

# United Food Bank and Services

*Nourish Today. Thrive Tomorrow.*



## Welcome to Our Partner Food Drive Toolkit

Thank you for partnering with us to host a food and resource drive in support of United Food Bank & Services!

This toolkit is designed especially for our incredible community partners, businesses, churches, schools, and organizations who want to support meaningful change in our community. With your help, we can fill the shelves of our brand-new facility and support the programs that keep our community nourished, supported, and empowered.

Inside this toolkit, you'll find:

- A list of our most-needed items
- Simple steps to host a successful drive
- Social media captions and flyers to spread the word
- Tips to keep your team engaged
- A post-drive thank you template

Your leadership helps ensure that children, seniors, families, and even pets across all of East Hillsborough County have access to food and essential resources. We're so grateful for your partnership and we're here to support you every step of the way.

**With this food drive you are helping us feed neighbors residing in: Plant City, Brandon, Dover, Lithia, Riverview, Seffner, Thonotosassa, Valrico and Wimauma!**

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## Welcome & Introduction

Your generosity directly helps us serve thousands of community members through our expanded programs in our new Plant City facility. Together, we can create a ripple of good across our community.

Your drive will help stock the shelves for our programs:

- **Feeding Our Future** — child and youth-focused nutrition
- **Feeding Our Legacy** — supporting seniors with dignity
- **Feeding Our Community** — nourishing local families and individuals
- **Pink Pantry** — addressing women's wellness
- **Pet Pantry** — caring for the whole household

## ✓ How to Host a Successful Food Drive

### Step 1: Pick Your Dates!

Plan for 1-3 weeks.

### Step 2: Choose a Drop-Off Spot at your Location!

Pick a visible, accessible location and add a sign.

### Step 3: Spread the Word!

Use our flyers and social posts. Rally your team!

### Step 4: Collect & Celebrate!

Share progress updates, shout out top donors, and thank everyone.

### Step 5: Deliver the Goods!

Contact UFB to coordinate drop-off or request pickup.

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## What to Donate

### Everyday Pantry Needs

- Beans
- Canned Fruits & Vegetables
- Canned Meats (tuna, chicken, etc.)
- Canned Soups
- Cereal
- Pasta & Rice
- Tomato Sauce
- Coffee & Tea

### Feeding Our Future

- Peanut Butter & Jelly
- Mac & Cheese
- Oatmeal
- Breakfast & Snack Bars

### Feeding Our Legacy

- Ensure/Boost Nutritional Drinks
- Crackers
- Applesauce Cups
- Protein Bars
- Adult Diapers
- Hygiene Items

### Pink Pantry

- Tampons & Pads
- Deodorant
- Face Wash & Masks
- Shampoo & Conditioner

### Pet Pantry


- Cat & Dog Food
- Pet Toys & Beds
- Miscellaneous Pet Items




## Organizer Tips



- Add friendly signs like "Most Needed This Week" or "Thank You For Donating!"
- Offer a reward or prize for most donated
- Encourage group challenges (departments, classrooms, etc.)

## Social Media Captions (Sample)


### Instagram/Facebook:

 [Your Business Name] is proud to host a food drive for United Food Bank & Services! Join us in collecting critical supplies to nourish our community. Drop off your donations at [location] through [date]! #UFBFoodDrive #UnitedAgainstHunger

 We're teaming up with United Food Bank & Services to help stock the shelves of their brand-new facility!   Join us in collecting food and essentials for local neighbors, families, seniors, and kids. Every item you drop off helps fill this incredible new space with nourishment and hope.

 Drop donations at: [location]  
 Drive runs through: [date]

**Story/Post Idea:** Post a photo of your donation bin filling up and tag @UnitedFoodBankandServices with a caption like:

Day 3 of our food drive and look at this GROWTH! Let's keep it going! 

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## Post-Drive Thank You Template

**Subject:** Thank You for Making a Difference!

We did it! Together, we collected [insert stats] in support of United Food Bank & Services. Your generosity is already making an impact for:

- Local families
- Children and youth
- Seniors
- Women in need
- Pets in struggling households

Thank you for joining us in this important mission. We're grateful to have you on this journey with us!

For questions, pickup scheduling, or large drive coordination, contact:

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