

## **Model E-Alert to Houston Shelters**

**Subject:** Federal Funding for Meals in Shelters!

**Text:** Under the Child and Adult Care Food Program, Houston homeless shelters can be reimbursed for meals served to children under age 18 in homeless, runaway, and domestic violence shelters. Serving breakfast, lunch, and dinner to 20 children can mean over \$48,000 in just one year!

By following USDA meal guidelines, the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) also helps shelters provide nutritious meals and snacks to children.

According to a recent USDA memo (insert link), it is now even easier for shelters to apply and receive CACFP funding.

To find out more about this program, and apply for your shelter, please contact Gayle Butler at the Texas Health and Human Services Commission, Special Nutrition Programs at (713) 696-3635 or FRAC (202) 986-2200 extension 3025 or ghenchy@frac.org.