

Hillsboro Community Basket Agreement and Information - 2011

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1. In order to qualify, you must meet income guidelines of less than or equal to 200% of the poverty level (See application for details).
2. The subscription fee (fifteen dollars [\$15.00] annually) is NON-REFUNDABLE and is due on or before you receive your first bonus package. The annual program entitles you to participation for 12 months, beginning the month you pay. Subscriptions may be renewed every year.
3. Surplus items in the bonus package will vary from month to month. The amounts, quantity and variety of surplus items change according to what is available from OFB-WCS. You are not paying for these items, they are donated.
4. The program depends on members to keep it running smoothly. Volunteers are needed to update the membership, manage the distribution and coordinate deliveries to homebound members. Members are encouraged to volunteer and develop support systems for each other.
5. Hillsboro Community Basket Member Volunteers are entitled to the same benefits and responsibilities as all other members. **As this program depends on member participation, all members are welcomed to contribute their skills and abilities.** When volunteers contribute time and energy to make the program work, they are not eligible for additional surplus grocery items or any other compensation. A member volunteer commitment does not authorize volunteers to take additional items from the distribution site or to receive or provide preferential treatment to any other member or volunteer.
6. Hillsboro Community Basket linkage services will generally be provided in the form of a monthly newsletter that is distributed with the bonus package. The packages must be picked up during the scheduled time of operation, and on the day of distribution for your membership site. (Bonus packages cannot be held.) If you cannot pick up your bag during the scheduled time, you may have someone pick it up for you, with your written authorization. **IF YOU MISS A MONTH, YOU WILL NOT GET REIMBURSED FOR IT.** However, the newsletter will be mailed to you if you do not pick up your bonus bag.
7. Please bring extra, clean, empty large grocery bags to each distribution for next week's distribution.
8. Items received from the Hillsboro Community Basket program cannot be sold, traded, or bartered. Such activity will exclude you from the program and subject you to penalty of the law.

I agree to abide by the terms stated above and I certify that my income is at or below the income guidelines.

Date: _____ Signed: _____

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MEMBER COPY

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First Bag (Month/Yr): ____ / _____ Last Bag (Month/Yr): ____ / _____

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