

**EMERGENCY FOOD AND SHELTER PROGRAM  
MERCED COUNTY**

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**SELF-DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY CHECKLIST**

Answer the following questions to determine if you are qualified to receive Emergency Food and Shelter Program funds.

We are either a governmental agency or a non-profit agency.

Yes No

**If no, you are not eligible for funding. If IRS status is pending, you may be able to operate under another agency's 501 (c) (3) status, using them as your fiscal agent.**

We have an accounting system or an approved fiscal agent.

Yes No

**If no, you are not eligible for funding.**

We pay all expenses by checks payable to vendors. (no reimbursements allowed)

Yes No

**If no, you are not eligible for funding.**

Our cost for mass feeding will be greater than \$2.00 per meal.

Yes No N.A.

**If yes, you are not eligible for funding.**

Our cost for mass shelter will be greater than \$12.50 per night per client.

Yes No N.A.

**If yes, you are not eligible for funding.**

We charge our clients a fee for services provided.

Yes No

**If yes, you are not eligible for funding.**

We provide our clients an opportunity to make a donation.

Yes No

**If yes, you are not eligible for funding. Even actions implying a donation is expected are prohibited**

We require clients to have a religious affiliation or attend services as a condition of assistance.

Yes No

**If yes, you are not eligible for funding. Proselytizing or activities that may be construed as proselytizing are not permitted..**