

# Summer Nutrition Summit

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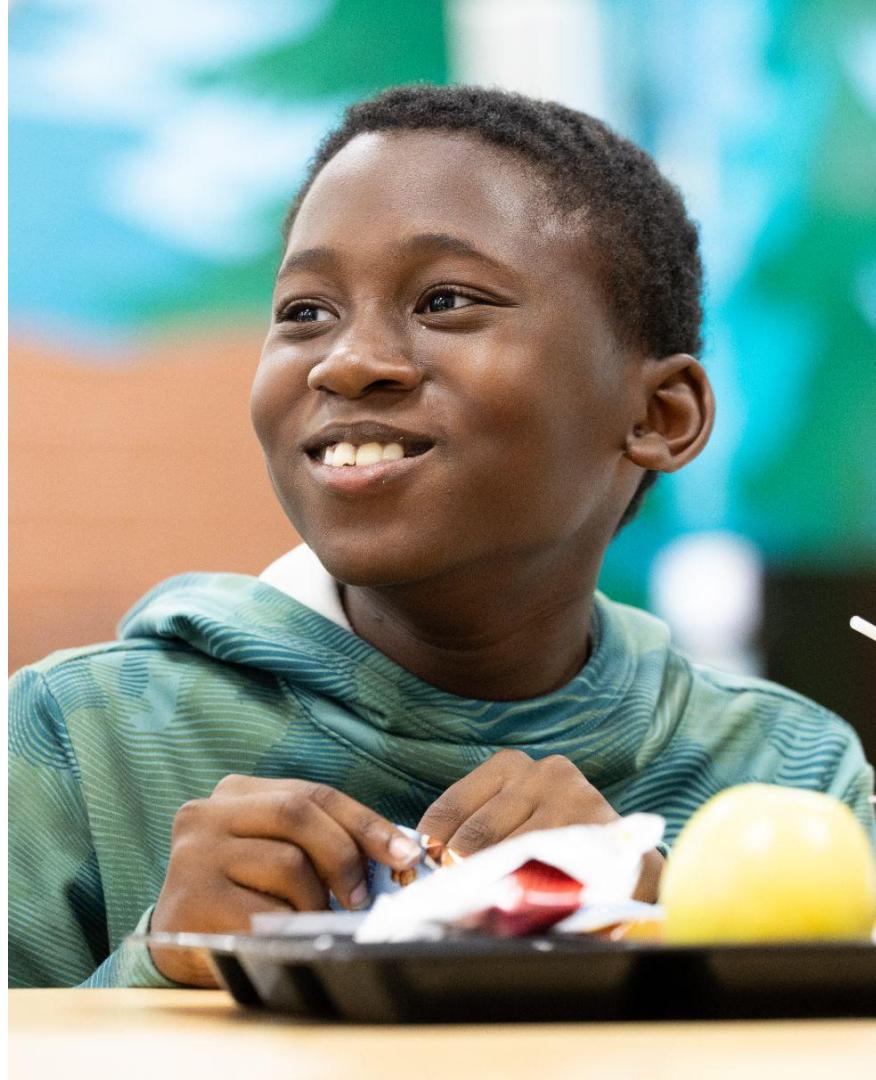


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# 4 Home Delivery Models

How They Could  
Work for Your  
Community

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## Agenda

- Welcome!
- Why is home delivery of interest?
- Overview of 4 home delivery models
- Which model might work for your community?
- Breakouts - Learn more about models that interest you
- Conclusion



## Disclaimer

Our speakers represent their own experience with non-congregate summer meal programs in their states and localities. Certain program models and implementation methods may be restricted in some states. Check with your local state agency before implementing any new meal service models or implementation methods.

## Why is home delivery of interest?



# Rural Non-Congregate Meals: An Opportunity for Human-Centered Innovation

- Interviews with 30 participants at three different sites
- National survey of 832 families
- Human-centered design process with community in Florida
- Co-creation session with caregivers in SW Virginia
- Pilot feedback surveys

# Families Value the Program

**Parents widely agree that summer meals help children get enough to eat, stretch food budgets, and are convenient.**

*Here are some descriptions of the summer meal pickup and delivery program for kids. Please indicate if this describes the program very well, somewhat well, not too well, or not at all well.*



## Appeal of Home Delivery

74%

Of families not participating would be motivated to join if home delivery were an option

# Participant Interviews

Delivery would be helpful. That would be **immensely helpful**. Saving money on gas driving out here. I live on the far side, so it's about a twenty-five minute drive each way.

