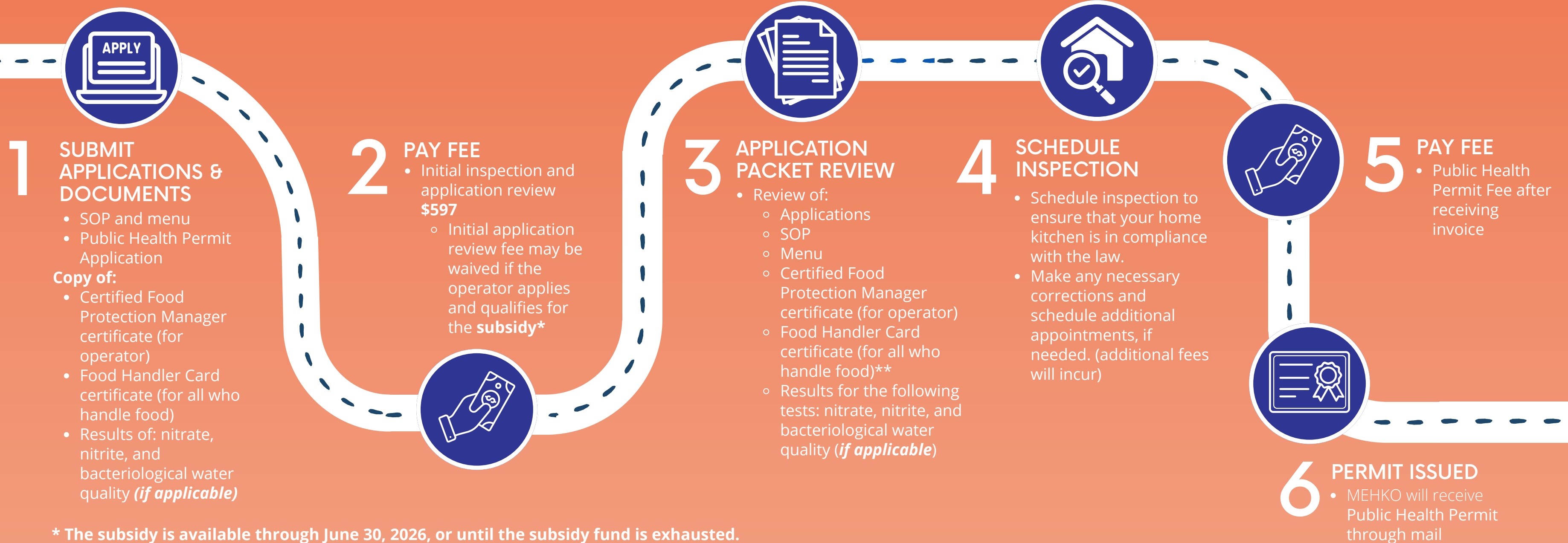




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1 SUBMIT APPLICATIONS & DOCUMENTS

- SOP and menu
- Public Health Permit Application

Copy of:

- Certified Food Protection Manager certificate (for operator)
- Food Handler Card certificate (for all who handle food)
- Results of: nitrate, nitrite, and bacteriological water quality *(if applicable)*



2 PAY FEE

- Initial inspection and application review **\$597**
 - Initial application review fee may be waived if the operator applies and qualifies for the **subsidy***



3 APPLICATION PACKET REVIEW

- Review of:
 - Applications
 - SOP
 - Menu
 - Certified Food Protection Manager certificate (for operator)
 - Food Handler Card certificate (for all who handle food)**
 - Results for the following tests: nitrate, nitrite, and bacteriological water quality *(if applicable)*



4 SCHEDULE INSPECTION

- Schedule inspection to ensure that your home kitchen is in compliance with the law.
- Make any necessary corrections and schedule additional appointments, if needed. (additional fees will incur)



5 PAY FEE

- Public Health Permit Fee after receiving invoice

6 PERMIT ISSUED

- MEHKO will receive Public Health Permit through mail



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