> - Grateful summer meals are extended through the summer of 2021. Participation has doubled, therefore reimbursement has. Under NSLP we might have been faced with CN lay-offs, etc. |


|  |  | - Did not hear of ESMC. Honestly, we were just trying to keep "our head above water" and keep up with all the regulation changes, deal with Covid restrictions and fear.... It is a situation I would not like to repeat. Some of this survey was confusing in the matter that the "SSO" questions maybe should have been labled "Covid SSO" to differentiate from the usual summer SSO when making comparisons |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Suggestions | 4 | - TDA needs to send out ordered marketing materials sooner. <br> - We need a Plan Book! <br> - We have never had good participation when we've operated summer feeding due to location. Pick up meals were successful because children did not have to come to sites. I think meal pick up and distribution would be better than children having to come to sites to eat meals in the future. |
| Recognition | 2 | - We served 126,611 meals during our seamless summer/covid shutdown (March 20th through July 31st). We are a small rural school with 562 students at the beginning of covid. I am very proud of my staff for this accomplishment. We were a group of 13 women and got the job done. <br> - Overall, everyone adjusted quickly to provide meals to children and families through a pandemic in which none of us were ever expecting to do before. Our main goal was to ensure that our youth that need us most, continued to receive healthy meals during a most critical time while still ensuring the safety of our team members across the state. |

## APPENDIX THREE: MULTIPLE CHOICE BY TDA REGION

Appendix Three includes the survey questions broken out by TDA Regions. Region 1 is West Texas Region; Region 2 is North Texas Region; Region 3 is Gulf Coast Region; Region 4 is South Central Region; Region 5 is Valley Region.

Table A. Does your organization plan to serve as a summer meals sponsor in summer 2021?

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Yes | 44 | 95 | 68 | 45 | 27 | 279 |
|  | 75.9\% | 79.8\% | 80.0\% | 81.8\% | 93.1\% | 80.6\% |
| No | 5 | 4 | 7 | 3 | 0 | 19 |
|  | 8.6\% | 3.4\% | 8.2\% | 5.5\% | 0.0\% | 5.5\% |
| I don't know | 9 | 20 | 10 | 7 | 2 | 48 |
|  | 15.5\% | 16.8\% | 11.8\% | 12.7\% | 6.9\% | 13.9\% |
| Count | 58 | 119 | 85 | 55 | 29 | 346 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Table B. Which best describes your organization?

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| School | 47 | 106 | 77 | 54 | 24 | 308 |
|  | 82.5\% | 91.4\% | 92.8\% | 98.2\% | 88.9\% | 91.1\% |
| Nonprofit | 8 | 10 | 6 | 1 | 3 | 28 |
|  | 14.0\% | 8.6\% | 7.2\% | 1.8\% | 11.1\% | 8.3\% |
| Local government | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
|  | 1.8\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.3\% |
| Camp | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
|  | 1.8\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.3\% |
| Other | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% |
| Count | 57 | 116 | 83 | 55 | 27 | 338 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Table C. Which federal program do you utilize to administer the summer meals program?

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total <br> Seamless Summer Option <br> (SSO)$\quad 32$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | 84 | 63 | 40 | 20 | 239 |
| Summer Food Service Pro- <br> gram (SFSP) | $57.1 \%$ | $73.7 \%$ | $76.8 \%$ | $74.1 \%$ | $74.1 \%$ | $71.8 \%$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 24 | 30 | 19 | 14 | 7 | 94 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Count | $42.9 \%$ | $26.3 \%$ | $23.2 \%$ | $25.9 \%$ | $25.9 \%$ | $28.2 \%$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 56 | 114 | 82 | 54 | 27 | 333 |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table D. Are most of your sites located in rural or urban areas?

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Most sites located in rural areas | 41 | 59 | 35 | 27 | 11 | 173 |
|  | 75.9\% | 55.1\% | 46.7\% | 54.0\% | 45.8\% | 55.8\% |
| Most sites located in urban areas | 12 | 37 | 37 | 15 | 8 | 109 |
|  | 22.2\% | 34.6\% | 49.3\% | 30.0\% | 33.3\% | 35.2\% |
| An even mix of sites in both rural and urban areas | 1 | 11 | 3 | 8 | 5 | 28 |
|  | 1.9\% | 10.3\% | 4.0\% | 16.0\% | 20.8\% | 9.0\% |
| Count | 54 | 107 | 75 | 50 | 24 | 310 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Table E. How long has your organization served as a summer meals sponsor?

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| 1 year | 12 | 20 | 13 | 7 | 2 | 54 |
|  | 23.1\% | 21.1\% | 19.1\% | 14.9\% | 8.7\% | 19.0\% |
| 2-3 years | 2 | 5 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 20 |
|  | 3.9\% | 5.3\% | 4.4\% | 12.8\% | 17.4\% | 7.0\% |
| 4-5 years | 2 | 12 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 19 |
|  | 3.9\% | 12.6\% | 4.4\% | 2.1\% | 4.4\% | 6.7\% |
| 6-10 years | 10 | 16 | 9 | 8 | 0 | 43 |
|  | 19.2\% | 16.8\% | 13.2\% | 17.0\% | 0.0\% | 15.1\% |
| More than 10 years | 26 | 42 | 40 | 25 | 16 | 149 |
|  | 50.0\% | 44.2\% | 58.8\% | 53.2\% | 69.6\% | 52.3\% |
| Count | 52 | 95 | 68 | 47 | 23 | 285 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Table F. Do you also sponsor an afterschool meal program offered through the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) at some point during the year?

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Yes | 11 | 35 | 32 | 16 | 13 | 107 |
|  | $20.8 \%$ | $32.1 \%$ | $41.6 \%$ | $32.0 \%$ | $52.0 \%$ | $34.1 \%$ |
| No | 42 | 74 | 45 | 34 | 12 | 207 |
|  | $79.3 \%$ | $67.9 \%$ | $58.4 \%$ | $68.0 \%$ | $48.0 \%$ | $65.9 \%$ |
| Count | 53 | 109 | 77 | 50 | 25 | 314 |
| Total | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |

Table G. How many Summer Meals sites did you operate during the summer 2020?

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| 1 to 6 | 45 | 80 | 59 | 40 | 19 | 243 |
|  | 86.5\% | 74.8\% | 81.9\% | 81.6\% | 76.0\% | 79.7\% |
| 7 to 12 | 2 | 11 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 27 |
|  | 3.8\% | 10.3\% | 11.1\% | 8.2\% | 8.0\% | 8.9\% |
| 13 to 20 | 2 | 8 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 16 |
|  | 3.8\% | 7.5\% | 4.2\% | 4.1\% | 4.0\% | 5.2\% |
| More than 20 | 3 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 19 |
|  | 5.8\% | 7.5\% | 2.8\% | 6.1\% | 12.0\% | 6.2\% |
| Count | 52 | 107 | 72 | 49 | 25 | 305 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Table H. How did the number of summer meals sites in 2020 compare to 2019?

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Increased | 19 | 51 | 40 | 26 | 17 | 153 |
|  | 38.8\% | 47.2\% | 54.8\% | 50.0\% | 68.0\% | 49.8\% |
| Decreased | 9 | 22 | 15 | 12 | 5 | 63 |
|  | 18.4\% | 20.4\% | 20.6\% | 23.1\% | 20.0\% | 20.5\% |
| Stayed the same | 9 | 17 | 10 | 7 | 1 | 44 |
|  | 18.4\% | 15.7\% | 13.7\% | 13.5\% | 4.0\% | 14.3\% |
| Did not sponsor in 2019 | 12 | 18 | 8 | 7 | 2 | 47 |
|  | 24.5\% | 16.7\% | 11.0\% | 13.5\% | 8.0\% | 15.3\% |
| Count | 49 | 108 | 73 | 52 | 25 | 307 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Table I. In your opinion, what contributed to the decline in number of sites? (Select all that apply.)