I am battling cancer and my daughter has Down Syndrome, so having the lunches delivered to us is an **absolute godsend**.



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# Pilot Feedback Survey

**Craig County, Virginia**

1. Home delivery of shelf stable food
2. Home delivery of perishable food
3. Home delivery of a mix of shelf stable and perishable foods
4. Pickup of shelf stable food from a designated spot in your community
5. Pickup of perishable food from a designated spot in your community
6. Pick up of bulk items for meals (groceries packaged in bulk)
7. Meals served on site

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Note: 56 caregivers responding (257 total children registered)



## Pilot Feedback Session

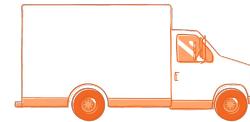
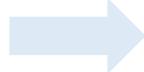
- Felt shelf-stable + delivery would “get the most kids fed”
- Liked portability of shelf-stable foods
- Preference for swapping food items between kids
- Loved that they did not have to be home to receive the package
- Boxes with kids’ names felt like a gift or a surprise



## 4 Home Delivery Models



# In-House Model

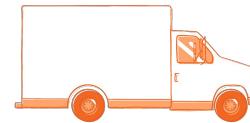
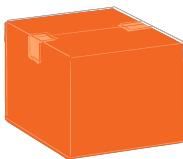


**District handles  
outreach and  
registration**

**All procurement  
and meal prep  
done inhouse with  
district staff**

**Meals packed in  
coolers and  
delivered by  
district staff**

# Direct Ship Model

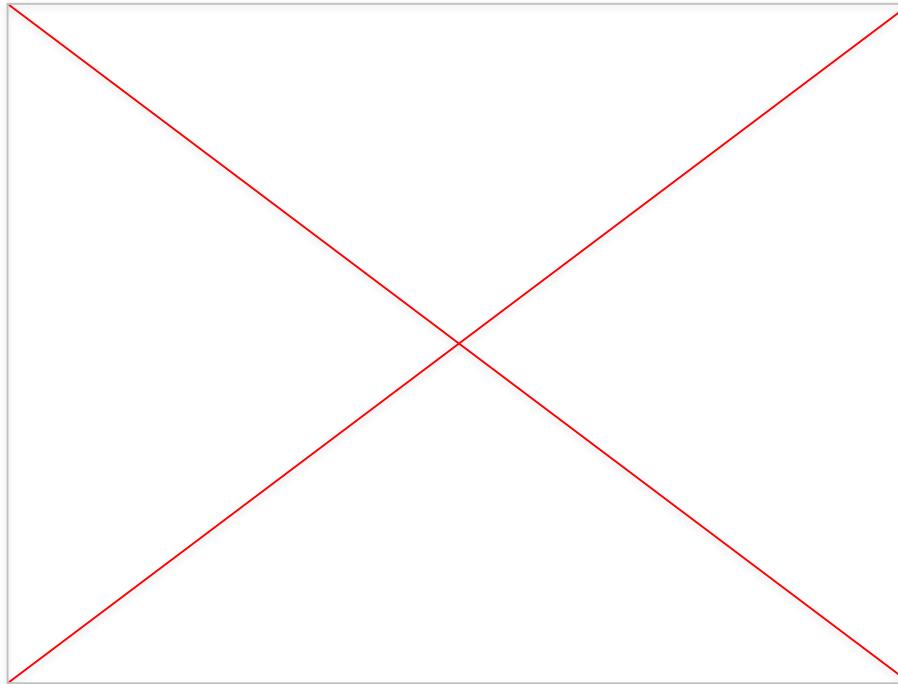


**District handles  
outreach and  
registration**

**Food vendor  
prepares meal  
boxes and  
manages shipping  
for district**

**UPS or other  
shipping  
partner delivers  
boxes to district  
families**

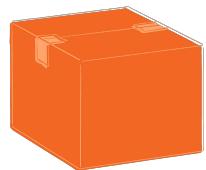
# Rural Delivery Pilots with Amazon



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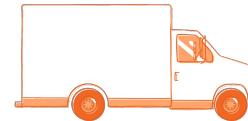
# Small District Model



