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General Comment

Feeding Louisiana, the state association of Louisiana's five regional food banks serving all 64 parishes, appreciates the opportunity to submit comments on the renewal of OMB Burden Number 0584-0293.

Feeding Louisiana supports the renewal of this information collection. The Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) and The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) are essential to Louisiana's hunger relief system. These programs help food banks provide nutritious food to seniors, families, children, veterans, and individuals facing hunger, while also supporting the effective distribution of USDA Foods.

The information collected through these programs is necessary for accountability, inventory management, program integrity, and effective distribution. It helps ensure that USDA Foods are ordered, received, tracked, and delivered to eligible neighbors in a safe and responsible manner.

At the same time, we encourage USDA and FNS to ensure that reporting and recordkeeping requirements remain clear, consistent, and practical for state agencies, food banks, and local partners. Food banks operate with limited staff capacity and are often managing multiple federal, state, and private reporting systems. Any opportunity to reduce duplication, improve technology, simplify forms, and align reporting expectations would strengthen program operations without weakening accountability.

Feeding Louisiana respectfully urges FNS to renew this information collection and continue supporting CSFP and TEFAP as proven, essential tools in the fight against hunger.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.