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Lack of participations at sites | 4 | 13 | 9 | 4 | 1 | 31 |
|  | 44.4\% | 59.1\% | 60.0\% | 33.3\% | 20.0\% | 49.2\% |
| Lack of adequate funding | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% |
| Lack of staff | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
|  | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 13.3\% | 8.3\% | 0.0\% | 4.8\% |
| Transportation issues | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 7 |
|  | 22.2\% | 9.1\% | 13.3\% | 8.3\% | 0.0\% | 11.1\% |
| Construction/facility issues | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
|  | 0.0\% | 4.6\% | 0.0\% | 8.3\% | 0.0\% | 3.2\% |
| Local/state COVID restrictions | 5 | 9 | 7 | 5 | 4 | 30 |
|  | 55.6\% | 40.9\% | 46.7\% | 41.7\% | 80.0\% | 47.6\% |
| Other | 2 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 9 |
|  | 22.2\% | 4.6\% | 20.0\% | 25.0\% | 0.0\% | 14.3\% |
| I don't know | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
|  | 0.0\% | 4.6\% | 0.0\% | 8.3\% | 0.0\% | 3.2\% |
| Count | 9 | 22 | 15 | 12 | 5 | 63 |

Table J. Overall, how did your organization's ADP (average daily participation) in 2020 compare to 2019?

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Increased | 19 | 53 | 35 | 23 | 13 | 143 |
|  | 43.2\% | 55.8\% | 50.0\% | 46.9\% | 54.2\% | 50.7\% |
| Stayed about the same | 5 | 14 | 7 | 2 | 2 | 30 |
|  | 11.4\% | 14.7\% | 10.0\% | 4.1\% | 8.3\% | 10.6\% |
| Decreased | 16 | 23 | 27 | 21 | 9 | 96 |
|  | 36.4\% | 24.2\% | 38.6\% | 42.9\% | 37.5\% | 34.0\% |
| I don't know | 4 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 13 |
|  | 9.1\% | 5.3\% | 1.4\% | 6.1\% | 0.0\% | 4.6\% |
| Count | 44 | 95 | 70 | 49 | 24 | 282 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Table K. Overall, how did your organization's total number of meals reimbursed in 2020 compare to 2019?

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Increased | 18 | 51 | 35 | 23 | 11 | 138 |
|  | 40.9\% | 53.1\% | 49.3\% | 46.9\% | 45.8\% | 48.6\% |
| Stayed about the same | 5 | 12 | 6 | 3 | 2 | 28 |
|  | 11.4\% | 12.5\% | 8.5\% | 6.1\% | 8.3\% | 9.9\% |
| Decreased | 17 | 27 | 29 | 20 | 11 | 104 |
|  | 38.6\% | 28.1\% | 40.9\% | 40.8\% | 45.8\% | 36.6\% |
| I don't know | 4 | 6 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 14 |
|  | 9.1\% | 6.3\% | 1.4\% | 6.1\% | 0.0\% | 4.9\% |
| Count | 44 | 96 | 71 | 49 | 24 | 284 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Table L. In your opinion, what contributed to the drop in participation? (Select all that apply.)

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Food quality | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
|  | 0.0\% | 3.7\% | 3.6\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 1.9\% |
| Timing of meal service | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
|  | 0.0\% | 3.7\% | 7.1\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 2.9\% |
| Change in type of meals served at site | 0 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 8 |
|  | 0.0\% | 11.1\% | 14.3\% | 5.0\% | 0.0\% | 7.8\% |
| Limited or lack of activities offered at site | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 7 |
|  | 5.9\% | 3.7\% | 7.1\% | 10.0\% | 9.1\% | 6.8\% |
| Meals disallowed by state agency | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
|  | 5.9\% | 0.0\% | 3.6\% | 0.0\% | 9.1\% | 2.9\% |
| Lack of awareness | 1 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 8 |
|  | 5.9\% | 11.1\% | 10.7\% | 0.0\% | 9.1\% | 7.8\% |
| Children/families are aware of program, but choose not to participate (e.g. fear of deportation, aren't familiar with org/staff, parents want children to stay home, etc.) | 3 | 10 | 12 | 7 | 4 | 36 |
|  | 17.7\% | 37.0\% | 42.9\% | 35.0\% | 36.4\% | 35.0\% |
| Drop in summer school enrollment | 3 | 7 | 8 | 3 | 2 | 23 |
|  | 17.7\% | 25.9\% | 28.6\% | 15.0\% | 18.2\% | 22.3\% |
| Fewer sites are operating | 1 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 12 |
|  | 5.9\% | 7.4\% | 17.9\% | 10.0\% | 18.2\% | 11.7\% |
| Operating fewer days during the summer | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
|  | 0.0\% | 7.4\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 9.1\% | 2.9\% |
| Transportation/accessibility of site | 5 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 25 |
|  | 29.4\% | 22.2\% | 10.7\% | 25.0\% | 54.6\% | 24.3\% |
| Local/state COVID restrictions | 11 | 14 | 12 | 9 | 8 | 54 |
|  | 64.7\% | 51.9\% | 42.9\% | 45.0\% | 72.7\% | 52.4\% |
| Fear of COVID/COVID General | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 6 |
|  | 11.8\% | 3.9\% | 7.1\% | 5.9\% | 0.0\% | 6.1\% |
| Other | 3 | 2 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 15 |
|  | 17.7\% | 7.4\% | 17.9\% | 20.0\% | 9.1\% | 14.6\% |
| I don't know | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
|  | 5.9\% | 7.4\% | 7.1\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 4.9\% |
| Count | 17 | 27 | 28 | 20 | 11 | 103 |

Table M. In your opinion, what contributed to the increase in participation? (Select all that apply.)

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| More operating sites | 3 | 12 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 29 |
|  | 17.7\% | 23.5\% | 20.0\% | 17.4\% | 27.3\% | 21.2\% |
| Introduction of different delivery methods (e.g. mobile meals) | 5 | 18 | 12 | 9 | 3 | 47 |
|  | 29.4\% | 35.3\% | 34.3\% | 39.1\% | 27.3\% | 34.3\% |
| Increased days of service | 2 | 12 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 24 |
|  | 11.8\% | 23.5\% | 11.4\% | 8.7\% | 36.4\% | 17.5\% |
| Increased summer school enrollment | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
|  | 0.0\% | 3.9\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 9.1\% | 2.2\% |
| Effective marketing | 2 | 10 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 19 |
|  | 11.8\% | 19.6\% | 8.6\% | 8.7\% | 18.2\% | 13.9\% |
| Improved food quality | 1 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 9 |
|  | 5.9\% | 7.8\% | 8.6\% | 4.4\% | 0.0\% | 6.6\% |
| Improved programming | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
|  | 0.0\% | 2.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 9.1\% | 1.5\% |
| Accommodating service times | 4 | 21 | 9 | 4 | 4 | 42 |
|  | 23.5\% | 41.2\% | 25.7\% | 17.4\% | 36.4\% | 30.7\% |
| Increased economies of scale (i.e. sponsor fiscally able to provide more meals) | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
|  | 0.0\% | 2.0\% | 2.9\% | 4.4\% | 0.0\% | 2.2\% |
| Increased need due to COVID | 16 | 47 | 32 | 19 | 10 | 124 |
|  | 94.1\% | 92.2\% | 91.4\% | 82.6\% | 90.9\% | 90.5\% |
| Other | 1 | 6 | 6 | 3 | 2 | 18 |
|  | 5.9\% | 11.8\% | 17.1\% | 13.0\% | 18.2\% | 13.1\% |
| I don't know | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
|  | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 2.9\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.7\% |
| Count | 17 | 51 | 35 | 23 | 11 | 137 |

Table N. Were any of the following challenges for your program during summer 2020? (Select all that apply.)

