

PLANTPURE COMMUNITIES

INFO SHEET: OASIS JUMPSTART PROGRAM - MEAL OPTIONS FOR PILOTS

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The local organization carrying out the Oasis Pilot may choose any source of whole food, plant based (WFPB) meals to offer participants and will be responsible for purchasing the food. If the local group chooses to use the WFPB frozen meals or the Kitchen Starter meals offered through PlantPure, Inc., PlantPure Communities (PPC) should be able to secure reduced pricing for the Pilot. The cost of the food to the Program participants will depend on i) the need of participants; and ii) funding sources secured to reduce the overall cost of the Pilot.

Freshly Made Meals

Some Pilot communities have chosen to purchase and cook the food locally, deepening the participant learning experience with cooking/kitchen responsibilities. If this option is chosen, the organization will need to have access to a facility, such as a commercial kitchen, that allows for large amounts of food storage and preparation. This is much more labor intensive, in that it requires the selection of recipes, multiple shopping trips, food preparation, cooking, distribution, and coordination.

Procedure for ordering food from PlantPure, Inc. & Delivery Requirements when ordering frozen meals Beyond negotiating a reduced price for the Oasis food (for the Kitchen Starters and/or a full pallet of the frozen line), PPC is generally not involved with the food. The local group will deal directly with PlantPure, Inc. (PPI) to handle all details related to ordering and shipping the food.

If the local group chooses to purchase the frozen meals from PPI, the reduced pricing is only available when ordering a full pallet (600 meals, for 30 Oasis participants), and there are special requirements connected to the delivery. While PPI may change their process, the following are the general procedures: When ready to place the order, the local group will coordinate with PPI to arrange an estimated delivery time. Once the shipment is created, PPI should confirm to the local group the estimated time of arrival. In order to avoid incurring additional shipping fees when ordering the pallet of frozen meals, the destination needs to have a loading dock for delivery and sufficient space to accommodate a 40 foot semi-truck at the time of delivery. If there is not a loading dock, having a forklift available at time of delivery would suffice.

The destination will need to have $4' \times 4' \times 4'$ of freezer space available to temporarily store the 600 frozen meals in a large freezer until they are distributed to participants. In addition, the 30 participants must be able to store 20 frozen meals in their personal freezers.

The Memorandum of Understanding that gets executed early in the Pilot stage between PlantPure Communities and the local Group will lay out the details.

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