

1 AN ACT concerning public aid.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by
5 changing Section 9-15 as follows:

6 (305 ILCS 5/9-15)

7 Sec. 9-15. Township food pantries. In addition to
8 financial aid provided to persons eligible therefor under
9 Article VI of this Code, in a county under township
10 organization, a township ~~may provide~~, from moneys received and
11 collected for public aid ~~to all persons eligible therefor~~
12 ~~under Article VI of this Code~~, funds, may establish and
13 administer food banks, food pantries, and programs for
14 providing in-kind aid in meeting basic maintenance
15 requirements, including, but not limited to, food, paper
16 goods, toiletries, and clothing, to persons who are poor,
17 indigent, homeless, or in need of immediate assistance
18 regardless of their eligibility, ~~in addition to financial aid~~
19 ~~provided~~ under this Code.

20 (Source: P.A. 101-309, eff. 1-1-20.)