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for His people in need.

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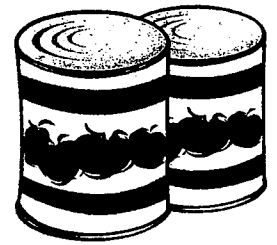
Smoke Detectors

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We Need Your Help!

Join us on Saturday mornings, June 1 & 8
to collect much needed food.



For our 6th year we will be going door-to-door to collect enough food to take us through the summer and early fall. Donations drop dramatically during the summer. With the great recession slowing getting better, we are still seeing a record number of people turning to us to keep their families from going hungry.

Last year we dropped off information to 7,000 homes on the first Saturday leaving information and bags for food. On the second Saturday we collected the bags filled with food. We still ran out of food in the beginning of September and spent thousands of dollars buying enough food to hold us over until food collections started back up in the latter part of fall.

This year our goal will be to get to 10,000 homes. But to do this WE NEED YOUR HELP. *WE CANNOT DO IT WITHOUT YOU!*

1. We need door hangers and drivers and we need as many on the first Saturday as we do on the second Saturday. We will start at 8:30 am each Saturday.

2. If you have a van, pickup truck or SUV capable of handling the food pickups the second Saturday, please call us.

3. We need volunteers to package the food in boxes on June 8. This is a great opportunity for Sunday School classes, Youth Groups or School Groups needing to earn service hours and a great opportunity to be "neighbors helping neighbors". It can be a project just for your family or as a service project for your Organization or Business.

Please visit our web site at www.Feed-My-People.org or call April Gunther at 636 212-1615.

Can't help in June but still want to help us gather more food? How about putting out a collection barrel where you work in July with a "Freedom from Hunger" theme. For more information contact Ted West, Daily Operations Manager at the Lemay facility, 314 631-4900 or Mary Hettenhausen, Assistant Daily Operations Manager at the High Ridge, 636 677-9885.



The Difference We Make

Dear Feed My People,

I want to thank you for all the wonderful things you did for my family. I was a single mom with four boys. I will never forget your generosity and kindness.

Please use this (they sent in a donation) for another single mom to help her with her little ones.

Hope the year provides all you need for those entrusted to your care.

Jim is with us in High Ridge. He has two little girls, Susie, age 7 and Anita, age 9. He has a neurological

disorder which has resulted in two back surgeries. He tries to keep up with the things his two daughters need, both for school and personally. From time to time he tries to get a part time job but unfortunately his back doesn't cooperate very long. Even though he receives a disability income and food stamps, it just isn't enough in today's economy. The assistance with food, personal care and seasonal programs makes his household more manageable. Jim has indicated on several occasions that life without Feed My People would be nearly impossible.

Plant a Row for the Hungry

Planting a vegetable garden this year? How about planting an extra row for the hungry, and for those who do not have their own yard to plant? Feed My People will be happy to take any homegrown produce you would like to donate this year.

Help Keep a Family Cool this Summer

Feed My People is in need of some fans again this year. Nearly 60% of those we help are either children or elderly, the two age groups most affected by the harsh summer heat. We do not have many funds in our budget for this program, so if you could help by purchasing some fans for us – it would be greatly appreciated. Please drop off at either location. Thank you.

School Supplies Needed

It may seem early to be talking about needing school supplies, but we have to plan ahead, as we will need them by the end of July, and will be distributing them in early August. However, we have to start collecting them now to have an adequate supply. Additionally, many groups like to do a summer project of collecting school supplies so if your group is interested in doing this, please contact us so we can send you a list of needed items, or else check on our website to obtain this information, www.feed-my-people.org. Thank you!

Manna Messenger Via E-Mail?

If you're interested in getting the Manna Messenger by email, it will help us save postage and printing costs. Send your email address to ginny_macrum@feed-my-people.com

Thank you to everyone who has responded so far!

Volunteers Always Needed

Become part of a great team of volunteers and receive a rewarding and beneficial experience. We welcome enthusiastic people who want to serve for the benefit of others in our community. If you are interested, please call Ted West at 314-631-4900, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., or Saturday, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 1 p.m., or call Ann Mantler or Mary Hettenhausen at the High Ridge location, at 636-677-9885, Tuesday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., or Saturday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. We look forward to seeing you soon.



“Shining Stars”
Volunteer Special Awards

JIM ANGEL a driver on several days of the week at High Ridge, feels that his mission in life is to help people who need it. He is a good P.R. person for Feed My People, is always courteous, polite to all the people he encounters, always happy and has a congenial personality. Because of these assets, his fellow volunteers believe that he best represents the heart of the organization and thus deserves Feed My People's annual HEART AWARD.

