



# Corner Cupboard Food Bank Food Drive Planning Kit

One **CAN** make a difference.

*To help you plan a successful fundraiser or food drive to help us end hunger in Greene County.*

In this Food Drive Planning Kit, you will find all of the resources you need to plan a successful food drive or fundraiser for the Corner Cupboard Food Bank. Please contact Maribeth Coote with any additional questions.

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Hunger remains a critical issue for many in Greene County. Whether it involves skipping meals, eating less or making do with unhealthy foods, the effects of hunger can be devastating. **Join Corner Cupboard Food Bank as we lead the fight against hunger in our community.**

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*“The mission of the Corner Cupboard Food Bank is to feed hungry people by soliciting and judiciously distributing food and grocery products through a county-wide network of food pantries, and to educate people about the nature of and solutions to the problems of hunger.”*

For over 20 years the Corner Cupboard Food Bank has been a community-centered organization, committed to serving our neighbors in need.

## BY THE NUMBERS

### The People

2 Full-Time Staff Members  
9 Board Members  
16 Pantry Coordinators  
150+ Volunteers

### The Problem

4,980 food insecure individuals  
1,570 food insecure children  
575 Seniors(65+) living in poverty

### The Product

321,179 lbs. of government commodities  
394,109 lbs. of donated product  
152,316 lbs. of purchased product

### The Patrons

2,000 individuals served each month  
400 seniors (60+)  
600 children (0-18)

## OUR PANTRY NETWORK

Aleppo-Richhill Township Pantry  
Center Township Pantry  
Cumberland Township Pantry  
Dunkard Township Pantry  
Franklin – Waynesburg Township Pantry  
Jackson Township Pantry

Jefferson Township Pantry  
Mon – Greene Township Pantry  
Springhill-Freeport Township Pantry  
Wayne Township Pantry  
Whiteley – Perry Township Pantry

# How the Corner Cupboard Food Bank Works



The Corner Cupboard Food Bank has an annual operating budget of over \$250,000. About 20% of our budget is funded through government support. However, while demand for our services continues to increase, financial support from the government is often static or declining.

***A vast majority of our support comes directly from our community.***

We rely on the generosity and support of individuals like you to continue to achieve our goals. Without community donations, serving our neighbors in need would not be possible.

## YOUR DOLLAR GOES FURTHER.

*For every \$1 donated to the Corner Cupboard Food Bank,  
we can purchase \$5 worth of food.*

***YOU CAN HELP.***

I want to...

Volunteer  Donate  Advocate

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please return to: 881 Rolling Meadows Road, Waynesburg, PA 15370*

# Getting Started

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## 1. Call Us Up.

Contact Maribeth Coote to register to host a food drive or fundraiser.

Maribeth Coote, Executive Director

director@ccfb.comcastbiz.net

(724) 627-9784 or (724) 833-6563

## 2. Decide the Details.

Will you be collecting food, funds or both? How long will your event be held? Where will your collection sites be located?

Checks should be made payable to: Corner Cupboard Food Bank, Inc.

Please include your food drive's name or location in the memo line.

## 3. Plan for Success.

Set a goal; Create a theme; or Make it a Competition! Aim for 100% participation. If you plan on having a kick-off event, contact us to request a food bank speaker.

## 4. Make Some Noise.

The success of your event depends on your ability to market the cause to your network. Motivate everyone to participate and inspire action! Explore ways to get the word out through newsletters, social media, signage and more!

## 5. Deliver the Goods.

Please consider bringing your team to our warehouse for a tour and volunteer experience to help us to process your food drive donations. Regular food bank hours are Monday-Friday 8am-4pm. We will make every effort to accommodate evening/weekend hours for groups.

If you cannot visit our warehouse with your team, it is a great assistance to us to have similar items grouped in boxes and labeled (i.e. 40 cans of corn, 25 boxes of Macaroni, etc.).

**GOOD LUCK!**

Food drives are a powerful way to contribute to the Corner Cupboard's mission to end hunger. Your efforts not only help us collect thousands of pounds of food and monetary contributions, but they also serve as a catalyst that brings the issue of hunger to the forefront, providing immeasurable value to our mission.

The more our story of hunger is heard in the community, the more people will realize how easy it is to take action, and the closer we get to solving the problem.

**Thank you for taking action!**

# Food Drive Ideas

## Winter Wonderland



Heartwarming holiday comfort foods: dry & canned soups, crackers, stuffing, pumpkin, and cranberry sauce.

## Feeling Fruity



Canned or Packaged fruit: canned peaches, pineapple, pears, fruit cocktail, apple-sauce, or fruit juices.

## Oodles of Noodles



Pasta and more: macaroni & cheese, boxed noodles, spaghetti, egg noodles, cheese sauce, or pasta sauce.

## Wake Up Call



Start the Day off Right, with items like: boxed cereal, oatmeal, granola bars, muffin mix, or pancake mix.

## Veggie Mania



Eat those veggies: canned corn, green beans, peas, white and sweet potatoes, baked beans, and black eyed peas.

## Themed Days



Each day is a different item: Macaroni Monday, Tuna Tuesday, Wheat Wednesday, Taco Thursday, Fruit Friday.

## OTHER IDEAS:

**Matching Donations:** Ask your workplace or organization to donate \$1 for every item collected during the food drive.

**Competitions:** Everyone enjoys a friendly challenge. Organize teams and compete to see who can raise the most! Include a special prize for the winners.

**Volunteer:** After your food drive, encourage your group to volunteer together as a team building activity to assist us in sorting your donated items.

**But most importantly, HAVE FUN!**

# The Top Ten Most

# WANTED

## Food Drive Shopping List

- 1. Applesauce**
  - Cans or Plastic Jars
- 2. Beans**
  - Canned or Dry (Baked, green, etc.)
- 3. Cereal**
  - Low Sugar, High Fiber
- 4. Corn**
  - White or Yellow, Canned
- 5. Mandarin Oranges**
  - Cans or Plastic Jars
- 6. Noodles**
  - Spaghetti, Macaroni, etc.
- 7. Peaches**
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- 8. Peanut Butter**
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