

**Emergency Food
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Shelter Program
(EFSP)**

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The Emergency Food and Shelter Program was established on March 24, 1983, with the signing of the "Jobs Stimulus Bill," Public Law 98-8. That legislation created a National Board, chaired by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) that consisted of representatives of the American Red Cross, Catholic Charities USA, The Jewish Federations of North America, National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA, The Salvation Army and United Way Worldwide.

The EFSP was authorized under the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act (P.L. 100-77 signed into law on July 24, 1987, since renamed the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act and subsequently reauthorized under P.L. 100-628, signed into law on November 7, 1988). Since 1983, in its 29-year history, the EFSP will have distributed \$3.8 billion to over 14,000 human service agencies in more than 2,500 communities across the country through this collaborative effort between the private and public sectors.

The original authorizing legislation (PL 100-77) specifically calls for "sensitivity to the transition from temporary shelter to permanent homes and attention to the specialized needs of homeless individuals with mental and physical disabilities and illness and to facilitate access for homeless individuals to other sources of services and benefits."

Also in accordance with the legislation, the National Board encourages Local Boards, the decision-making local bodies, to place special emphasis on identification of and assistance to the elderly, families with children, Native Americans and veterans. In addition, the authorization as revised (PL 102-550) in 1992 requires that a homeless or formerly homeless person serve on the Local Boards.

History

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The National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA.



FEMA



The Jewish Federations



Catholic Charities USA.

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EFSP History

Phase	Year	# of LRO	Award	Beginning Dates	Ending Dates	Average	Highest	Lowest
31	2013	87	\$ 1,131,539	6/1/2013	6/30/2014	11,836	26,610	2,479
30	2012	91	\$ 1,238,469	1/1/2012	5/31/2013	12,385	36,913	1,904
29	2011	79	\$ 1,278,587	11/1/2010	12/31/2011	14,917	36,388	2,586
28	2010	68	\$ 1,813,580	11/1/2009	10/31/2010	26,670	50,000	3,456
27	2009	55	\$ 1,817,005	11/1/2008	10/31/2009	30,620	45,406	4,360
AR	2009	54	\$ 877,840	4/1/2009	10/31/2009	16,256	25,686	2,770
26	2008	55	\$ 1,096,512	11/1/2007	10/31/2008	20,788	39,249	3,568
25	2007	44	\$ 873,350	11/1/2006	10/31/2007	18,483	27,795	3,951
24	2006	48	\$ 887,087	11/1/2005	10/31/2006	17,158	30,492	1,481
23	2005	53	\$ 929,337	11/1/2004	10/31/2005	16,263	30,070	1,389
22	2004	47	\$ 934,823	10/1/2003	10/31/2004	18,493	36,328	2,857
21	2003	51	\$ 1,806,038	10/1/2002	9/30/2003	17,411	43,165	741
20	2002	28	\$ 953,655	10/1/2001	9/30/2002	32,141	83,334	2,198
19	2001	29	\$ 958,721	10/1/2000	9/30/2001	36,287	86,285	3,393
18	2000	26	\$ 799,178	10/1/1999	9/30/2000	33,057	71,323	3,124
17	1999	29	\$ 757,755	10/1/1998	9/30/1999	28,732	60,375	4,080
16	1998	31	\$ 741,108	10/1/1997	9/30/1998	22,461	61,066	4,680
15	1997	32	\$ 808,420	10/1/1996	9/30/1997	25,187	56,000	6,000
14	1996	26	\$ 841,280	10/1/1995	9/30/1996	32,244	73,915	4,032
13	1995	33	\$ 1,067,832	10/1/1994	9/30/1995	29,425	100,000	1,500
12	1994	26	\$ 1,060,238	10/1/1993	9/30/1994	37,241	96,900	4,592
11	1993	21	\$ 859,681	10/1/1992	9/30/1993	37,564	79,537	4,150
10	1992	23	\$ 855,987	11/1/1991	9/30/1992	35,181	10,849	1,999
9	1991	22	\$ 925,387	11/1/1990	10/31/1991	30,562	80,000	6,000
8	1990	19	\$ 631,352					
7	1989	16	\$ 497,270					
6	1988	11	\$ 436,025					
5	1987	12	\$ 405,866					
4	1986	0	\$ -					
3	1985	0	\$ -					
2	1984	0	\$ -					
1	1983	2	\$ 27,583					