HOW TO APPLY

Contact your local NEK-CAP office for additional information. Each grant administered by NEK-CAP, Inc. has different standards for determining eligibility, including level of income and geographic location (services may vary according to county). Contact your local NEK-CAP office or visit us at www.nekcap.org.

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NEK-CAP, Inc.'s VISON

One by one all families and communities become self-reliant.















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FILLING THE GAP Summer Youth Food Program

NEK-CAP, Inc., and Kansas Food Bank collaborate to offer Filling the Gap, a youth summer food program, for eligible youth (to age 18) during the summer when school is out. With the help of local health departments and hunger advocates, we are able to Fill the Gap and provide missing summer meals to children at risk of going hungry. Approximately 100 youth are served through this program offered in the six Northcentral counties of Jewel, Mitchell, Osbourne, Republic, Smith and Washington.



One mother said, "This makes a big difference to my children and our family!"

Filling the Gap Summer Youth Food Program provides free shelf-stable, pre-packaged meals to eligible youth each week that are participating in the program. This program was created to ensure that low-income youth continue to receive balanced and nutritious meals while school is not in session. Summer is a time when children who rely on free and reduced meals at school struggle the most. Meals that they depend upon daily are not available to them. Currently one in five children in our state faces hunger on a daily basis.

Summer time is a time when children and families are most at-risk of hunger. Currently, Kansas ranks 48th in the nation in number of children fed when school is not in session. In Jewell County, 23.6% of children are food insecure (140 children); Mitchell County, 21.8% of children are food insecure (300 children); Osborne County, 26.4% of children are food insecure (210 children); Republic County, 23.5% of children are food insecure (230 children); Smith County, 26.6% are food insecure (200 children) and Washington County, 20.7% of children are food insecure (270 children). (February 2017)



Based on community assessment, Filling the Gap will provide daily and/or weekend meals to low-income, food insecure children throughout the summer months. Meals include lunch and breakfast along with shelf stable milk to ensure complete nutritious meals are served meeting children's dietary needs.



Studies have found that food insecurity may hinder children's ability to function normally, participant fully in school and other activities; may be at higher risk of behavioral issues and social difficulties. So, with increased nutrition children should have decreased hospitalization, decreases in asthma and anemia, and increased social functioning.

Applications for Filling the Gap Program will be accepted in late April. Dates and locations of distribution will be announced prior to the end of the school year.





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