



Harry Chapin Food Bank
OF SOUTHWEST FLORIDA

Food Drive Registration

COMPANY NAME: _____

STREET ADDRESS: _____

CITY/ZIP: _____ CONTACT PERSON: _____

DAYTIME PHONE: _____ FAX: _____

EMAIL: _____

DURATION OF FOOD DRIVE

1st Choice From: _____ To: _____

2nd Choice From: _____ To: _____

COLLECTION CONTAINERS

If you can drop off the food yourself, it would be much appreciated, because you will save us time, money and resources. Our warehouse at 3760 Fowlers Street is open Monday through Friday between 9 am and 3:30 pm. No appointment is necessary.

Thank you so much for caring enough to make a difference in your community.





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Food Drive Tips

ASK FOR SUPPORT

- 😊 Obtain the endorsement of your organization's top management.
- 😊 Have a food bank representative give a presentation to your staff – at your site or ours.
- 😊 Invite co-workers/group members to a planning meeting.
- 😊 Arrange small group tours of the Food Bank to learn more about the hunger problem in our communities and how you can help.

GET CREATIVE

- 😊 Select a coordinator to lead the drive and appoint team captains to take charge of promotion, kickoff events, and competitions.
- 😊 Choose a catchy name or theme for your food drive.
- 😊 Display posters in high traffic areas – (design your own or ask for the food bank poster).
- 😊 Make announcements about food drive at staff meetings.
- 😊 Distribute food collection bags, food drive flyers, and/or donation envelopes.
- 😊 Alert the media; send a press release to local newspapers and/or TV news stations.

SET A GOAL

- 😊 Involve senior management in setting your goal.
- 😊 Determine how much food and/or how many dollars you want to collect.
- 😊 Publicize the food drive in your publications/bulletins; include your goal.

MAKE IT FUN!

- 😊 Create special item days, such as: “Macaroni Monday” and “Tuna Tuesday”.
- 😊 Create challenges between departments, top managers, classes, etc. For instance, the winning department could win a free pizza party or a happy hour.
- 😊 Offer incentives for the top contributor. For example, a casual dress day or a special parking spot.
- 😊 Create a giant thermometer showing progress towards your goal.

AND REMEMBER HAVE FUN!



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Food Drive Themes Year-Round

- **January:** “No Holiday for Hunger”; “Super Bowl Food Drive”
- **February:** “Winter Nutrition Food Drive”; “Love Your Neighbor Food Drive”
- **March:** “Easter Special Food Drive”; “Final Four Can-Can Food Drive”
- **April:** “New Beginnings Food Drive”; “Strike Out Hunger Food Drive”
- **May:** “Mother’s Day Tribute”
- **June:** “Graduation Can/Food Drive”; “Father’s Day Appreciation Food Drive”
- **July:** “Celebrate Independence from Hunger”; “Hit a Home Run for Hunger”
- **August:** “Christmas in August Food Drive”; “Cool at the Pool Food Drive”
- **September:** “Back to School We Care Food Drive”; “Multi-Cultural Food Drive”
- **October:** “Hunger Is a Scary Thing Food Drive”; “Costumes & Cans”; “Don’t Mask Hunger”
- **November:** “Harvest for the Holidays Food Drive”
- **December:** “Holiday Helpers Food Drive”

The **KEY** to making your food drive a success is to make it **FUN!!**



Food Drive Most Needed Items

BREADS & CEREAL

Muffin & bread mixes
Breakfast cereals
Rice, pasta or any whole grains.
Cereal bars

HOLIDAY ITEMS

Stuffing mixes
Cranberry sauce
Gravy (canned or boxed)
Olives and pickles
Pie crust and fillings
Macaroni & cheese
Instant mashed potatoes (boxed)
Canned Vegetables (including yams & potatoes)
Fruit (canned and dried)

HIGH PROTEIN ITEMS

Meat: ham, spreads, stews, chicken
Fish: tuna, sardines, salmon...
Vegetarian: nuts, seeds, peanut butter, other nut butters, beans (canned or dried)

HOUSEHOLD GOODS

(Keep these separate from food donations)
Cleaning supplies & detergents
Paper products

FRUITS & VEGETABLES

Fruit (canned and dried)
Vegetables
100% fruit and vegetable juices
Soups
Sauces
Condiments and salad
Dressings
Fruit Cans