

SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK FOOD OR FUNDS DRIVE TOOLKIT



Thank you for your interest in hosting a food drive! Included in this toolkit are some helpful tips and information to make your drive successful. This is your guide to conducting a food or funds drive at your organization to benefit the Second Harvest Food Bank and the hundreds served in the Mahoning Valley.

**HOST A THEMED
FOOD DRIVE**

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\$10 = 50 MEALS!**



**Second Harvest
Food Bank**
of the Mahoning Valley

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AMERICA**

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**2805 SALT SPRINGS RD.
YOUNGSTOWN, OH 44509**

REGISTER YOUR DRIVE



Are you or your organization interested in running a food drive to benefit Second Harvest? Here are a few things to consider when planning your food drive:

- Call or stop in to fill out our food drive form to register your drive.
- You will need to have some way to collect the food. We offer collection boxes for food drives.
- Consider donating food from Second Harvest's most needed items.
- We can offer you statistics, information, and even flyers to help promote your food drive.

For every 10 pounds of food donated, we can provide 8 meals.

EMAIL OR CALL US TO GET STARTED

FOOD DRIVE REMINDERS



Promotional materials created for your food and funds drive to benefit Second Harvest Food Bank of the Mahoning Valley must be submitted for approval before they are released to the media and/or the public. Please email any materials or media inquiries to Renee Fuller at rfuller@shfbmv.org or send it to her attention by faxing 330-792-9665.

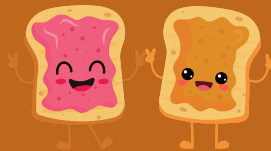
Food drive collection boxes are available for pick up at the Food Bank between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

We ask anyone conducting a food drive to please deliver the food to the Food Bank at the conclusion of the drive. Our normal business hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, but we ask that you arrive before 4:00 p.m.

THEMED FOOD DRIVES

Food Drives help to stock shelves and play a vital role in encouraging community participation and promote awareness. Collecting food and monetary donations is a fun way to form a sense of community while providing food for our neighbors.

Spread the Love



Collect jars of peanut butter and jelly. This is perfect to collect during the month of February, during Valentine's Day!

Food Themed Days



Have participants bring in food donations to correspond with that day's food theme; Macaroni Monday, Tuna Tuesday, Whole Grain Wednesday, Peanut Butter Thursday, Fruity Friday.

Feed the Season



Provide sides, main courses, or meals to families across our community to ensure their holidays are bright!

Cereal for the Summer



1 in 4 children in our area do not know where their next meal will come from. This issue is especially critical when schools are closed for the summer.

FUNDS DRIVE

With our efficient operations, buying power, and volunteer support, we stretch your dollar further than the amount it could purchase at a grocery store.

Special Dress Day



Let employees or students “pay” with food drives to dress a special way (i.e. jean day, casual dress, or tropical shirt day.)

Basket Raffle



Collect donations for a basket raffle, collect funds and donate the proceeds.

Brown Bag Lunch or Coffee Fund



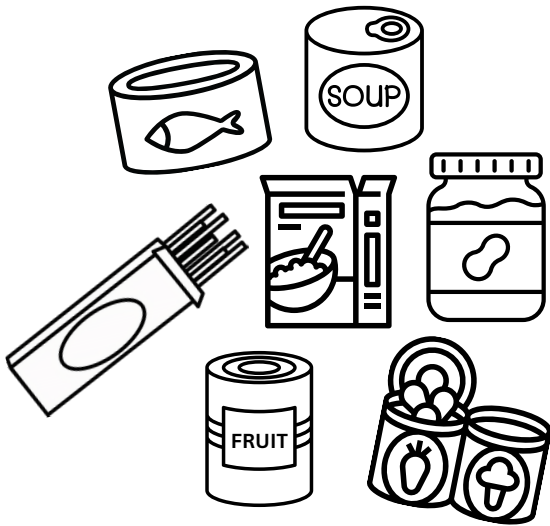
Donate what you would have spent on coffee or lunch that day.

A MONETARY GIFT OF \$10 ALLOWS US TO PROVIDE 50 MEALS!

\$1 = 5 MEALS

MOST NEEDED ITEMS

Use these lists below to determine what to bring to your organization's food drive and share it with other food drive participants.



Most needed food items:

- Canned tuna
- Dry pasta
- Canned fruit
- Cereal
- Macaroni & cheese
- Canned vegetables
- Peanut butter
- Canned soup



We'll also take non-food items, such as:

- Laundry and dish detergent
- Toothpaste
- Toilet paper
- Diapers
- Soap
- Shampoo

AFTER YOUR DRIVE



ARRANGING A PICK-UP OR DROP-OFF FOR YOUR DONATION

If your food drive collected **more than** 500 pounds of food, you can request a pick-up from Second Harvest Food Bank. Please place all food in boxes or barrels before the driver arrives. If located at a multi-entry building, place all boxes in one area.

If your food drive collected **less than** 500 pounds, an appointment is not needed to drop-off food. We are able to accept food donations Monday through Friday between 8 am and 4 pm. Please be prepared to provide our staff with the organization and contact information. All donated items should be unopened and unexpired. We consider the delivery of your food drive as part of your donation. Food and funds may be brought to our warehouse located at 2805 Salt Springs Rd. Youngstown, OH 44509

Thank you!

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To give a
monetary donation

TEXT: FEEDMV

TO: 345345

OR SCAN HERE

MOST NEEDED ITEMS:

PEANUT BUTTER

CEREAL

TUNA FISH

CANNED VEGETABLES

CANNED FRUIT

DRY PASTA