

## UNDERSTANDING THE USDA FORM

The Crater Lake Council participates in a summer foodservice program that helps us to keep food cost down for each of our summer camps, Camp McLoughlin and Camp Makualla. We are the only council to participate in this program.

**How does it keep camp cost down?** The Crater Lake Council receives funding from the United States Department of Agriculture to help with the high cost of feeding kids during their week at summer camp. We are working together to help meet the nutritional needs of children.

**How does it work?** By collecting these completed forms, we are able to show the USDA how many boys we fed during the summer, and by listing your income level, they can see how many of those kids are in the lower income levels.

**Who has to fill out this form?** Every boy under the age of 18 must bring this form to camp.

**What if we're not registered in the Crater Lake Council?** Every boy attending a Crater Lake Council overnight camp must fill out this form, even if you are from another council.

**Do I have to list my income?** We ask that you list your income. If your income far exceeds the amounts listed on the attached *Income Eligibility Guidelines* chart, write "Does Not Apply" where your income would be listed. Keep in mind, all information in this form is kept strictly confidential.

**Do I have to put my Social Security number on the form?** Please put your Social Security number if you meet the income eligibility guidelines. Otherwise, it is not necessary.

**Who will see this form?** The Camp Director and the United States Department of Agriculture are the only people who look at these forms.

**Will my name and address be sold for profit?** No, all information is kept confidential.

**What if I don't want anyone in my Pack/Troop to see how much money I make?** Give the form to your Cubmaster/Scoutmaster in a sealed envelope and ask them to turn it in at camp that way.

Thank you for your cooperation,

Andy Tripp  
District Director