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Amount of reimbursement | 10 | 11 | 6 | 3 | 2 | 32 |
|  | 19.2\% | 10.1\% | 8.0\% | 5.8\% | 8.0\% | 10.2\% |
| Filing paperwork | 7 | 15 | 6 | 10 | 6 | 44 |
|  | 13.5\% | 13.8\% | 8.0\% | 19.2\% | 24.0\% | 14.1\% |
| Low participation by children | 20 | 39 | 27 | 25 | 10 | 121 |
|  | 38.5\% | 35.8\% | 36.0\% | 48.1\% | 40.0\% | 38.7\% |
| Transportation | 7 | 16 | 14 | 7 | 3 | 47 |
|  | 13.5\% | 14.7\% | 18.7\% | 13.5\% | 12.0\% | 15.0\% |
| Insufficient funds to cover costs of meals | 5 | 18 | 6 | 7 | 0 | 36 |
|  | 9.6\% | 16.5\% | 8.0\% | 13.5\% | 0.0\% | 11.5\% |
| Insufficient staff capacity to serve meals | 5 | 19 | 10 | 15 | 3 | 52 |
|  | 9.6\% | 17.4\% | 13.3\% | 28.9\% | 12.0\% | 16.6\% |
| Unable to successfully transport meals to sites | 0 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 6 |
|  | 0.0\% | 1.8\% | 1.3\% | 3.9\% | 4.0\% | 1.9\% |
| Unable to provide quality meals | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 |
|  | 1.9\% | 1.8\% | 1.3\% | 1.9\% | 4.0\% | 1.9\% |
| Unable to get enough sites to serve meals | 1 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 11 |
|  | 1.9\% | 3.7\% | 2.7\% | 1.9\% | 12.0\% | 3.5\% |
| Health Department policies | 1 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 12 |
|  | 1.9\% | 3.7\% | 4.0\% | 1.9\% | 12.0\% | 3.8\% |
| Precuring menu items (to comply with meal patterns) | 12 | 35 | 18 | 11 | 10 | 86 |
|  | 23.1\% | 32.1\% | 24.0\% | 21.2\% | 40.0\% | 27.5\% |
| Covering expenses related to new methods of meal distribution | 12 | 43 | 25 | 17 | 5 | 102 |
|  | 23.1\% | 39.5\% | 33.3\% | 32.7\% | 20.0\% | 32.6\% |
| Acquiring PPE (e.g. masks, gloves, hand sanitizer, etc.) for meal service | 11 | 22 | 17 | 6 | 9 | 65 |
|  | 21.2\% | 20.2\% | 22.7\% | 11.5\% | 36.0\% | 20.8\% |
| Lack of information about safety protocols related to COVID | 3 | 5 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 22 |
|  | 5.8\% | 4.6\% | 9.3\% | 7.7\% | 12.0\% | 7.0\% |
| Other | 5 | 8 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 21 |
|  | 9.6\% | 7.3\% | 9.3\% | 1.9\% | 0.0\% | 6.7\% |
| We did not experience any challenges | 13 | 16 | 11 | 8 | 3 | 51 |
|  | 25.0\% | 14.7\% | 14.7\% | 15.4\% | 12.0\% | 16.3\% |
| Count | 52 | 109 | 75 | 52 | 25 | 313 |

Table 0 . With additional funds or capacity, which of the following would your organization consider working on to expand the program? (Select all that apply.)

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Increase number of children served | 26 | 66 | 47 | 35 | 17 | 191 |
|  | 76.5\% | 81.5\% | 72.3\% | 77.8\% | 68.0\% | 76.4\% |
| Increase number of sites | 4 | 21 | 16 | 9 | 7 | 57 |
|  | 11.8\% | 25.9\% | 24.6\% | 20.0\% | 28.0\% | 22.8\% |
| Increased number of days current sites open | 5 | 13 | 12 | 6 | 7 | 43 |
|  | 14.7\% | 16.1\% | 18.5\% | 13.3\% | 28.0\% | 17.2\% |
| Increase number of meals offered | 7 | 12 | 15 | 8 | 5 | 47 |
|  | 20.6\% | 14.8\% | 23.1\% | 17.8\% | 20.0\% | 18.8\% |
| Increase types of meals offered (i.e., supersnack, breakfast) | 12 | 19 | 23 | 13 | 4 | 71 |
|  | 35.3\% | 23.5\% | 35.4\% | 28.9\% | 16.0\% | 28.4\% |
| Other | 3 | 7 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 15 |
|  | 8.8\% | 8.6\% | 4.6\% | 4.4\% | 0.0\% | 6.0\% |
| Count | 34 | 81 | 65 | 45 | 25 | 250 |

Table P. In summer 2020, did your program pay for itself or did it require additional funds outside of Texas Department of Agriculture's meal reimbursements to operate?

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |  |
| Paid for itself | 18 | 52 | 42 | 24 | 13 | 149 |  |
|  | $43.9 \%$ | $59.8 \%$ | $61.8 \%$ | $53.3 \%$ | $59.1 \%$ | $56.7 \%$ |  |
| Required additional funds | 23 | 35 | 26 | 21 | 9 | 114 |  |
|  | $56.1 \%$ | $40.2 \%$ | $38.2 \%$ | $46.7 \%$ | $40.9 \%$ | $43.4 \%$ |  |
| I don't know | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
|  | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ |  |
| Count | 41 | 87 | 68 | 45 | 22 | 263 |  |
| Total | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |  |

Table Q. What was the source of the additional funds? (Select all that apply.)

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Individual donors | 4 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 12 |
|  | 19.1\% | 9.1\% | 12.0\% | 10.0\% | 0.0\% | 11.1\% |
| School General Fund | 13 | 18 | 12 | 12 | 6 | 61 |
|  | 61.9\% | 54.6\% | 48.0\% | 60.0\% | 66.7\% | 56.5\% |
| Nutrition Department Funds | 5 | 10 | 11 | 7 | 2 | 35 |
|  | 23.8\% | 30.3\% | 44.0\% | 35.0\% | 22.2\% | 32.4\% |
| Funding from other programs within your organization | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 8 |
|  | 9.5\% | 9.1\% | 4.0\% | 5.0\% | 11.1\% | 7.4\% |
| Grants | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 14 |
|  | 19.1\% | 12.1\% | 12.0\% | 15.0\% | 0.0\% | 13.0\% |
| Other | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
|  | 0.0\% | 3.0\% | 0.0\% | 5.0\% | 11.1\% | 2.8\% |
| Count | 21 | 33 | 25 | 20 | 9 | 108 |

Table R. How did you use these additional funds? (Select all that apply.)

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Cover food costs | 12 | 20 | 21 | 15 | 8 | 76 |
|  | $57.1 \%$ | $62.5 \%$ | $84.0 \%$ | $75.0 \%$ | $88.9 \%$ | $71.0 \%$ |
| Support staffing costs | 19 | 24 | 21 | 16 | 7 | 87 |
|  | $90.5 \%$ | $75.0 \%$ | $84.0 \%$ | $80.0 \%$ | $77.8 \%$ | $81.3 \%$ |
| Supplies to prepare, store, <br> deliver food | 11 | 14 | 11 | 9 | 3 | 48 |
|  | $52.4 \%$ | $43.8 \%$ | $44.0 \%$ | $45.0 \%$ | $33.3 \%$ | $44.9 \%$ |
| Cover transportation costs <br> for food | 2 | 7 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 22 |
|  | $9.5 \%$ | $21.9 \%$ | $20.0 \%$ | $25.0 \%$ | $33.3 \%$ | $20.6 \%$ |
| Support activities for chil- <br> dren | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
|  | $9.5 \%$ | $3.1 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $2.8 \%$ |
| Provide meals to parents | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 6 |
|  | $4.8 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $8.0 \%$ | $15.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $5.6 \%$ |
| Provide additional meal or <br> snack | 3 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 10 |
|  | $4 \%$ | $6.3 \%$ | $16.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $11.1 \%$ | $9.4 \%$ |
| Provide PPE (e.g., masks, <br> gloves, hand sanitizer, etc.) <br> for meal prep or delivery | 4 | 12 | 16 | 11 | 2 | 45 |
|  | $19.1 \%$ | $37.5 \%$ | $64.0 \%$ | $55.0 \%$ | $22.2 \%$ | $42.1 \%$ |
| Other | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
|  | $4.8 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.9 \%$ |
| Count | 21 | 32 | 25 | 20 | 9 | 107 |

Table S.1. Please rate the following aspects of your summer meals experience during summer 2020.

