



# ServSafe<sup>©</sup> Training for Partners



Developed by the National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation (NRAEF), the ServSafe® Food Safety Training Program provides current and comprehensive educational material to individuals working with food, or food handlers.

## How does it work?

The ServSafe® training curriculum plays a fundamental role in the Maryland Food Bank's food safety protocol, and all Maryland Food Bank network partners are expected to have this food safety certification\*. To make this easy for members, we offer a variety of ServSafe® training and certification opportunities. All courses provide instruction on personal hygiene, cooking times and temperatures of food, sanitation, and pest control. Please keep in mind that some are more suited toward one type of hunger-relief agency than others.



## Which Training is Right for You?

• ServSafe® for Food Banking: recommended for food pantries, school pantries, and TEFAP distributors.

All new Maryland Food Bank network partners receive ServSafe® for Food Banking training during orientation. Developed in conjunction with Feeding America, this course is specifically designed for individuals handling food in the context of food banking. The course completion typically takes two to three hours.









• ServSafe® Manager Certification: recommended for soup kitchens, shelters, and other partners involved in preparing meals for clients.

The Maryland Food Bank requires that all soup kitchens and other partners involved in preparing meals for clients maintain at least one staff member that has undergone the ServSafe® Manager training. Training typically takes about two days and must be administered by a certified instructor.

Training is available to network partners at no cost, and the Maryland Food Bank is pleased to provide ServSafe® textbooks to partners at a discounted price.



## To sign up for an upcoming ServSafe® course, contact:

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\* Across Maryland, ServSafe<sup>©</sup> certification is good for five years—with the exception of Baltimore & Howard Counties, which expire after three years. Upon expiration of certification, recertification is required. Feel free to contact us with any questions.



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