LARRY TATE (High Ridge) a driver for our High Ridge facility, is a “born leader” and a good representative for Feed My People to the community who is very dependable and is always willing to help at a minutes' notice. He has a very positive attitude and gets along will with the other volunteers. He was nominated by his fellow volunteers as the VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR at the High Ridge facility.

NANCY WOESTENDIEK has been volunteering in our food pantry for four plus years at the Lemay facility and had also worked with Habitat for Humanity for a few years. So when we needed someone to take over our program of rehabbing the houses of some of our clients, she jumped at the chance. Initially working in partnership with Rebuilding Together, a national organization, and then last year with the Lemay Housing Partnership, she interviewed the clients who needed help, filled out the paperwork and submitted it to our partners for final approval and selection, recruited 25-35 volunteers each year to help work on these homes and recruited the captains and co-captains for each work site, (including her husband for two years). Her fellow volunteers believe that she is most deserving to be called the Lemay office's VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR.

LARRY COLLINS (South County), a driver at the Lemay facility, has been volunteering with Feed My People for at least thirteen years. He is willing to drive anywhere at any time and comes in early and stays to take care of both scheduled and unscheduled food pickups. He has also supervised the Community Service workers as needed, people who need to work off time for minor offenses. In addition, he has recruited his wife, Linda, to work in the food pantry and works along side of his brother, Rich, on food pickups. The Lemay volunteers believe that Larry best represents the heart of the organization and nominated him to receive our annual HEART AWARD.

In Loving Memory

Shirley Campbell – March 10, 2013 – Receptionist – High Ridge
Nancy Danter – March 11, 2013 – Cashier in the Thrift Store – Lemay
Dorothy Kuhn – April 17, 2013 – Christmas Basket Programs – Lemay

All these volunteers will always hold a “special” place in our hearts and will always be a part of our Feed My People family.



Memorials

Donald Arendt
Shirley Beeson
Shirley R. Campbell
Brad Carson
Mary Cowein
Allen Christmann
Neal Cook
Doyle Crabtree
Elzina – sister to Rosemary League
Russell Fette Jr.
Sister Franks
Mary Ellen Geiser
Gregory Glennon
Ray & Dorothy Goodhart
Kenny Lee Guernsey
Donna Haag
Edward & Norma Huxhold
Gary Imo
Albert Klasing
Betty J. Knowles
Carl & Dorothy Kuhn
Jeanne Lavin
Bill & Mary Mangan
Robert & Virginia May
Fay Patakas
Jennifer Kirsten Rhea – Birthday
Stan Rodak
Alberta Ross
Norman Schaper
Barbara Schira
Mildred Schmaltz
Earl & Flo Schmidt
Richard Schrama
Patricia Schwartzmeyer
Joan Schumacher

Richard Schweppe
Donald Scribner
Joan Sieber
Robert & Rose Silies
Barbara Simpson
Mark Stratmann
Dolores Stuhlmann
Martin & Lucille Thome
Henry & Rose Von Rohr
Mrs. Walter
James Winter
Carol Zabroski
Gus Zeiter
Marvin Zwick

**Mark Your
Calendars For - -
Upcoming Events**

Check our website
for more details.

August 15: First annual Back To School Parents Night Out Event and Kids Activity Zone.

September 28: Will Work for Food, our annual Jefferson County Fundraiser

September 29: 2013 Manna March Walk for Hunger. This year promises to be bigger than ever with a greater emphasis on our young people.

November 9: Bringing Fashion into Action: Fall & Holiday Fashion Show and Luncheon.

Notice

We will be closed
Saturday, May 25th and
Monday, May 27th for Memorial
Day Weekend,
and also we will be closed
Thursday, July 4th for
Independence Day.

Tributes

Clay Barton
30 yrs Service with
Sigma Aldrich Corp.

Norman & Lois Hansen
God's Blessings

Phyllis Powers
Birthday

Elizabeth Schmidt
Birthday

Esther Schultz
80th Birthday

Dawn Schwartz
Mildred Wotli
90th Birthday

Memorial / Tribute Program

Enclosed is my gift of \$ _____

In Memory of (Name) _____

In Honor of (Name) _____

(In Honor of Occasion) _____

Name _____

Please send Notifications to: Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

From: Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone: _____

I want to help hungry people in this area and to make a difference.
Enclosed is my donation of:

\$25 \$50 \$100 \$200 \$500 Other _____

I am interested in volunteering at one of your two offices. Please send me information.

I am interested in information adding Feed My People to my will/estate planning.

I would like to make a monthly pledge of \$ _____. Please send a year's supply of return envelopes.

Please send me information about how I can make automatic monthly donations.

My group would like information on Feed My People and hunger in this area. Please call me at _____.