

The Warehouse and Food Bank will be CLOSED for

JUBILEE DAY
JUNETEENTH
Wednesday
June 19

We are currently organizing meal distributions during summer to support families who relied on school meals.

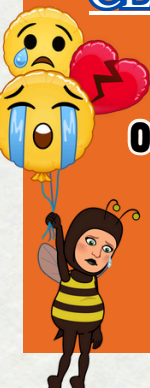
Locations, Dates, and Times will be sent via email soon!

Monthly Reporting Link

Remember to submit reports using the link available on our website's Agency Zone or

[CLICK HERE!](#)

Only 97 Agencies reported for April 2024



REMEMBER TO BEE KIND



We have noticed a consistent rise in the volume of visitors seeking our Pantry services. Among them are individuals returning after a hiatus and newcomers seeking food assistance. It is evident that due to escalating food prices and reduced financial aid, more individuals are experiencing food insecurity compared to previous times.

The good news is that we are now more equipped to address this increasing demand thanks to all of you!

Food assistance is not the sole support we offer our neighbors during their visits. The manner in which we interact with them holds equal significance to the food aid we provide. **It is crucial to treat our neighbors with respect and dignity, irrespective of their present situations.**

Recently, we took part in a conference that allowed us to discuss Hunger and Food Insecurity with 1,200 3rd-5th graders. When questioned about the appearance of someone who is "hungry," the following were the most common answers from all the groups:



- Dirty
- Skinny
- Wearing Torn Clothes
- Smelly
- Holding a Sign
- Homeless

We then asked if anyone had ever experienced being hungry to raise their hand. Not a single hand remained down, which is not surprising as **hunger does not have a specific "look."** Hunger and Food Insecurity affect all, without discrimination, and **neither should we.**

Many neighbors experiencing food insecurity may not fit the expected image of being "in need". They might appear well-dressed, own expensive possessions or vehicles, seem reserved, or come across as unappreciative.

Requesting assistance can be challenging, and it is our responsibility to eliminate any associated stigma by being understanding and hospitable, particularly when engaging with our neighbors directly. Now is a great time to discuss with your staff and volunteers about not making assumptions on what "need" looks like and to keep compassion and empathy at the forefront of each interaction.

Removing the stigma is a vital to combat hunger and food insecurity here in North Alabama.



AGENCY NEWSLETTER

CIVIL RIGHTS TRAINING

ANNUAL CIVIL RIGHTS TRAINING DUE JUNE 30

Training may be done individually or in a group. This training is required for all Agencies that distribute USDA/CSFP.

Forms for 2024-2025 will be distributed when they arrive.

[ANNUAL CIVIL RIGHTS TRAINING LINK. CLICK HERE.](#)

The link was also sent via email and is available on the Agency Zone website. Agencies who do NOT complete their Civil Rights Training by **JUNE 30** will be placed on hold and unable to place USDA orders until training is completed.



LET'S GET TOGETHER ✈️

Hunger Summit 2024

FOOD BANK OF NORTH ALABAMA

Save the Date:
600 GOVERNORS DR SW, HUNTSVILLE, AL 35801
THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 12, 2024
-INFORMATION ON BOOKING YOUR SEAT TO FOLLOW-



Marshall County!

Please print and display the flyers on the following pages for your community to see!



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