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Process for claim reimbursement Extremely negative | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
|  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
|  | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 1.5\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.3\% |
| Somewhat negative | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 5 |
|  | 2.1\% | 1.9\% | 1.5\% | 2.0\% | 0.0\% | 1.7\% |
| Neither positive nor negative | 9 | 18 | 10 | 16 | 3 | 56 |
|  | 19.2\% | 17.5\% | 14.9\% | 32.0\% | 13.0\% | 19.3\% |
| Somewhat positive | 13 | 29 | 21 | 18 | 7 | 88 |
|  | 27.7\% | 28.2\% | 31.3\% | 36.0\% | 30.4\% | 30.3\% |
| Extremely positive | 24 | 54 | 34 | 15 | 13 | 140 |
|  | 51.1\% | 52.4\% | 50.8\% | 30.0\% | 56.5\% | 48.3\% |
| Count | 47 | 103 | 67 | 50 | 23 | 290 |
| Total <br> Technical assistance by state agency | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Extremely negative | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
|  | 0.0\% | 2.1\% | 1.5\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 1.1\% |
| Somewhat negative | 3 | 4 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 18 |
|  | 7.0\% | 4.2\% | 8.8\% | 8.7\% | 4.4\% | 6.5\% |
| Neither positive nor negative | 11 | 20 | 10 | 6 | 3 | 50 |
|  | 25.6\% | 20.8\% | 14.7\% | 13.0\% | 13.0\% | 18.1\% |
| Somewhat positive | 15 | 24 | 21 | 19 | 8 | 87 |
|  | 34.9\% | 25.0\% | 30.9\% | 41.3\% | 34.8\% | 31.5\% |
| Extremely positive | 14 | 46 | 30 | 17 | 11 | 118 |
|  | 32.6\% | 47.9\% | 44.1\% | 37.0\% | 47.8\% | 42.8\% |
| Count | 43 | 96 | 68 | 46 | 23 | 276 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Assistance or training before application | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Extremely negative | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
|  | 0.0\% | 2.1\% | 1.5\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 1.1\% |
| Somewhat negative | 1 | 8 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 17 |
|  | 2.2\% | 8.3\% | 4.6\% | 6.4\% | 8.7\% | 6.1\% |
| Neither positive nor negative | 13 | 25 | 23 | 17 | 2 | 80 |
|  | 28.3\% | 26.0\% | 35.4\% | 36.2\% | 8.7\% | 28.9\% |
| Somewhat positive | 14 | 31 | 19 | 15 | 8 | 87 |
|  | 30.4\% | 32.3\% | 29.2\% | 31.9\% | 34.8\% | 31.4\% |
| Extremely positive | 18 | 30 | 19 | 12 | 11 | 90 |
|  | 39.1\% | 31.3\% | 29.2\% | 25.5\% | 47.8\% | 32.5\% |
| Count | 46 | 96 | 65 | 47 | 23 | 277 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Application process | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Extremely negative | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 7 |
|  | 2.4\% | 1.1\% | 4.7\% | 4.2\% | 0.0\% | 2.6\% |
| Somewhat negative | 1 | 9 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 20 |
|  | 2.4\% | 9.6\% | 9.4\% | 4.2\% | 9.1\% | 7.4\% |
| Neither positive nor negative | 10 | 25 | 14 | 13 | 6 | 68 |
|  | 23.8\% | 26.6\% | 21.9\% | 27.1\% | 27.3\% | 25.2\% |
| Somewhat positive | 15 | 29 | 24 | 20 | 6 | 94 |
|  | 35.7\% | 30.9\% | 37.5\% | 41.7\% | 27.3\% | 34.8\% |
| Extremely positive | 15 | 30 | 17 | 11 | 8 | 81 |
|  | 35.7\% | 31.9\% | 26.6\% | 22.9\% | 36.4\% | 30.0\% |
| Count | 42 | 94 | 64 | 48 | 22 | 270 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Table S.2. Please rate the following aspects of your summer meals experience during summer 2020.

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Site approvals and/or inspections | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Extremely negative | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
|  | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 1.6\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Somewhat negative | 0 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 6 |
|  | 0.0\% | 3.9\% | 0.0\% | 4.4\% | 0.0\% | 2.1\% |
| Neither positive nor negative | 12 | 27 | 19 | 12 | 5 | 75 |
|  | 26.1\% | 26.5\% | 29.7\% | 26.1\% | 20.8\% | 26.6\% |
| Somewhat positive | 13 | 26 | 19 | 21 | 8 | 87 |
|  | 28.3\% | 25.5\% | 29.7\% | 45.7\% | 33.3\% | 30.9\% |
| Extremely positive | 21 | 45 | 25 | 11 | 11 | 113 |
|  | 45.7\% | 44.1\% | 39.1\% | 23.9\% | 45.8\% | 40.1\% |
| Count | 46 | 102 | 64 | 46 | 24 | 282 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Technical assistance by other organization | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Extremely negative | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
|  | 0.0\% | 1.2\% | 3.5\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 1.2\% |
| Somewhat negative | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 11 |
|  | 5.3\% | 3.5\% | 3.5\% | 4.9\% | 8.7\% | 4.5\% |
| Neither positive nor negative | 12 | 24 | 16 | 16 | 3 | 71 |
|  | 31.6\% | 27.9\% | 28.1\% | 39.0\% | 13.0\% | 29.0\% |
| Somewhat positive | 10 | 24 | 18 | 12 | 7 | 71 |
|  | 26.3\% | 27.9\% | 31.6\% | 29.3\% | 30.4\% | 29.0\% |
| Extremely positive | 14 | 34 | 19 | 11 | 11 | 89 |
|  | 36.8\% | 39.5\% | 33.3\% | 26.8\% | 47.8\% | 36.3\% |
| Count | 38 | 86 | 57 | 41 | 23 | 245 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Learning about/ understanding waivers | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Extremely negative | 1 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 10 |
|  | 2.1\% | 6.8\% | 2.9\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 3.4\% |
| Somewhat negative | 4 | 14 | 11 | 8 | 4 | 41 |
|  | 8.3\% | 13.6\% | 16.2\% | 16.0\% | 16.7\% | 14.0\% |
| Neither positive nor negative | 13 | 18 | 13 | 12 | 4 | 60 |
|  | 27.1\% | 17.5\% | 19.1\% | 24.0\% | 16.7\% | 20.5\% |
| Somewhat positive | 16 | 35 | 30 | 16 | 7 | 104 |
|  | 33.3\% | 34.0\% | 44.1\% | 32.0\% | 29.2\% | 35.5\% |
| Extremely positive | 14 | 29 | 12 | 14 | 9 | 78 |
|  | 29.2\% | 28.2\% | 17.7\% | 28.0\% | 37.5\% | 26.6\% |
| Count | 48 | 103 | 68 | 50 | 24 | 293 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Table T. Approximately how many days did you serve meals in summer $2020 ?$

