

Senior Nutrition Program Frequently Asked Questions

Who can attend the lunch program?

Any Collier County resident, age 60 or over that is **registered** with the meal program may attend.

If I am already a member of the Golden Gate Senior Center am I automatically registered for the lunch program?

No. The meal program is a separate program from the GG Senior Center. If you want to eat lunch, then you will need to additionally sign up for the meal program.

What if I just want to eat and not be a member of the Golden Gate Senior Center?

You do not have to be a member of the GG Senior Center to enroll in the meal program. The programs are separate entities.

How do I register/sign- up for the meal program?

The first step is to call the Elder Helpline at (866) 413-5337. Then you must schedule an appointment with a case manager to complete an assessment. You can do so by leaving a message with your name and phone number on our main line at (239) 252-2233. Staff will call you to schedule your assessment. This information will need to be updated every year.

Do you always have space for new meal program clients?

Unfortunately the program is limited to a certain number of meals per week due to funding. When you call our main number at (239) 252-2233, staff will inform you if you are able to be assessed or if you will be placed on a waiting list. If you are placed on a waiting list, staff will contact you when a spot is available.

Once I complete an assessment, can I eat right away?

Once you are assessed, you can reserve meals for the following week.

Is there a cost to attend?

There is no cost to attend, however we do accept donations.

Can I just drop in or do I need to make a reservation?

We ask that all registered clients sign up a week in advance to ensure we order the correct number of meals. Reservations must be made by Wednesday for the following week.

What time is lunch served?

Lunch is served at 12:00am Monday –Friday.

**If you have any more questions please call our main office at:
(239) 252-2233 (CAFÉ)**