

Monthly Spotlight



Thanks to generous donations from the NH Electric Coop Foundation and Harvard Pilgrim Healthcare, three mobile food pantries took place over the last few months in Littleton, Colebrook and Groveton. In total, about 600 families were served prepacked boxes of non-perishables, assorted produce and a few fresh items like beef, yogurt, milk and cheese. With a few more mobile food pantries coming up in the next few months, we're looking forward to being able to serve as many families as possible around the state.



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What's Cookin' *April 2019*

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Safe Food Handling

All Agencies are **required** to have at least one representative attend a Safe Food Handling Class. Your Program Director/Coordinator must submit a written request, with the names of attendees to: jcheney@nhfoodbank.org

Upcoming Classes

Wednesday, April 24th @10am
Tuesday, May 21st @10am

Please arrive 10 minutes early.

WELCOME New Agencies

House of Hope
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Got Lunch-
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New Shopper Orientation

Your Program Director/Coordinator must submit in writing, the names of any shoppers to be added or removed for your agency to: jcheney@nhfoodbank.org

Sign up early, spots fill up quickly!

Upcoming Classes

Wednesday, April 17th @10am
Wednesday, May 15th @1pm

Please arrive 10 minutes early.

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Food Bank Closings

Friday, April 19th: Good Friday
 Monday, May 27th: Memorial Day

Quotable

"Learn from yesterday, live for today, look to tomorrow, and rest this afternoon."
 ~Charles M. Schulz



April's Delivery Schedule

As previously noted in March's bulletin and via emails, we wanted to remind you that the April delivery schedule will be pushed back a week.

Week 1 is April 9th-11th

Week 2 is April 16th-18th

Week 3 AND 4 are April 23rd-25th

May's week 1 will begin on April 30th.

Fresh Rescue

All meat received via the Fresh Rescue program should be received frozen. If the meat that you receive is not frozen, please let us know so we can address this with the store.

Please let us know if you are unable to pickup on your scheduled day so that we can find someone else to help you out that week. Please do not make any changes to your agency's pickup schedule without letting us know.

A Note From Agency Relations

Included with this bulletin is the 1st quarter 2019 QSR. Please submit your agency's report by April 31st. In doing so, you will be eligible to win a \$25 credit on your Food Bank account.

Mystyna, Emily and Jocelyn

Safe Food Handling Tip

Fill a plastic bottle with water about half way. Place the bottle upright in the freezer and allow it to freeze. If there are multiple freezers, place a bottle in each freezer. Once frozen, rearrange the bottle inside the freezer so that it's tilted. Always keep the bottle tilted inside the freezer (once the water is frozen) to ensure this tip works correctly.

If the building loses power for a long period of time, the water will thaw. When the power is restored, the water will refreeze—but the ice in the bottle will be slanted. If this is ever the case, you should discard the food in the freezer and refrigerator because you don't know how long the food has been sitting outside of the safe temperature requirements and will not be able to determine it's safety.

Volunteer Appreciation Month!

This month we want to say a huge "Thank You" to all of the NH Food Bank volunteers that work behind the scenes for us! We have a dedicated group of about thirty volunteers that come to our facility up to four days a week and help with the majority of the salvage sorting as well as a variety of other tasks.

Our volunteers are incredibly hard-working, show up in all kinds of weather, and always have a smile on their face. Some have been joining us for many years and we can not thank every person enough. We would not be able to make the Food Bank what it is without their dedication and care.



NHFB volunteers share a laugh while sorting donations.

Agency Requirement Reminders

We wanted to take a moment to remind you of a few requirements and rules as part of your signed Agency Agreement.

- All programs must place an order or shop at the Food Bank a minimum of 3x a year (Fresh Rescue counts towards this).
- You are allowed one online order per week, plus an additional day of floor shopping if you would like. If you want to shop the floor without placing an online order, you must contact Deb at ext. 1110 to set up your appointment.
- Please return all plastic pallets if you receive one with your order.
- All shoppers should notice and check the paper that is taped to your order to verify that you are receiving the correct order.
- You may not redistribute prepackaged bulk food into smaller portions for your clients.
- Food received from the NHFB is not to be shared with agencies that are not partnered with the NHFB.
- Only registered shoppers (who have taken a Shopper Orientation class) should be placing orders on Agency Express.
- All agencies must have at least one person attend a Safe Food Handling class within six months of activation.