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| **USDA Publishes Request for Proposal and Recorded Webinar for USDA Farmers to Families Food Box Purchase Program**The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced the publication of a Request for Proposal and the recorded webinar for the USDA Farmers to Families Food Box Purchase Program.Under the new food box purchase program, the USDA Agricultural Marketing Service Commodity Procurement Program will procure an estimated $100 million per month in fresh fruits and vegetables, $100 million per month in a variety of dairy products, and $100 million per month in meat products. Distributors and wholesalers will then provide a pre-approved box of fresh produce, dairy, and meat products to food banks, community and faith-based organizations, and other non-profits serving Americans in need.The Request for Proposal and other applicable attachments are available using the button below. **SUBMISSION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2020.** |

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| To add your company's information to this list please contact Chris Raasch at chris.raasch@agr.georgia.gov or **470-773-1505.** |

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| A webinar hosted by the Commodity Procurement Program on April 21 with technical details about the food box purchases is also available. **CLICK IMAGE TO START WEBINAR.** |

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| **Georgia's Feeding America Food Banks** |

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| Feeding America created a website with information about all 200 Feeding America Food Banks and their capacity to distribute protein, dairy and fresh produce over the next six months. In Georgia, there are 8 Feeding America food banks with more than 2,400 community-based partners/agencies. Please use the links below to learn more about the national and state-wide efforts. |

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| [**FEEDING AMERICA'S NATIONAL WEBSITE**](https://georgia.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=1c15216d903f8ece34875b4b3&id=600331c59c&e=d58039cd06) |

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