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| 10 or fewer | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
|  | $6.3 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $2.8 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $1.7 \%$ |
| $11-25$ | 7 | 13 | 8 | 5 | 3 | 36 |
|  | $14.6 \%$ | $12.6 \%$ | $11.1 \%$ | $10.2 \%$ | $13.0 \%$ | $12.2 \%$ |
| $26-39$ | 12 | 19 | 11 | 8 | 8 | 58 |
|  | $25.0 \%$ | $18.5 \%$ | $15.3 \%$ | $16.3 \%$ | $34.8 \%$ | $19.7 \%$ |
| $40-55$ | 6 | 16 | 7 | 7 | 1 | 37 |
|  | $13.0 \%$ | $15.5 \%$ | $9.7 \%$ | $14.3 \%$ | $4.4 \%$ | $12.5 \%$ |
| $56--69$ | 3 | 10 | 11 | 6 | 2 | 32 |
|  | $6.3 \%$ | $9.7 \%$ | $15.3 \%$ | $12.2 \%$ | $8.7 \%$ | $10.9 \%$ |
| 70 or more | 17 | 45 | 33 | 23 | 9 | 127 |
|  | $35.4 \%$ | $43.7 \%$ | $45.8 \%$ | $46.9 \%$ | $39.1 \%$ | $43.1 \%$ |
| Count | 48 | 103 | 72 | 49 | 23 | 295 |
| Total | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |

Table U. What type of meals did you serve in summer 2020? (Select all that apply.)

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Breakfast | 36 | 97 | 72 | 51 | 21 | 277 |
|  | 72.0\% | 91.5\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 91.3\% | 91.7\% |
| AM Snack | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
|  | 4.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 2.0\% | 0.0\% | 1.0\% |
| Lunch | 48 | 104 | 72 | 51 | 22 | 297 |
|  | 96.0\% | 98.1\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 95.7\% | 98.3\% |
| PM Snack | 6 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 23 |
|  | 12.0\% | 5.7\% | 5.6\% | 7.8\% | 13.0\% | 7.6\% |
| Dinner | 2 | 6 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 18 |
|  | 4.0\% | 5.7\% | 2.8\% | 9.8\% | 13.0\% | 6.0\% |
| Count | 50 | 106 | 72 | 51 | 23 | 302 |

Table V. What is your meal preparation method?

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Vended | 1 | 6 | 8 | 3 | 2 | 20 |
|  | 2.0\% | 5.7\% | 11.1\% | 6.0\% | 8.3\% | 6.7\% |
| Self Prep | 48 | 99 | 64 | 47 | 22 | 280 |
|  | 98.0\% | 94.3\% | 88.9\% | 94.0\% | 91.7\% | 93.3\% |
| Count | 49 | 105 | 72 | 50 | 24 | 300 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Table W.1. Please rate your satisfaction with your vendor in the following areas.

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Overall experience <br> Somewhat dissatisfied | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
|  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 33.3\% | 0.0\% | 5.0\% |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% |
| Somewhat satisfied | 0 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 8 |
|  | 0.0\% | 33.3\% | 37.5\% | 66.7\% | 50.0\% | 40.0\% |
| Extremely satisfied | 1 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 11 |
|  | 100.0 | 66.7\% | 62.5\% | 0.0\% | 50.0\% | 55.0\% |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Quality of food | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Somewhat dissatisfied | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 33.3\% | 0.0\% | 5.0\% |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% |
| Somewhat satisfied | 0 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 12 |
|  | 0.0\% | 66.7\% | 50.0\% | 66.7\% | 100.0\% | 60.0\% |
| Extremely satisfied | 1 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
|  | 100.0\% | 33.3\% | 50.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 35.0\% |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Efficacy of delivery method | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Somewhat dissatisfied | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 33.3\% | 0.0\% | 5.0\% |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 33.3\% | 0.0\% | 5.0\% |
| Somewhat satisfied | 0 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 8 |
|  | 0.0\% | 33.3\% | 50.0\% | 33.3\% | 50.0\% | 40.0\% |
| Extremely satisfied | 1 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 10 |
|  | 100.0\% | 66.7\% | 50.0\% | 0.0\% | 50.0\% | 50.0\% |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Overall food procurement (finding the types of food that met menu requirements) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 33.3\% | 0.0\% | 5.0\% |
| Somewhat satisfied | 0 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 10 |
|  | 0.0\% | 66.7\% | 50.0\% | 33.3\% | 50.0\% | 50.0\% |
| Extremely satisfied | 1 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 9 |
|  | 100.0\% | 33.3\% | 50.0\% | 33.3\% | 50.0\% | 45.0\% |
| Count | 1 | 6 | 8 | 3 | 2 | 20 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Table X. Where do you obtain the food? (Select all that apply.)

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Co-op | 25 | 40 | 26 | 24 | 7 | 122 |
|  | 53.2\% | 40.4\% | 40.6\% | 51.1\% | 31.8\% | 43.7\% |
| School leftovers | 6 | 24 | 14 | 12 | 5 | 61 |
|  | 12.8\% | 24.2\% | 21.9\% | 25.5\% | 22.7\% | 21.9\% |
| Approved vendors (Labatt, Sysco, etc.) | 34 | 82 | 54 | 43 | 19 | 232 |
|  | 72.3\% | 82.8\% | 84.4\% | 91.5\% | 86.4\% | 83.2\% |
| Warehouse markets (Sam's, COSTCO..) | 6 | 11 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 25 |
|  | 12.8\% | 11.1\% | 7.8\% | 6.4\% | 0.0\% | 9.0\% |
| Other grocery retailers | 8 | 9 | 7 | 1 | 3 | 28 |
|  | 17.0\% | 9.1\% | 10.9\% | 2.1\% | 13.6\% | 10.0\% |
| Other | 1 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 11 |
|  | 2.1\% | 5.1\% | 4.7\% | 2.1\% | 4.6\% | 3.9\% |
| Count | 47 | 99 | 64 | 47 | 22 | 279 |

Table Y. Is the food prepared in a central kitchen?

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Yes | 34 | 57 | 25 | 24 | 14 | 154 |
|  | 70.8\% | 57.6\% | 39.7\% | 51.1\% | 63.6\% | 55.2\% |
| No | 14 | 42 | 38 | 23 | 8 | 125 |
|  | 29.2\% | 42.4\% | 60.3\% | 48.9\% | 36.4\% | 44.8\% |
| Count | 48 | 99 | 63 | 47 | 22 | 279 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Table Z.1. Approximately how many staff or volunteers do you require for the following?

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Delivering food | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| 0-5 | 37 | 61 | 37 | 29 | 13 | 177 |
|  | 78.7\% | 62.2\% | 53.6\% | 58.0\% | 61.9\% | 62.1\% |
| 6--10 | 7 | 22 | 16 | 6 | 3 | 54 |
|  | 14.9\% | 22.5\% | 23.2\% | 12.0\% | 14.3\% | 19.0\% |
| More than 10 | 3 | 15 | 16 | 15 | 5 | 54 |
|  | 6.4\% | 15.3\% | 23.2\% | 30.0\% | 23.8\% | 19.0\% |
| Count | 47 | 98 | 69 | 50 | 21 | 285 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Table Z.2. Approximately how many staff or volunteers do you require for the following?

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Monitoring sites | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| 0-5 | 38 | 75 | 50 | 33 | 14 | 210 |
|  | 77.6\% | 72.8\% | 69.4\% | 64.7\% | 66.7\% | 71.0\% |
| 6-10 | 6 | 20 | 11 | 6 | 4 | 47 |
|  | 12.2\% | 19.4\% | 15.3\% | 11.8\% | 19.1\% | 15.9\% |
| More than 10 | 5 | 8 | 11 | 12 | 3 | 39 |
|  | 10.2\% | 7.8\% | 15.3\% | 23.5\% | 14.3\% | 13.2\% |
| Count | 49 | 103 | 72 | 51 | 21 | 296 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Table A.A. What transportation is necessary within your organization to obtain the meals? (Select all that apply.)

