

2021 Board Candidate Questionnaire

1 What is your name?

Danielle Bozarth

2 What agency are you with? ♦

God's Pantry Food Bank

3 Position are you running for?

Answer

- President
- Vice President
- Treasurer
- State Agency Director
- Local Agency Director

4 How long have you worked with the Commodity Supplemental Food Program, and in what capacity? ♦

I have been involved with the Commodity Supplemental Food Program since 2003 at God's Pantry Food Bank in Lexington Kentucky. I have overseen the Commodity Supplemental Food Program for approximately 15 years.

5 What types of advocacy work (local, state, or national) have you done for CSFP or other programs? ♦

I was appointed to the Kentucky Hunger Task Force in August of 2016 by our Kentucky Agriculture Commissioner Ryan Quarles. I have been on the NCSFPA Board for three years. In March of 2020 I was able to attend the National Anti-Hunger Policy Conference (FRAC) in Washington DC to advocate for the Commodity Supplemental Food Program.

6 What do you see as the number one external challenge facing the National CSFP Association and how should we, as an Association, be addressing it? ♦

More and more seniors nationwide are going hungry. Many seniors live on a very limited income and after paying for utilities, medicine and rent they don't have a lot of money left to buy food. Feeding America states that nearly 5.3 million senior citizens currently face hunger in our country. The Association needs more funding to support our food insecure seniors across the US. I think getting additional funding is a challenge for our Association. CSFP is a critical nutrition program and it's important that we as an Association reach as many seniors as possible by providing a healthy food package. As an Association we need to address senior hunger through increased advocacy for our food insecure seniors.

7 What do you see as the number one internal challenge facing the National CSFP Association, and how should we, as an Association, be addressing it? ♦

I think our biggest internal challenge is getting more people who are a part of our Association involved. We need more board members and we need more committee members. We have a great Association that does great work. However, there is more work to do and more seniors to feed. The number of food insecure seniors is increasing across the US. The Association has several committees like Education, Nutrition, Communication and Conference planning. We have a lot of ideas for the future of the Association but we need help. We need more members of the Association involved so that we can continue to do great things and to help alleviate hunger amongst our food insecure seniors.

8 At which of the following NCSFPA Conferences were you in attendance? ♦

Answer

- 2013 Salt Lake City
- 2014 Philadelphia
- 2015 Charleston
- 2017 New Orleans
- 2018 Fort Myers
- 2019 Alexandria
- None
- Other: I had a staff person attend the conferences in 2013, 2014 and 2015.

9 On what other Boards of Directors or Committees (on any level, Local, State, or National), have you served? ♦

I have served the past year as Vice President of the National Commodity Supplemental Food Program Association. Currently I am serving as President of the Board of Directors for the Woodford Theatre in Versailles Kentucky. This is my second year as President and I have been on the board for three years.