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TDA F&N Training Materials will be transitioning to a new branding. F&N training materials and related resources will gradually transition from the current F&N University to F&N Learning Institute. You may temporarily see both brandings used across training documents, presentations, job aids, and other educational materials. This visual update does not affect the content, guidance, or processes referenced in these materials. Resources will be updated as they are revised or reissued.

NEW Appeals Resources - Archived Handbooks

TDA has created a new page on SquareMeals that contains archived complete Program handbooks dating back to Program Year 2023. These resources will allow Program operators in the appeal process to access the handbooks that were current for the review period in question. Note that archived handbooks are meant for informational use only - they must not be used to guide current program operation. Current handbooks are available on the applicable Program Policy/Handbook page.

The Appeals Resources page can be accessed from the left-side menu of each Program page or directly **on this page**.

RELEASE: Updated 2026 Summer Non-Congregate Feeding FAQs

The 2026 Summer Rural Non-Congregate FAQs have been updated to include a Reporting section that contains information on reporting requirements for sponsors of non-congregate and hybrid sites.

This summer, every rural non-congregate and hybrid sponsor must submit monthly meal service reporting in addition to its TX-UNPS claims. An email request is generated for each site and claim month and sent to the program contact listed in TX-UNPS once the corresponding TX-UNPS claim has been submitted. Sponsors are advised to carefully review all data submitted to the Smartsheet form to ensure accurate and complete reporting.

Visit the Summer **Non-Congregate Feeding Program page** on SquareMeals.org for the FAQs and additional resources on completing this reporting requirement. For a recorded explanation of completing this requirement, sponsors can visit the **NSLP Resources page** to access the July 29, 2026, TDA School Call webinar.

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