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Vendor delivery to a central kitchen then distribution by sponsor | 2 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 17 |
|  | 4.3\% | 5.0\% | 5.6\% | 7.8\% | 8.7\% | 5.8\% |
| Vendor delivery to a central kitchen then pick up by sites | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 7 |
|  | 4.3\% | 1.0\% | 2.8\% | 2.0\% | 4.4\% | 2.4\% |
| Vendor delivers directly to site | 9 | 22 | 25 | 18 | 8 | 82 |
|  | 19.2\% | 21.8\% | 34.7\% | 35.3\% | 34.8\% | 27.9\% |
| Sponsor prepares and delivers to sites | 10 | 30 | 14 | 5 | 6 | 65 |
|  | 21.3\% | 29.7\% | 19.4\% | 9.8\% | 26.1\% | 22.1\% |
| Sponsor prepares meals and sites pick up | 6 | 9 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 27 |
|  | 12.8\% | 8.9\% | 5.6\% | 5.9\% | 21.7\% | 9.2\% |
| No transportation needed (prep on site) | 27 | 54 | 32 | 29 | 10 | 152 |
|  | 57.5\% | 53.5\% | 44.4\% | 56.9\% | 43.5\% | 51.7\% |
| Other | 2 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 13 |
|  | 4.3\% | 5.0\% | 5.6\% | 2.0\% | 4.4\% | 4.4\% |
| Count | 47 | 101 | 72 | 51 | 23 | 294 |

Table A.B. What types of transportation options did families use to get to your sites in 2020 ? (Select all that apply.)

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Public transportation | 6 | 7 | 12 | 7 | 4 | 36 |
|  | 12.2\% | 6.8\% | 16.9\% | 13.7\% | 16.7\% | 12.1\% |
| Walk | 35 | 67 | 46 | 41 | 13 | 202 |
|  | 71.4\% | 65.1\% | 64.8\% | 80.4\% | 54.2\% | 67.8\% |
| Transport in car | 49 | 95 | 67 | 48 | 23 | 282 |
|  | 100.0\% | 92.2\% | 94.4\% | 94.1\% | 95.8\% | 94.6\% |
| School bus | 3 | 13 | 12 | 5 | 6 | 39 |
|  | 6.1\% | 12.6\% | 16.9\% | 9.8\% | 25.0\% | 13.1\% |
| Other | 1 | 3 | 7 | 3 | 3 | 17 |
|  | 2.0\% | 2.9\% | 9.9\% | 5.9\% | 12.5\% | 5.7\% |
| Count | 49 | 103 | 71 | 51 | 24 | 298 |

Table A.C. What is your method of documenting the daily meal count at each site?

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Record by filling out paper form | 42 | 80 | 42 | 38 | 12 | 214 |
|  | 85.7\% | 76.9\% | 58.3\% | 74.5\% | 50.0\% | 71.3\% |
| Record via app | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 5 |
|  | 0.0\% | 1.0\% | 2.8\% | 2.0\% | 4.2\% | 1.7\% |
| Combination of online and paper methods | 7 | 23 | 28 | 12 | 11 | 81 |
|  | 14.3\% | 22.1\% | 38.9\% | 23.5\% | 45.8\% | 27.0\% |
| Count | 49 | 104 | 72 | 51 | 24 | 300 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Table A.D. What is your method of aggregating each of the site total meal counts at the sponsor level?

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Electronic record manager | 1 | 10 | 12 | 9 | 5 | 37 |
|  | $2.0 \%$ | $9.7 \%$ | $16.9 \%$ | $17.7 \%$ | $20.8 \%$ | $12.4 \%$ |
| Counts tallied on paper | 34 | 54 | 28 | 26 | 11 | 153 |
|  | $69.4 \%$ | $52.4 \%$ | $39.4 \%$ | $51.0 \%$ | $45.8 \%$ | $51.3 \%$ |
| Combination of electronic <br> and paper | 14 | 39 | 31 | 16 | 8 | 108 |
|  | $28.6 \%$ | $37.9 \%$ | $43.7 \%$ | $31.4 \%$ | $33.3 \%$ | $36.2 \%$ |
| Count | 49 | 103 | 71 | 51 | 24 | 298 |
| Total | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |

Table A.E.1. How many of your sites provide the following services?

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Activities for Children | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| None | 34 | 69 | 51 | 30 | 12 | 196 |
|  | 70.8\% | 72.6\% | 73.9\% | 60.0\% | 50.0\% | 68.5\% |
| Some | 4 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 4 | 34 |
|  | 8.3\% | 9.5\% | 13.0\% | 16.0\% | 16.7\% | 11.9\% |
| Most | 1 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 11 |
|  | 2.1\% | 3.2\% | 1.5\% | 6.0\% | 12.5\% | 3.9\% |
| All | 9 | 14 | 8 | 9 | 5 | 45 |
|  | 18.8\% | 14.7\% | 1160.0\% | 18.0\% | 20.8\% | 15.7\% |
| Count | 48 | 95 | 69 | 50 | 24 | 286 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Transportation | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| None | 36 | 68 | 50 | 28 | 11 | 193 |
|  | 76.6\% | 68.7\% | 71.4\% | 56.0\% | 45.8\% | 66.6\% |
| Some | 2 | 14 | 7 | 9 | 4 | 36 |
|  | 4.3\% | 14.1\% | 10.0\% | 18.0\% | 16.7\% | 12.4\% |
| Most | 1 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 12 |
|  | 2.1\% | 2.0\% | 4.3\% | 4.0\% | 16.7\% | 4.1\% |
| All | 8 | 15 | 10 | 11 | 5 | 49 |
|  | 17.0\% | 15.2\% | 14.3\% | 22.0\% | 20.8\% | 16.9\% |
| Count | 47 | 99 | 70 | 50 | 24 | 290 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Incentives for Participation | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| None | 38 | 70 | 59 | 35 | 15 | 217 |
|  | 84.4\% | 75.3\% | 84.3\% | 72.9\% | 65.2\% | 77.8\% |
| Some | 2 | 7 | 5 | 6 | 2 | 22 |
|  | 4.4\% | 7.5\% | 7.1\% | 12.5\% | 8.7\% | 7.9\% |
| Most | 1 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 14 |
|  | 2.2\% | 3.2\% | 2.9\% | 8.3\% | 17.4\% | 5.0\% |
| All | 4 | 13 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 26 |
|  | 8.9\% | 14.0\% | 5.7\% | 6.3\% | 8.7\% | 9.3\% |
| Count | 45 | 93 | 70 | 48 | 23 | 279 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Table A.E.2. How many of your sites provide the following services?

