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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### **WAYNE COUNTY ANNOUNCES ANNUAL FREE SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN**

**Wayne, Mich.** – The 32<sup>nd</sup> annual Wayne County **Summer Food Service Program**, for children and teenagers through age 18, kicks off June 20<sup>th</sup> and lasts thru August 19<sup>st</sup>. The program provides free, nutritious lunches at several sites including parks, apartment complexes and churches in the communities of Bellville, Dearborn, Inkster, Romulus, River Rouge, Riverview, Taylor and Wayne.

The Summer Food Service Program is available in school districts where 50% of the children receive free or reduced-price meals during the regular school year. The cold lunches are served weekdays over a two-hour block during lunch and include a sandwich, fruit, juice and cookie. Exact times vary by site.

“This program allows Wayne County families to stretch their food dollars during these economically-challenging times and enables their children to benefit nutritionally by receiving complete, wholesome meals during the summer,” said Warren C. Evans, Wayne County Executive.

In addition, the program provides free meals for residents through age 26 who are determined to be mentally or physically handicapped by a state or local educational agency, or who participate in public or private non-profit school programs for the handicapped.

Dr. Mouhanad Hammami, Director of the Department of Health, Veterans and Community Wellness, said, “We are extremely pleased to once again support this important program for Wayne County’s young people and residents by providing nutritious meals and encouraging healthy eating habits.”

Wayne County expects to serve **31,000 meals** over the duration of the Summer Food Service program.

The Summer Food Service Program ensures that no child eligible for this program will be turned away and is operated in accordance to Federal laws and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy. The program is funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and administered by the Wayne County Division of Wellness Services.



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## Site and times for the Summer Food Service Program

Ford Woods Park	Greenfield & Donald Street, Dearborn, MI	12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Lapeer Park	Salina & Lapeer Rds, Dearborn, MI	11:15 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.
Morningside Park	Wyoming & Morningside, Dearborn, MI	11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Dozier Park	Middlebelt, Inkster, MI	11:10 a.m. - 1:10 p.m.
Hamlin Place Estates	2680 Hamlin Dr., Inkster, MI	11:15 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Inkster DHS Office	26355 Michigan Ave., Inkster, MI	11:30 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.
Lemoyne Park	Inkster & Lemoyne Rds., Inkster, MI	11:15 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Operation Refuge	27741 Carlyle, Inkster, MI	11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
**Joyland Learning Center	6420 Textile Road, Ypsilanti, MI	11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Beachwood Center	421 Beachwood, River Rouge, MI	12:15 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.
Memorial Park	11051 W. Jefferson, River Rouge, MI	11:45 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
St. Johns AME Church	505 Beachwood, River Rouge, MI	12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Riverview Methodist Church	13199 Covin, Riverview, MI	11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Birch Run Co-Op	35477 Garner, Romulus, MI	11:30 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.
West Village Estates	7040 Shawnee, Romulus, MI	10:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.
Ponds of Taylor	15111 Pond Village, Taylor, MI	12:10 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Salvation Army	2300 Venoy, Wayne, MI	10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Victory Church International	32747 Grand Traverse, Westland, MI	11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

\*\*Part of the Van Buren School District in Wayne County\*\*

For more information about the program, residents can call (734) 727-7107.

For additional information on any of the Wayne County Health, Veterans and Community Wellness Department programs, visit [www.waynecounty.com](http://www.waynecounty.com).