**Vendor** supplies  
shelf stable meal  
boxes



**District** registers  
kids, procures, and  
labels meal boxes



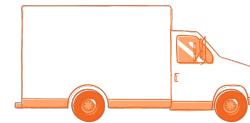
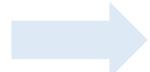
**Amazon** picks  
up and ships to  
houses directly

Arkansas  
**HUNGER**  
—relief—  
**ALLIANCE**

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# Food Bank Model



**Districts** register kids and share info with food bank

**Food bank** procures and labels meal boxes

**Amazon** picks up and ships to houses directly

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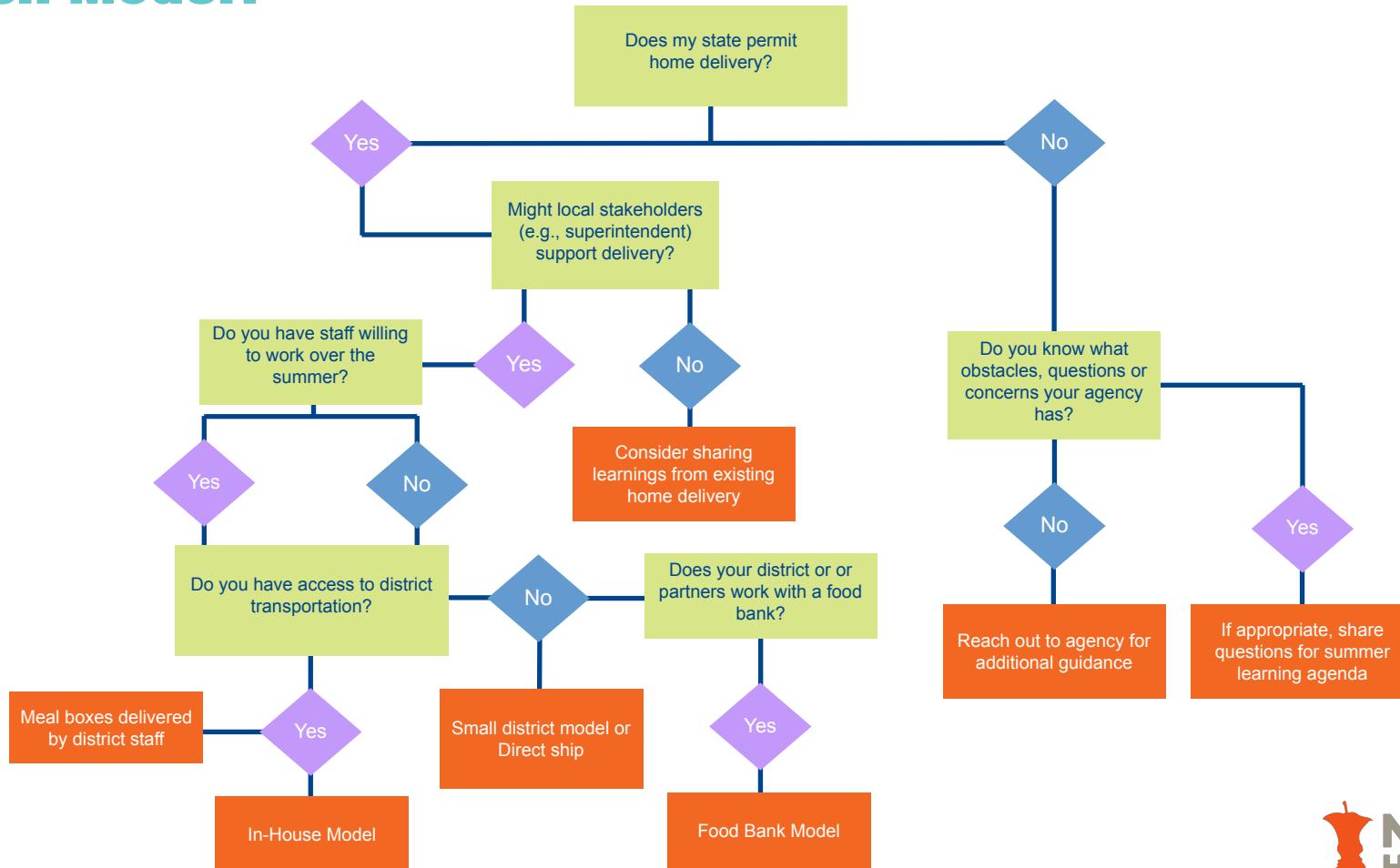