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Outreach for Serv-ices (e.g. SNAP) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| None | 27 | 43 | 43 | 23 | 10 | 146 |
|  | 61.4\% | 47.8\% | 62.3\% | 48.9\% | 43.5\% | 53.5\% |
| Some | 4 | 17 | 7 | 5 | 4 | 37 |
|  | 9.1\% | 18.9\% | 10.1\% | 10.6\% | 17.4\% | 13.6\% |
| Most | 2 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 17 |
|  | 4.6\% | 6.7\% | 4.4\% | 10.6\% | 4.4\% | 6.2\% |
| All | 11 | 24 | 16 | 14 | 8 | 73 |
|  | 25.0\% | 26.7\% | 23.2\% | 29.8\% | 34.8\% | 26.7\% |
| Count | 44 | 90 | 69 | 47 | 23 | 273 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Grab and Go Pick-up Options | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| None | 4 | 6 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 17 |
|  | 8.3\% | 5.8\% | 7.0\% | 2.0\% | 4.2\% | 5.7\% |
| Some | 3 | 14 | 6 | 9 | 4 | 36 |
|  | 6.3\% | 13.5\% | 8.5\% | 18.0\% | 16.7\% | 12.1\% |
| Most | 5 | 12 | 7 | 5 | 1 | 30 |
|  | 10.4\% | 11.5\% | 9.9\% | 10.0\% | 4.2\% | 10.1\% |
| All | 36 | 72 | 53 | 35 | 18 | 214 |
|  | 75.0\% | 69.2\% | 74.7\% | 70.0\% | 75.0\% | 72.1\% |
| Count | 48 | 104 | 71 | 50 | 24 | 297 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Additional Food Sent Home | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| None | 41 | 56 | 44 | 31 | 16 | 188 |
|  | 83.7\% | 54.9\% | 63.8\% | 63.3\% | 66.7\% | 64.2\% |
| Some | 1 | 13 | 5 | 7 | 3 | 29 |
|  | 2.0\% | 12.8\% | 7.3\% | 14.3\% | 12.5\% | 9.9\% |
| Most | 2 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 13 |
|  | 4.1\% | 4.9\% | 4.4\% | 4.1\% | 4.2\% | 4.4\% |
| All | 5 | 28 | 17 | 9 | 4 | 63 |
|  | 10.2\% | 27.5\% | 24.6\% | 18.4\% | 16.7\% | 21.5\% |
| Count | 49 | 102 | 69 | 49 | 24 | 293 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Meals Offered to Parents for a Fee | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| None | 44 | 86 | 60 | 44 | 20 | 254 |
|  | 91.7\% | 84.3\% | 84.5\% | 89.8\% | 83.3\% | 86.4\% |
| Some | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 6 |
|  | 2.1\% | 1.0\% | 4.2\% | 2.0\% | 0.0\% | 2.0\% |
| Most | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
|  | 0.0\% | 2.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 4.2\% | 1.0\% |
| All | 3 | 13 | 8 | 4 | 3 | 31 |
|  | 6.3\% | 12.8\% | 11.3\% | 8.2\% | 12.5\% | 10.5\% |
| Count | 48 | 102 | 71 | 49 | 24 | 294 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Table A.E.3. How many of your sites provide the following services?

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Meals Offered to Parents at a Paid Rate | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| None | 42 | 83 | 62 | 36 | 19 | 242 |
|  | 89.4\% | 82.2\% | 87.3\% | 73.5\% | 79.2\% | 82.9\% |
| Some | 0 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 7 |
|  | 0.0\% | 1.0\% | 2.8\% | 8.2\% | 0.0\% | 2.4\% |
| Most | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
|  | 0.0\% | 1.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 4.2\% | 0.7\% |
| All | 5 | 16 | 7 | 9 | 4 | 41 |
|  | 10.6\% | 15.8\% | 9.9\% | 18.4\% | 16.7\% | 14.0\% |
| Count | 47 | 101 | 71 | 49 | 24 | 292 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Table A.F. How are families involved at your sites? (Select all that apply.)

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Provide transportation | 23 | 39 | 22 | 20 | 5 | 109 |
|  | $51.1 \%$ | $41.1 \%$ | $32.4 \%$ | $44.4 \%$ | $23.8 \%$ | $39.8 \%$ |
| Eat with the children | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
|  | $0.0 \%$ | $5.3 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $1.8 \%$ |
| Help with activities | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 7 |
|  | $6.7 \%$ | $1.1 \%$ | $1.5 \%$ | $2.2 \%$ | $4.8 \%$ | $2.6 \%$ |
| Other | 3 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 15 |
|  | $6.7 \%$ | $6.3 \%$ | $2.9 \%$ | $4.4 \%$ | $9.5 \%$ | $5.5 \%$ |
| Families are not Involved | 18 | 49 | 43 | 22 | 13 | 145 |
|  | $40.0 \%$ | $51.6 \%$ | $63.2 \%$ | $48.9 \%$ | $61.9 \%$ | $52.9 \%$ |
| Count | 45 | 95 | 68 | 45 | 21 | 274 |
| Total | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |

Table A.G. What specific types of support might help your program? (Select all that apply.)

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Funding for activities | 15 | 31 | 13 | 14 | 8 | 81 |
|  | 42.9\% | 34.8\% | 21.3\% | 32.6\% | 36.4\% | 32.4\% |
| Transportation for children | 14 | 46 | 28 | 12 | 11 | 111 |
|  | 40.0\% | 51.7\% | 45.9\% | 27.9\% | 50.0\% | 44.4\% |
| Transportation for meals | 11 | 37 | 29 | 19 | 10 | 106 |
|  | 31.4\% | 41.6\% | 47.5\% | 44.2\% | 45.5\% | 42.4\% |
| Increased \# of volunteers | 8 | 19 | 13 | 10 | 5 | 55 |
|  | 22.9\% | 21.4\% | 21.3\% | 23.3\% | 22.7\% | 22.0\% |
| Access to facilities | 0 | 10 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 19 |
|  | 0.0\% | 11.2\% | 4.9\% | 11.6\% | 4.6\% | 7.6\% |
| New equipment for meal service | 14 | 40 | 23 | 20 | 9 | 106 |
|  | 40.0\% | 44.9\% | 37.7\% | 46.5\% | 40.9\% | 42.4\% |
| Greater selection of vendors | 1 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 10 |
|  | 2.9\% | 3.4\% | 6.6\% | 4.7\% | 0.0\% | 4.0\% |
| Promotional materials/mar-keting/out-reach | 12 | 33 | 31 | 16 | 4 | 96 |
|  | 34.3\% | 37.1\% | 50.8\% | 37.2\% | 18.2\% | 38.4\% |
| Other | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
|  | 2.9\% | 0.0\% | 3.3\% | 2.3\% | 0.0\% | 1.6\% |
| Count | 35 | 89 | 61 | 43 | 22 | 250 |

Table A.H. Where does your organization obtain marketing resources? (Select all that apply.)

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Create materials in-house (site level) | 16 | 36 | 30 | 20 | 8 | 110 |
|  | 34.0\% | 36.0\% | 41.1\% | 40.8\% | 33.3\% | 37.5\% |
| Create materials in-house (sponsor level) | 9 | 23 | 25 | 11 | 6 | 74 |
|  | 19.2\% | 23.0\% | 34.3\% | 22.5\% | 25.0\% | 25.3\% |
| External partnership | 3 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 14 |
|  | 6.4\% | 4.0\% | 4.1\% | 4.1\% | 8.3\% | 4.8\% |
| Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA -state agency) | 46 | 95 | 62 | 43 | 21 | 267 |
|  | 97.9\% | 95.0\% | 84.9\% | 87.8\% | 87.5\% | 91.1\% |
| Texas Hunger Initiative Regional Office | 4 | 12 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 26 |
|  | 8.5\% | 12.0\% | 5.5\% | 8.2\% | 8.3\% | 8.9\% |
| Other | 0 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 6 |
|  | 0.0\% | 4.0\% | 0.0\% | 2.0\% | 4.2\% | 2.1\% |
| Count | 47 | 100 | 73 | 49 | 24 | 293 |

Table A.I. How did your organization receive TDA marketing materials? (Select all that apply.)

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 1 |  | 2 |  | 3 | 4 |
| Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Download/Print | 29 | 58 | 42 | 29 | 18 | 176 |
|  | $65.9 \%$ | $61.7 \%$ | $67.7 \%$ | $67.4 \%$ | $85.7 \%$ | $66.7 \%$ |
| Order (from TDA website- <br> mailed for free) | 37 | 82 | 51 | 32 | 17 | 219 |
|  | $84.1 \%$ | $87.2 \%$ | $82.3 \%$ | $74.4 \%$ | $81.0 \%$ | $83.0 \%$ |
| Count | 44 | 94 | 62 | 43 | 21 | 264 |

Table A.J.1. Please respond to the following statements regarding your organization's advertisement of the summer meals program in 2020.

