APPLICATION FOR ALASKA COMMODITY SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD PROGRAM (CSFP)

CSFP Partner Agency: _____

(ONE APPLICATION PER PERSON)

APPLICANT: The Applicant's eligibility for CSFP is based upon the following statements. A separate application is required for each Applicant.

Are you 60 years old or older?	☐ **YES**	☐ **NO**
Do you meet the Income Eligibility Guidelines for CSFP?	☐ **YES**	☐ **NO**

Please print and complete all information.

Name of Applicant: _____ Birth Date: _____/_____/_____
(Last) (First) (Middle) MM DD YYYY

Mailing
Address: _____, AK Zip_____
Street or PO Box Apt # City

Physical
Address (if different): _____, AK Zip_____
Street Apt # City

Home Phone _____ Message Phone: _____

Are you Hispanic or Latino? (*Please choose only one*): ☐ YES ☐ NO
What is your race? *(Please choose one or more)* ☐ Alaska Native/American Indian; ☐ Asian;
☐ Black/African American; ☐ Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander; ☐ White.

Racial and/or ethnic data collected on this form has NO EFFECT ON THE ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION OF THE HOUSEHOLD.

Primary language: _____ How many people in your household? _____

Total household income before deductions: $_____ per ☐ month, ☐ year.

Did anyone in your household receive the latest AK Permanent Fund Dividend? ☐ yes ☐ no If yes, how many? ___ If yes, did you include this amount in your total household income listed above? ☐ yes ☐ no

(Your PFD or other garnished income is considered income even though it is garnished and must be added to your total household income.)

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Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
2.fax: (202) 690-7442; or
3.email: program.intake@usda.gov.
This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

CSFP Agency Use Only: ☐ Eligible ☐ Ineligible- Reason _____ Date of Certification: _____

Date App Received _____ Date Notified of Status_____

Signature of certifying official: _____ Date: _____

Printed name of certifying official: _____ Phone: _____

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Before signing, know your rights and responsibilities under the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP). By checking the "yes" box next to the statements listed below, I am saying that I understand: (Reading help is available.)

- ***This application is being completed in connection with the receipt of Federal assistance. Program officials may verify information on this form. I am aware that deliberate misrepresentation may subject me to prosecution under applicable State and Federal statutes. I am also aware that I may not receive CSFP benefits at more than one CSFP site at the same time. Furthermore, I am aware that the information provided may be shared with other organizations to detect and prevent dual participation. I have been advised of my rights and obligations under the program. I certify that the information I have provided for my eligibility determination is correct to the best of my knowledge.***
  I authorize the release of information provided on this application form to other organizations administering assistance programs for use in determining my eligibility for participation in other public assistance programs and for program outreach purposes.
  ☐ **yes** ☐ **no**

- The local agency will provide notification of a decision to deny or terminate CSFP benefits within 10 days of application. If you disagree with the denial or termination of assistance, **you can request a Fair Hearing within sixty (60) days of the decision,** by contacting State of Alaska Family Nutrition Programs at 130 Seward Street, Room 508, Juneau, Alaska 99801; or call 907 465-3100. A request for a Fair Hearing shall be personally presented, either orally or in writing. A request for an informal review must include: 1) name, address and contact phone number, 2) the reason for the grievance, 3) the action or relief sought; and 4) signature of applicant or representative. A Hearing Officer will arrange a date, time and place convenient to both you and Family Nutrition Programs. In preparing for the hearing you have the right to examine any documents, including records and regulations that are directly relevant to the hearing. You have the right to be represented by counsel or any other person chosen as your representative. You have the right to a private hearing unless you request a public hearing. You have the right to present evidence and arguments in support of your grievance and to controvert evidence. You also have the right to cross-examine all witnesses. The Hearing Officer must render a decision within (14) days of the hearing. The decision of the Hearing Officer will be final.
  ☐ **yes** ☐ **no**

- The local agency will make nutrition education available to all adult participants,

- The local agency will provide information on other nutrition, health, or assistance programs, and make referrals as appropriate.

- Improper use or receipt of CSFP benefits as a result of dual participation or other program violations may lead to a claim against the individual to recover the value of the benefits, and may lead to disqualification from CSFP.

- I must report changes in household income or composition within 10 days after the change becomes known to the household.

- I agree to inform the CSFP partner agency within 10 days of any changes in my contact information (i.e., my home address or phone number), my income, or my household composition.

- If I do not pick up my commodity foods for two months in a row, I may be considered an "inactive" CSFP participant and removed from the program. If I choose to remain a participant in CSFP, I must notify the CSFP partner agency and participate within the current certification period of my original application date.

- CSFP recipients who are removed from the program for being "inactive participants" are allowed to re-apply for benefits by filling out another CSFP application. If a waiting list exists, however, I understand my application will go on the list according to the date it was received.

- I must fill out a new CSFP application once a year. Every 6 months, I will need to verify my address, income and my interest in continuing with the program.

- I will treat all CSFP staff with courtesy and respect. Failure to do so may result in termination of assistance

APPLICANT or Guardian/POA Agent _____ Date _____
Signature

Printed Name of Applicant or Guardian/POA Agent: _____

My approved alternate(s) (full name):_____
If you would like to give permission for someone to pick up food on your behalf, please name them here.

CSFP Agency Use Only: If an application is signed by someone other than the applicant, CSFP regulations require CSFP agencies to see Power of Attorney paperwork.
Power of Attorney paperwork reviewed by the Certifying Official? ☐ yes ☐ no Certifying official initials _____