

Customized Management of Federal and Local Aid Programs

USAMeals is a web-based application used to assist states in managing multiple federally assisted programs such as the National School Lunch Program, The Emergency Food and Assistance Program, and the Commodity Supplemental Food Program. With this application, states are able to customize the commodity ordering process, track commodities and inventories, evenly distribute received commodities and reconcile data between all parties. USAMeals also allows self-administration for external entities such as schools and processors. User workflow ensures that documents are reviewed and approved before being accepted into the system.

Impact

Account Management - Including agencies such as schools, distributors, processors, farmers, etc. The system allows for multiple address tracking, agreement information, reviews, etc.

Commodities - Maintains all commodities that may be offered to schools and other institutions throughout the State. The system also tracks commodity prices, shipping details, allocation of commodities, current inventory on hand, etc.

Commodity Ordering - Schools and external agencies can request commodities as part of their annual entitlement Recipient agencies no longer need to access the USDA's Web Based Supply Chain Management (WBSCM) system.

Warehouse Receiving and Inventory Tracking - Receive commodities into the warehouse and track agency inventory through delivery.

Delivery Scheduling - Allows the warehouse to schedule deliveries based on on-hand inventory. As deliveries are confirmed, agency inventory is tracked and USAMeals generates all billing documentation.

Electronic Payment and Financial Tracking - As fees are associated with a particular account, USAMeals provides full tracking of balances owed as well as online credit payments.

Workflow – Allows documents and data to be reviewed and approved prior to acceptance into USAMeals. Items may be returned to the submitter for clarification/ updates or routed to other users for additional review.

Reporting Suite – USAMeals features extensive reporting capabilities ranging from account and contact lists to inventory reports. All reports are also compatible with Microsoft Excel allowing further examination and manipulation.

Online web application used to manage multiple federal and local aid programs including:

- Vational School Lunch Program (NSLP)
- The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP)
- Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)
- Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (FMNP)

Technology

- Microsoft .NET base solution
- Microsoft SQL Server and SQL Server Express
- Microsoft SQL Reporting Services
- Microsoft Internet Explorer 10 and greater
- Google Chrome

Online compliance reviews

- Agency Compliance Reviews
- Civil Rights Review
- Delivery Receipt Review
- NetOff Invoice review
- Corrective Action Compliance

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