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A Member of Feeding America
Welcome to All Faiths Food Bank

All Faiths Food Bank (AFFB) was founded by a group of individuals who, through their respective organizations, were feeding the hungry. They combined efforts in 1989 to incorporate as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Since then, AFFB has been the only Food Bank serving Sarasota and DeSoto Counties. It has been a Certified Member of Feeding America since 1990.

In 2016, the Food Bank changed its mission representing a shift in how we address hunger and an understanding that hunger is a health issue. Since then, All Faiths Food Bank’s new mission has been: **Together with our partners, we provide healthy solutions to end hunger in our community.** As the food bank grows and develops our number one priority is, and always will be, to feed the hungry.

### Our Impact

- **82,000 PEOPLE** were served in Sarasota and DeSoto counties.
- **8.75 MILLION MEALS** were distributed last year.
- **10.5 MILLION POUNDS** was distributed to children, families, seniors, and veterans.
- **3.6 MILLION POUNDS** of that food was fresh produce.
- **203 AGENCIES & PROGRAMS** are a part of our network.
- **48,678 VOLUNTEER HOURS** helped us carry out our mission.

Thank you for getting involved!

Thank you for partnering with All Faiths Food Bank to end hunger in our community! With a little work and a lot of fun, your food/fund drive will make a difference in the lives of children, families and seniors in need in our community. Food and fund drives foster a sense of teamwork by creating an opportunity to work together toward a common, worthy goal.
Getting Started

1. Designate a Coordinator:
This person should be responsible for all communication with All Faiths Food Bank’s Volunteer Coordinator. They should also promote the food drive and be in charge of coordinating the actual collection of food or funds.

2. Pick Your Dates.
Select a start date that gives you plenty of time for planning and organizing.

Drives typically run from one week to one month.

3. Plan Your Collection.
Where will you collect the food? What will you put it in? All Faiths Food Bank can supply you with boxes (holds up to 80 lbs) or barrels (holds up to 120 lbs)! Either you can pick up collection boxes or we can schedule a drop off. Minimum of 2 boxes or 1 barrel. Drop off days are Monday, Tuesday, and Friday.

Helpful Tips: If you are planning on a large drive, you may want to have several collection points with at least one container at each location. Smaller drives should choose one large, visible collection point in a high-traffic area. Remember, your collection point also serves as continuous publicity for your drive. Also, consider where food will be kept if there is overflow before your drive ends.

4. Make it Fun!
Consider a theme for your food drive: Mac & Cheese Monday, Tuesday Tuna, PB&J day or complete meals in a box. Have a competition between departments and award the winner with a special prize or consider a casual dress day in exchange for a donation.
5. Set Your Goals.
Determine how many pounds of food or how much money you would like to raise. Don’t be afraid to think big! If you choose to donate food, we will weigh it and tell you how much your team collected.

6. Combine your food drive with a Fund Drive.
Adding funds to your food drive provides your audience with options and convenience in their giving! Plus funds go a lot farther than food.

7. Register
Now you are ready to register for your food drive! Visit www.allfaithsfoodbank.org/host-a-food-and-fund-drive/ or call us at 941.549.8156. Please note that if you decide to do both a food and fund drive you will need to complete two separate registration forms; one for a food drive and one for a virtual fundraiser. Both forms can be found at the link above. Once the food bank receives your request, you should receive a response within 24-48 hours with more information.
Food Drive In Action

1. Collect the Food.
As food donations come in, check collection areas for overflow and box items as you go. Continue promoting your food drive throughout the collection period.

2. Deliver the Food.
Small food collections are cost-prohibitive; please drop off your food if possible. We have several convenient locations:
1. Our Warehouse: 8171 Blaikie Ct. in Sarasota is open Monday-Thursday between 8 a.m. -3 p.m. for drop offs and Fridays from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Please come to the front office to check in and get instructions to complete your drop off.
2. Any Goodwill location in Sarasota or Desoto county. (weights are not recorded here)
3. Jacaranda Library: 4143 Woodmere Park Blvd. Venice FL 34293. Hours of operation are between 10 a.m.- 5 p.m. Let Rebecca Freihaut know you are there to drop off food. (Weights are not recorded here)

3. Pick up Food.
If you need to schedule a pickup, please have your coordinator reach out to All Faiths Food Bank 48 hours in advance! We pick up on Monday, Tuesday and Friday. We do ask that you have a minimum of 2 full boxes and/or 1 full barrel.

Promotional Pieces

Below are several promotion pieces to help you get started!
We ask that you create your own flyer with our logo which can be found at www.allfaithsfoodbank.org/branding-and-logos/, however if you need assistance or if you would like a special flyer created please contact us to see if our marketing
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MOST NEEDED FOOD DRIVE ITEMS

Peanut butter & jelly; canned tuna, chicken or salmon; rice; beans of any kind; and shelf-stable milk

OTHER WELCOME FOOD DRIVE ITEMS

Packaged or canned fruit or fruit drinks - please look for 100% juice and pull-tab tops

Canned veggies - please look for pull-tab tops, no salt or sugar added

Cereal, pasta, granola bars, and shelf-stable canned meat snacks. Please select soup, stew and canned goods with pull-tab tops and no added salt or sugar

PLEASE NO GLASS, DAMAGED OR OPEN CONTAINERS

Did you know that you can drop off your food donations at Sarasota County Goodwill locations? It's convenient for you, and helps us to spend less on fuel, more on food.
Fund Drive Guide

1: Register
To get your fund drive started, navigate to the virtual food drive registration page on our website.
Or Click Here!

2: Set a goal
Create a realistic goal for your drive. Select an amount that you think is possible to raise.

3: Upload photo or logo
Upload a photo or logo that you would like displayed on your page.

4: Edit page
Once your page is created, our marketing department will ask for some more info!
You can add a personal message telling your team why this is important to you!

5: Share the page!
You are ready to go!
Share your page with everyone you know and watch the donations come in!