



LOAVES & FISHES

Groceries for Neighbors in Need

Conduct a Food Drive

Organize a food drive at your work, neighborhood or congregation. This is a great way to give back to the community and to raise awareness.

Loaves & Fishes is grateful to receive any nutritious nonperishable, commercially prepared food items.

- Step 1** Advertise your food drive. Our current priority needs are canned fruit, 100% juice, pork & beans, peanut butter, canned meat, and soup. **NO GLASS PLEASE.**
- Step 2** Use manageable sized boxes for food collection. Remember that filled boxes are heavy! If you need collection barrels, Loaves & Fishes can provide them. However, keep in mind that barrels can weigh up to 300 pounds once filled and will be difficult to move. Delivery pick-ups and drop-offs take place on Wednesdays and Fridays. (Please give at least 3 days notice for barrel delivery).
- Step 3** When your drive is completed, please deliver the collected food to the Loaves & Fishes pantry nearest you. A list of pantries is located at www.loavesandfishes.org/pantries.htm. You do not need to call ahead to a pantry if you go during published pantry hours. (Businesses - if you are unable to deliver the food, please call the Loaves & Fishes office (704-523-4333) to schedule a pick-up. Delivery pick-ups and drop-offs take place on Wednesdays and Fridays.)
- Step 4** If you or someone you know is interested in volunteering, please contact the volunteer coordinator at 704-523-4333.

Each pound of food collected represents one meal for a hungry person. All the food collected will be distributed from one of our 18 Mecklenburg County food pantries directly to individuals and families in crisis at no charge. With your help, Loaves & Fishes can continue providing groceries for neighbors in need.

THANKS SO MUCH FOR YOUR HELP IN FEEDING THE HUNGRY!