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Subject: RE: USDA National Hunger Clearinghouse Database Forms FNS 543 and FNS 543-A
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Hello Sieger,

Thank you for your comments about the USDA National Hunger Clearinghouse Database Forms. FNS is thankful that you recognize the importance of this information collection and do not perceive the time burden to be an inconvenience. Our staff reviews the forms regularly and seeks ways to decrease the time burden on the public, and will continue to do so. We also have the responsibility to ensure that the information submitted by organizations is comprehensive enough to meet the needs of the public as they search for food and self-help resources.

Thank you again for your comments.

Best,

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Dear Mr. Craddock,

The development of the USDA National Hunger Clearinghouse was a beneficial step in increasing the efficiency of care, whether nutrition-related or otherwise, to be delivered to various communities in need of such services. The process of reporting to this Clearinghouse is also a necessary component of being able to track these services. To answer the specific question of "Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility," I would absolutely say yes. It provides us with a means of aiding people in finding these resources as well as locating areas of need that may not have such services set up.

The individual burden of filling out the form is minimal, and is already quite concise and only asks the necessary information needed to adequately describe the facility the services they offer. The online form also provides an alternate means of providing this information for those who would prefer to utilize this resource as opposed to filling out a paper copy.

Perhaps the form could be re-engineered to be less of a burden, but given the minimal time needed to currently complete the form (5 minutes) perhaps only minimal change would be required.

Respectfully,

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