## **Closing the Gap on Food & Nutrition Security**

Program models and partnerships that support families in need and local agriculture



# What?

#### TANF Fruit and Vegetable Coupon Program

#### **TANF Stand For:**

Temporary Assistance For Needy Families. A federal block grant with purpose of supporting families so they children may be cared for in their own home.

### Who Is Eligible For The Fruit & Vegetable Program?

Anyone who meets **all three** of the following criteria:



has annual income at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level



has a minor child in the household and/or is pregnant

3 is a U.S. citizen OR meet of of the citizenship exceptions under Ohio Administrative Code 5101:1-2-30

# Why?

Many families earn just enough income to be ineligible for SNAP benefits, but still struggle to afford healthy foods.

# How?

- Fruit and Vegetable Coupon Program
- Produce Box Delivery Program

### Fruit & Vegetable Coupon Program



Eligible families may receive a Fruit and Vegetable Coupon Booklet worth \$40, redeemable at participating locations for fruits and vegetables.

## **How Do Families Receive Coupons?**

Individuals must complete an enrollment form prior to receiving Fruit & Vegetable Coupons. This form may be completed through one of the following:



At Farmers Market Events



**Through Partner Organizations** 



**Online Registration** 

#### Farmers' Market Events

- 23 coupon distribution events in 2020
- 2021 events scheduled for May and June



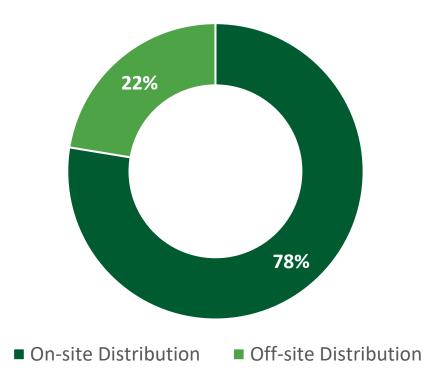
#### **Coupon Distribution Partners**

- Akron Children's
- Alta Care Group
- CareSource
- Cincinnati Youth Collaborative
- Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority
- Community Food Initiatives
- Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program (Ohio State University)

- Food Depot To Health
- Hopewell Health Center
- Moms2B (Ohio State University Medical Center)
- Moms Hope Inc
- Neighborhood Family Practice
- United Way of Summit County
- University Hospitals

# On-Site coupon distribution resulted in highest redemption rates

Precentage of Coupon Redemptions By Distribution Type

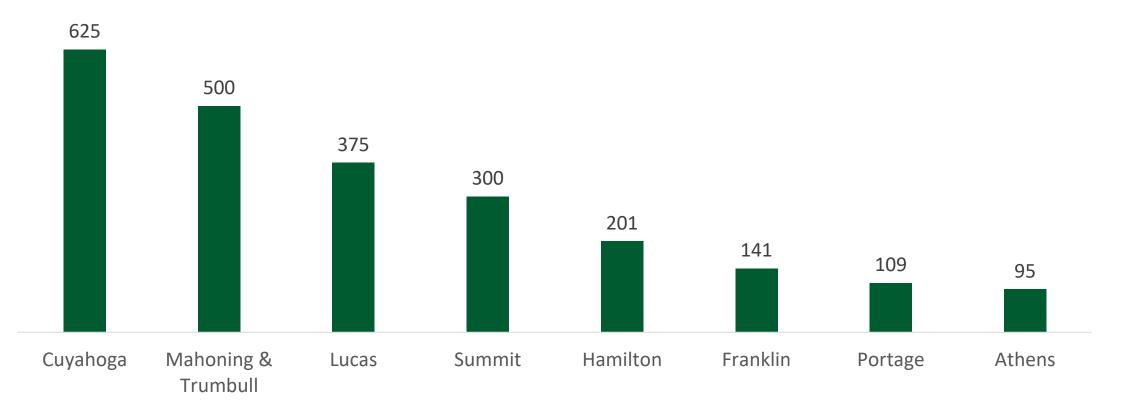


#### 2020 Fruit & Vegetable Coupon Program Highlights



#### 2,445 Customers Signed Up to Receive Coupon Booklets

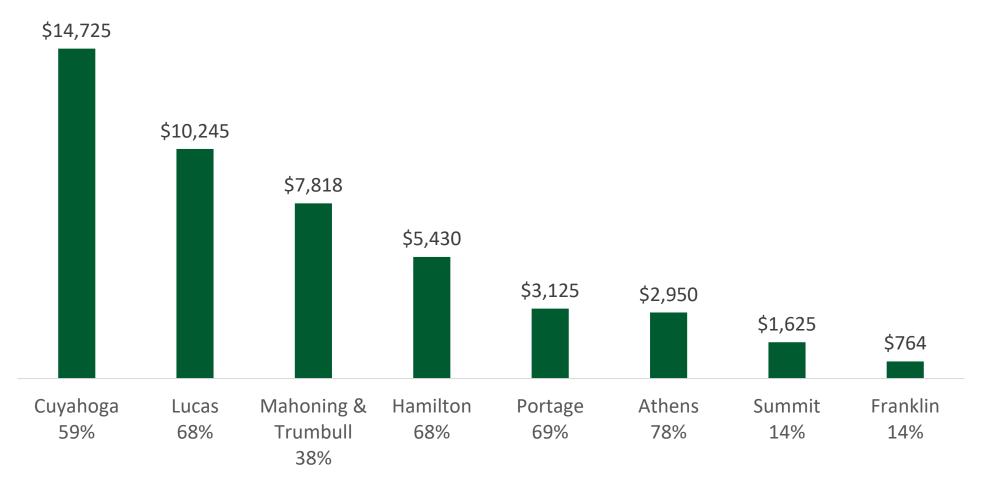
**Customers Signed Up By County** 



**1,467** individuals redeemed **\$46,682** in fruit and & vegetable coupons

60% of individuals redeemed 53% redemption rate

#### TANF Coupon Redemption By County With Redemption Rate



#### Who Signed Up?

Individuals	Unique Zip Codes	SNAP Beneficiary	Non-SNAP Beneficiary
2,445	335	51%*	21%*

#### Who Redeemed?

Individuals	Unique Zip Codes	SNAP Beneficiary	Non-SNAP Beneficiary
1,342	258	46%*	26%*

#### Zip Codes of 2020 Redeeming Customers