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**Reflection – Which models  
could work for your  
community?**

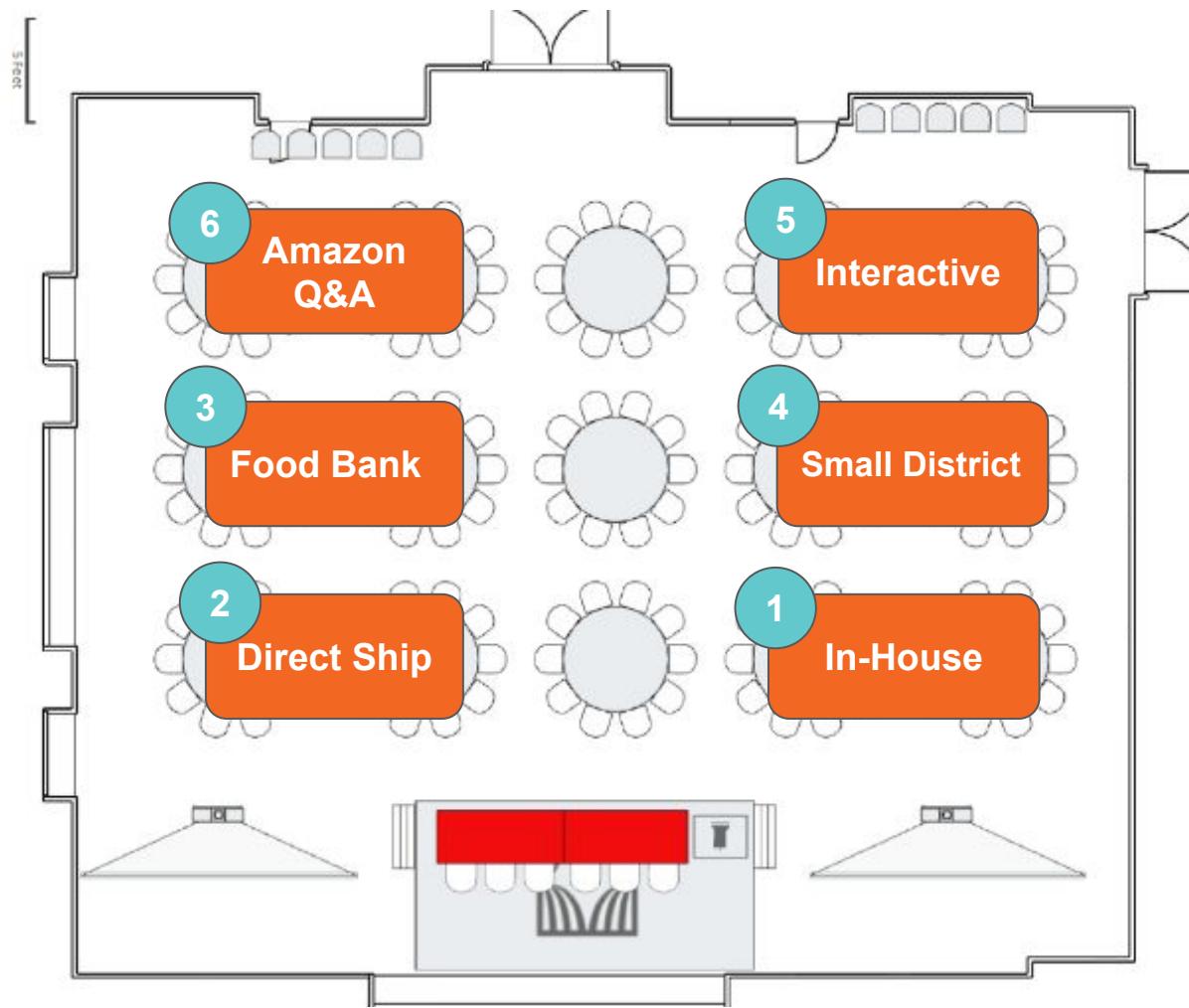


# Which Model?



**Breakouts – Learn more about  
models that interest you**







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