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Television | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Select method(s) you utilized | 5 | 4 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 21 |
|  | 10.0\% | 3.9\% | 9.6\% | 3.9\% | 13.0\% | 7.0\% |
| Select which method(s) seemed to be most effective in getting children to sites | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 8 |
|  | 60.0\% | 50.0\% | 14.3\% | 100.0\% | 0.0\% | 38.1\% |
| Radio | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Select method(s) you utilized | 14 | 14 | 10 | 5 | 3 | 46 |
|  | 28.00\% | 13.73\% | 13.70\% | 9.80\% | 13.04\% | 15.38\% |
| Select which method(s) seemed to be most effective in getting children to | 11 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 24 |
|  | 78.57\% | 35.71\% | 50.00\% | 40.00\% | 33.33\% | 52.17\% |
| Continue to Table A.J. 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table A.J.2. Please respond to the following statements regarding your organization's advertisement of the summer meals program in 2020.


Table A.J.3. Please respond to the following statements regarding your organization's advertisement of the summer meals program in 2020.

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Collaboration with schools (e.g., robo-calls, flyers) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Select method(s) you utilized | 26 | 66 | 48 | 34 | 11 | 185 |
|  | 52.0\% | 64.7\% | 65.8\% | 66.7\% | 47.8\% | 61.9\% |
| Select which method(s) seemed to be most effective in getting children to sites | 18 | 41 | 35 | 16 | 10 | 120 |
|  | 69.2\% | 62.1\% | 72.9\% | 47.1\% | 90.9\% | 64.9\% |
| Telephone Recruitment of Parents | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Select method(s) you utilized | 10 | 16 | 13 | 10 | 8 | 57 |
|  | 20.0\% | 15.7\% | 17.8\% | 19.6\% | 34.8\% | 19.1\% |
| Select which method(s) seemed to be most effective in getting children to sites | 8 | 16 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 38 |
|  | 80.0\% | 100.0\% | 53.9\% | 30.0\% | 50.0\% | 66.7\% |
| Other | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Select method(s) you utilized | 5 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 16 |
|  | 10.0\% | 2.9\% | 6.9\% | 3.9\% | 4.4\% | 5.4\% |
| Select which method(s) seemed to be most effective in getting children to sites | 4 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 12 |
|  | 80.0\% | 166.7\% | 20.0\% | 50.0\% | 100.0\% | 75.0\% |
| Count | 50 | 102 | 73 | 51 | 23 | 299 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Table A.K. Who assisted you with your outreach and promotional materials in preparation for summer 2020? (Select all that apply.)

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 1 | 2 |  | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| For-profit organization | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
|  | $0.0 \%$ | $1.0 \%$ | $2.8 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $1.0 \%$ |
| Child advocacy organization | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
|  | $2.1 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $4.2 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ |
| Healthcare provider | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
|  | $2.1 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.3 \%$ |
| Anti-hunger organization | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 11 |
|  | $6.4 \%$ | $3.0 \%$ | $4.2 \%$ | $4.1 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $3.8 \%$ |
| Other government agency | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
|  | $4.3 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $1.0 \%$ |
| Other non-profit | 3 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 11 |
|  | $6.4 \%$ | $5.0 \%$ | $2.8 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $4.6 \%$ | $3.8 \%$ |
| Faith-based organization | 2 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 12 |
|  | $4.3 \%$ | $4.0 \%$ | $7.0 \%$ | $2.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $4.1 \%$ |
| Texas Department of Agri- <br> culture (TDA-state agency) | 36 | 74 | 46 | 29 | 16 | 201 |
|  | $76.6 \%$ | $73.3 \%$ | $64.8 \%$ | $59.2 \%$ | $72.7 \%$ | $69.3 \%$ |
| Schools | 20 | 38 | 37 | 24 | 11 | 130 |
|  | $42.6 \%$ | $37.6 \%$ | $52.1 \%$ | $49.0 \%$ | $50.0 \%$ | $44.8 \%$ |
| Other | 2 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 14 |
|  | $4.3 \%$ | $4.0 \%$ | $4.2 \%$ | $6.1 \%$ | $9.1 \%$ | $4.8 \%$ |
| Count | 70 | 129 | 102 | 59 | 39 | 387 |

Table A.L. Compared to 2019, how did the frequency of the following items change in 2020 ?


Table A.M. Overall how would you rate your satisfaction using the summer meals program during summer 2020?

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Total |  |  |  |  |  |
| Very satisfied | 19 | 28 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 12 |
|  | $38.0 \%$ | $27.7 \%$ | $41.1 \%$ | $27.5 \%$ | $50.0 \%$ | $34.5 \%$ |
| Satisfied | 21 | 54 | 37 | 29 | 8 | 149 |
|  | $42.0 \%$ | $53.5 \%$ | $50.7 \%$ | $56.9 \%$ | $33.3 \%$ | $49.8 \%$ |
| Neither satisfied nor unsat- <br> isfied | 8 | 15 | 5 | 6 | 3 | 37 |
|  | $16.0 \%$ | $14.9 \%$ | $6.9 \%$ | $11.8 \%$ | $12.5 \%$ | $12.4 \%$ |
| Unsatisfied | 2 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 10 |
|  | $4.0 \%$ | $4.0 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ | $3.9 \%$ | $4.2 \%$ | $3.3 \%$ |
| Count | 50 | 101 | 73 | 51 | 24 | 299 |
| Total | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |

Table A.N. 1 Are you currently connected with a Texas Hunger Initiative regional staff person?

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Yes | 8 | 18 | 24 | 15 | 3 | 68 |
|  | 16.0\% | 17.8\% | 32.9\% | 29.4\% | 12.5\% | 22.7\% |
| No | 32 | 64 | 40 | 26 | 16 | 178 |
|  | 64.0\% | 63.4\% | 54.8\% | 51.0\% | 66.7\% | 59.5\% |
| We are not currently, but have communicated with THI staff in the past | 10 | 19 | 9 | 10 | 5 | 53 |
|  | 20.0\% | 18.8\% | 12.3\% | 19.6\% | 20.8\% | 17.7\% |
| Count | 50 | 101 | 73 | 51 | 24 | 299 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Table A.N. 2 Did you receive support of any kind from THI Regional staff regarding your summer meal efforts in 2020?

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |
| Yes | 6 | 12 | 17 | 4 | 3 | 42 |
|  | 16.2\% | 15.2\% | 2830.0\% | 10.5\% | 20.0\% | 18.3\% |
| No | 31 | 67 | 43 | 34 | 12 | 187 |
|  | 83.8\% | 84.8\% | 71.7\% | 89.5\% | 80.0\% | 81.7\% |
| Count | 37 | 79 | 60 | 38 | 15 | 229 |
| Total | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |

Table A.O. How helpful were THI staff regarding Summer Meals efforts in $2020 ?$

| TDA Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 1 | 2 |  | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Extremely helpful | 5 | 7 | 10 | 3 | 3 | 28 |
|  | $83.3 \%$ | $58.3 \%$ | $58.8 \%$ | $75.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $66.7 \%$ |
| Moderately helpful | 1 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
|  | $16.7 \%$ | $25.0 \%$ | $17.7 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $16.7 \%$ |
| Neutral | 0 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 6 |
|  | $0.0 \%$ | $16.7 \%$ | $17.7 \%$ | $25.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $14.3 \%$ |
| Extremely unhelpful | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
|  | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $5.9 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $2.4 \%$ |
| Count | 6 | 12 | 17 | 4 | 3 | 42 |
| Total | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |


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