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Thanksgiving 2025 Frequently Asked Questions

Volunteering

Q: I am interested in volunteering to support the Thanksgiving Food Distribution. How do I sign up?

A: You can find all of our volunteer opportunities at www.regionalfoodbank.net/thanksgiving.

Q: What opportunities for volunteering will you have available?

A: The biggest need we'll have will be handing out food at our food distribution locations. Please visit the website to find a full list of our available opportunities.

Sponsorship and Donating

Q: I am interested in donating to or sponsoring the Thanksgiving Food Distribution. How do I do so?

A: Please visit www.regionalfoodbank.net/thanksgiving and click on the appropriate button to make a donation. If your company is interested in sponsorship opportunities, please email thanksgiving@regionalfoodbank.net.

Food Distribution Sites

Q: What are the details of the food distribution?

A: Food distribution will take place on Saturday, November 22 at various locations throughout our 23-county service area. All distributions will begin at 10:00 a.m., however, we advise showing up early to ensure your food is available. We will be providing a turkey and a bag of groceries to neighbors in need.

Q: I'm interested in getting food. What should I do?

A: You can find all the information about our food distribution, including all the locations, at www.regionalfoodbank.net/thanksgiving.

Q: What can I expect from the food distribution locations?

A: You can expect to receive a turkey and bags of groceries, which include the fixings for a traditional Thanksgiving dinner. This may include a turkey, vegetables, stuffing, and other holiday staples. While supplies are limited, we are doing everything we can to ensure that everyone who gets in line receives food to help them celebrate the holiday.

Q: Will there be limits on the amount of food I can get?

A: Food will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis. To help ensure that everyone in line receives food, each site will have limits in place, such as how many households can be served per vehicle.

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For planning purposes, we expect to limit each car to one household, meaning each vehicle can receive groceries for a maximum of one household, however, please be advised that it can change on the day of the distribution.

Q: Can I pre-register to get food?

A: No pre-registration is necessary. All food will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Q: What time will the food distribution start? How early can I line up?

A: All food distributions will start at 10:00 a.m. Each location will have different line-up times, based on the rules and laws of each municipality.

Q: Can I walk up and receive food, or do I have to have a car?

A: For the most part, our locations will allow walk-ups for those people who are unable to drive to the location. We suggest that you check our website closer to the date for the specific location you are interested in.

Q: I am homebound and unable to get to any of the distribution sites. Can you deliver meals to me?

A: No. Our model is not a delivery model to people's homes. If you visit our website at www.regionalfoodbank.net and click the Find Food button in the top right corner, you can find pantries in your area that MAY be delivering food this Thanksgiving. (You can also walk them through the process and help them find a pantry in their area.)

Q: What are your distribution sites?

A: We will have a full list of distribution sites on our website by the end of the week. Please visit www.regionalfoodbank.net/thanksgiving to find them.

Q: I work at an agency or program partner. Can I pick up food for my clients?

A: Yes, you can pick up food on behalf of your clients. We do not require that the food be picked up by the household receiving it. However, the same distribution guidelines apply, each vehicle is limited to food for one household.

Senior Food Distribution

Q: I am a senior, looking to get prepared meals. How can I get them?

A: We are working directly with senior living sites across our service area. By the end of this week, a full list of participating sites will be available on our website at www.regionalfoodbank.net/thanksgiving.

If you do not live at one of these sites, you are still welcome to visit one of our public food distribution locations to receive groceries. A complete list of those sites will also be posted at the same web address

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Agency and Program Partners

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Q: I'm interested in having our location be a food distribution location. How can I make this happen?

A: At this time, all of our distribution locations are set for 2025. In 2026, we'll send out information about how your agency or program can get involved next year.

Q: Our partner agency and program is interested in getting food for our own distribution. How can we go about doing that?

A: We're doing all we can to meet these requests. The easiest way is to order what you need through our standard ordering process.

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