



“Neighborhood Food Drive” Activity for Families

This is an easy project that is super kid-friendly. It will get your whole family living the Works of Mercy, and inspire your neighbors to do the same!

1. Find your local food pantry’s location, the hours they accept donations, & what they accept.
2. Print the door-hangers (you’ll need these for your neighbors, so print as many as you plan on handing out.)
3. Cut out the door-hangers (2 to a sheet).
4. Fill in: the day/time you’ll pick up donations and your local food pantry’s info. (Kids can color the market awning at the top.) Sign the bottom so your neighbors know who’s doing the collection.

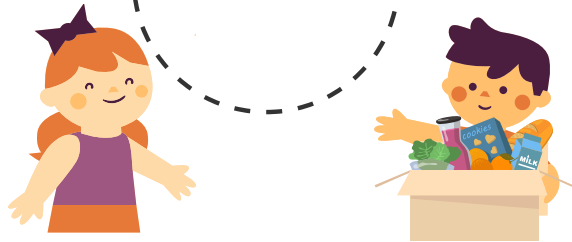
**Note: give people enough notice, but not so much time they’ll forget -- 2-3 days seems ideal.*

5. Distribute the door-hangers with an empty grocery bag.
6. Print, cut out, and sign the thank-you door-hangers.
7. Collect donations and place the thank-you door-hangers.
8. Deliver the donations to your food pantry. (If you’re expecting a large donation, consider giving them advance notice.)

Ideas for Food Pantries to Support:

- Catholic Charities Food Pantry
1815 Hubbell Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50316
- Food Bank of Iowa
2220 E. 17th St., Des Moines, IA 50316
- Food Bank for the Heartland
10525 J Street, Omaha, NE 68127
- Together Food Pantry
3415 W Broadway, Suite B, Council Bluffs, IA 51501
- Salvation Army Clive Food Pantry
1400 NW 100th St, Clive IA 50325
- IMPACT Community Action Partnership - Ankeny 641
S. Ankeny Blvd, Ankeny, IA 50023
- Johnston Partnership Food Pantry
5870 Merle Hay Road, Suite D
Johnston, IA 50131





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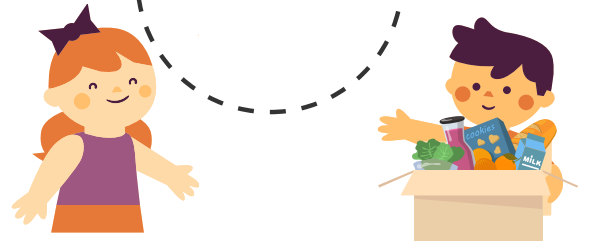
- Protein (like canned meat & fish or peanut butter)
- Canned vegetables, fruit, & soup
- Breakfast items (including cereal and 100% fruit juice)
- Paper and personal products like toothpaste, soap and toilet paper

If interested, please leave this bag with donations on your doorstep by

(time:) _____ (day:) _____

and we'll pick it up! If that time doesn't work for you can also donate directly.

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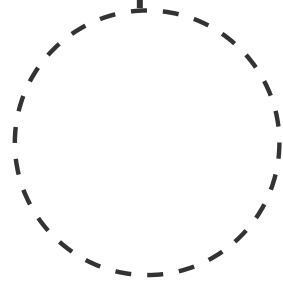
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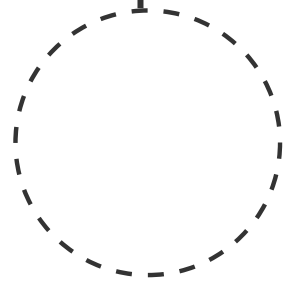
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