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## USDA Food Distribution on St. Croix Scheduled for Dec. 18 at Complex High School

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The V.I. Department of Education Special Nutrition Programs will host a drive-through distribution of USDA commodities on St. Croix beginning at 7 a.m. on Dec. 18 at the St. Croix Educational Complex High School, the department as announced. Items will be distributed until depleted.

According to the release, to obtain commodities, proper identification must be presented. A self-certification form must be completed on-site, where participants are required to provide information about their gross income. Anyone unable to provide satisfactory information to the distribution site staff will not receive a commodity package. Distribution packages will be limited to one per household.

The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) uses income, not age, to determine program eligibility. The distribution is for individuals or heads of households identified as needy by meeting the criteria shown below:

1. A person or head of household whose gross family income does not exceed the 185% of the Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines for July 1, 2021 thru June 30, 2022 (see income eligibility guideline table below).
2. A person or head of household that is a client of any of the following income certified assistance programs:
  1. Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
  2. Medical Assistance Program
  3. Be a Tenant of a Subsidized Public Housing program

<b>ANNUAL</b>		<b>MONTHLY</b>
<b>Not more than \$ 23,107</b>		<b>Not more t</b>
<b>Household size 2 \$31,284</b>		<b>\$ 2,607</b>
<b>Household size 3 \$ 39,461</b>		<b>\$ 3,289</b>
<b>Household size 4 \$ 47,638</b>		<b>\$ 3,970</b>
<b>Household size 5 \$ 55,815</b>		<b>\$ 4,652</b>
<b>Household size 6 \$ 63,992</b>		<b>\$ 5,333</b>
<b>Household size 7 \$ 72,169</b>		<b>\$ 6,015</b>
<b>Household size 8 \$ 80,346</b>		<b>\$ 6,696</b>
<b>For each add'l family member, add 8,177</b>		<b>\$ 682</b>

For more information, call Federal Commodities Officer Correy Lettsome at (340) 774-0100 Ext. 2818.

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