



feeding lives together

Food Drive Info

Thank you for Feeding Lives Together with us - we are excited to partner with you!

Food Drive Containers

The first ingredient of a successful food drive is containers for collecting the food. Large plastic storage bins work best as they are sturdy enough to hold heavy food items. If you decide to use a cardboard box, please tape the bottom securely to prevent box breakage. Use a container that can easily fit in the backseat or trunk of your vehicle for easy delivery to the food bank.

Food Collection Barrels

Golden Harvest has a limited number of food collection barrels available for use. These collection barrels are 3 feet tall, 16 inches wide, and can hold approximately 80-100 pounds of food. Please note that you will need an SUV or truck to pick these up and transport them back to the food bank. If you would like to use our barrels, they can be picked up at one of our warehouse locations Monday-Friday from 8:00 AM - 12 PM or 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (*we are closed for lunch from 12 - 1 PM*).

Food Donation Pick Up

We are grateful for food donations of any quantity. However, transportation costs limit our ability to pick up food donations. Due to limited resources, we can only coordinate pick-ups for locations that have a minimum of five Golden Harvest barrels filled with food donations, or 400 lbs of food. Your assistance in transporting food donations to the Food Bank is greatly appreciated, and helps us reduce operating costs so that we can more efficiently serve children, families and seniors in need.

Food Donation Drop Off

You do not need an appointment to drop off your food donation. Just swing by one of our warehouse locations from 8:00 AM - 12 PM or 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (*we are closed for lunch from 12 - 1 PM*)! Our team can help you unload and weigh the items, and will provide you with a receipt for the donation if desired. Please also provide our staff with the organization and contact information for your drive and/or food donation.

Virtual Food Drives

To maximize your efforts, consider creating a virtual food drive to help feed the hungry! Virtual food drives are online drives that allow your team to “shop” online for food donations. It’s a great tool for those that would prefer to financially support the food bank, and you can use it alongside your traditional food drive as well. To start yours today, visit us at goldenharvest.org/myharvest/how-it-works.

Funds Drive

Another alternative to the traditional food drive is a funds drive. Food drives raise 700 pounds or so on average, which provides about 580 meals to the hungry. But raising \$700 will provide 2,100 meals to those in need! That’s because Golden Harvest works directly with national food distributors to procure food at a fraction of the retail cost. If you would like to start a funds drive or conduct fundraising alongside a traditional food drive, contact us for fundraising materials and tips to make your drive a success!

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