

**FOOD PURCHASE
REPORT****United States
Department of
Agriculture****Agricultural
Marketing
Service**

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OFFER TO BUY: Fruit and Vegetable Products

The Department of Agriculture announced it is planning to purchase 44 fruit and vegetable products for donation to Needy Family and related domestic feeding programs, according to Robert C. Keeney, Deputy Administrator, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service.

The anticipated purchases will be made from offers that must be submitted on a delivered-to-destination price basis. Deliveries will be required from July 1, 2004 through September 30, 2004.

Products, container sizes, and approximate quantities sought are as follows:

PRODUCT	CONTAINER SIZE	U.S. GRADE	NO CASES
Apple Juice, Cnd	12/46 fl. oz.	A	154,224
Grape Juice, Ctn	12/46 fl. oz.	A	17,000
Grape Juice, Cnd	12/46 fl. oz.	A	78,046
Grapefruit Juice, Cnd	12/46 fl. oz.	A	6,664
Pineapple Juice, Cnd	12/46 fl. oz.	A	42,240
Orange Juice, Cnd	12/46 fl. oz.	A	39,032
Tomato Juice, Cnd	12/46 fl. oz.	A	36,176
Cranberry Apple Juice, Cnd	12/46 fl. oz.	Per C.I.D.	106,624
Apple Sauce, Cnd	24/300	A	136,080
Apricots, Halves, Cnd	24/300	B	14,580
Fruit Cocktail, Cnd	24/300	B	31,590
Mixed Fruit, Cnd	24/300	B	17,820
Peaches, Clingstone, Cnd	24/300	B	75,330
Pears, Cnd	24/300	B	42,120
Pineapple, Cnd	24/2	B	18,816
Plums, Cnd	24/300	B	24,300
Dry, Blackeye Beans	12/2 lb.	No.1	10,080
Dry, Lima Beans	12/2 lb.	No.1	8,400
Dry, Grt. Northern Beans	12/2 lb.	No.1	67,200
Dry, Pinto Beans	12/2 lb.	No.1	159,600
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Dry,Lt. Red Kidney Beans	12/2 lb.	No.1	47,040
Green Beans, Cnd	24/300	B	252,720
Carrots, Cnd	24/300	A	29,160
Corn Cream, Cnd	24/300	B	35,640
Whole Kernel Corn, Cnd	24/300	B	235,620
Peas, Cnd	24/300	B	89,100
Sweet Potatoes, Cnd	24/300	A	13,770
Pumpkin, Cnd	24/300	A	17,820
Spinach, Cnd	24/300	A	4,845
Mixed Vegetables, Cnd	24/300	Per C.I.D.	3,240
Vegetable Soup, Cnd	24/1	Per C.I.D.	66,000
Tomato Soup Cnd	24/1	Per C.I.D.	30,800
Tomatoes, Cnd	24/300	B	42,120
Tomatoes, Diced, Cnd	24/300	B	9,720
Tomato Sauce, Cnd	24/300	A	30,600
Potatoes, Sliced, Cnd	24/300	A	88,740
Spaghetti Sauce, Cnd	24/300	Per C.I.D.	137,700
Vegetarian Beans, Cnd	24/300	A	52,020
Blackeye Beans, Cnd	24/300	A	39,780
Light Red Kidney Beans, Cnd	24/300	A	4,590
Refried Beans, Cnd	24/300	No. 2	22,950
Dehydrated Potatoes	12/1 lb.	Per USDA	57,500
Syrup, Corn	12/24 oz.	Per USDA	18,876
Raisins	24/15 oz	B	5,184
Plums, Dried	24/1 lb.	B	3,000

PLEASE NOTE: This announcement does not commit USDA to purchase specific quantities or particular products. The quantities described in this FOOD PURCHASE REPORT are estimates and are intended to provide only general notice of USDA purchasing plans. Those plans are subject to change. Actual purchases will depend upon prices and quantities offered as well as possible adjustments in user requirements.

Invitations to bid, including final details and specifications, will be sent to processors. Offers to sell these products must be received not later than the date specified on the Invitation to Bid

Further information can be obtained from the Commodity Procurement Branch, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Ave. Room 2546 - South Building, Washington, D.C. 20250, telephone (202) 720-4517 or our Internet Site: www.ams.usda.gov/cp.