Do I need a license from the Henry County Health Department to provide food for a public event?

The answer is YES if the following conditions are true:

Food will be prepared or served at the event site AND people must purchase or give a suggested monetary donation for the food.

The answer is NO provided one of the following is true:

1. The only foods and beverages being sold are NOT potentially hazardous.  AND
   Over 50 percent of the food to be sold are multiple-portion items such as whole pies (not to be sold by the slice), fudge by the pound, etc.  AND
   The group selling the food is a non-profit organization OR is raising 100% of the funds for a non-profit organization.  AND
   The group does not operate for more than 7 consecutive days or 52 separate days in a year.

2. All foods and beverages to be sold are pre-packaged and NOT potentially hazardous.  AND
   Foods and Beverages will be contained in displays of 200 ft³ or less.

3. Only fresh fruits and/or vegetables that are unprocessed (not cut) are offered.

4. Patrons WILL NOT be charged or required to donate money for the food.
   A FREEWILL (without suggested amounts) donation basket may be used.

Do you still have questions? Please contact us:

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