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Thanks Alisha!

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Hi Mark,

Thanks for your call yesterday and your interest in the FR notice on the CPS-FSS revision. I am attaching our draft questionnaire for the proposed test. You will see that changes are highlighted in yellow. As I said on our call, the changes to the text are mostly to update language. The two biggest changes to individual items are to the items asking about use of food pantries and soup kitchens. The proposed revised questions are currently in use by Feeding America. We also propose moving the food security items up earlier in the survey (now section III in the survey). This may potentially help improve response rates by reducing break offs before respondents answer these key questions. The proposed revisions have already undergone cognitive testing by the Census Bureau.

Again, thank you for your interest. Please let me know if you have further comments or questions after you review the revised questionnaire.

Thank you,
Alisha

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Hi Alisha,
Thanks for clarifying the purpose of the [Current Population Survey Food Security Supplement---Revision](#).

If you are able, please send the revised questionnaire.
Thanks

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