

Seventh Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Food Drive

December 15, 2017 - January 15, 2018

We need your help. Wow, this is going to be our 7th Elgin's Dr. Martin Luther King Food Drive. The local food pantries, listed below, need our help and it all leads to the fact that there are many of our local families who really need a little assistance to get them through some tough times.

WE NEED YOUR HELP! Currently, Kane County has roughly:

55,787 or 10.7% – residents living in poverty (US Census 2014)

44,010 or 8.5% – food insecure residents (Map the Meal Gap 2015)

27,970 or 19.0% – food insecure children (Map the Meal Gap 2015)

U-46 schools - 600 HOMELESS students

The goal for this year's food drive is to collect and distribute 20,000 lbs. of canned goods and household items to these major, local food pantries:

Food for Greater Elgin, All Peoples Inter-Faith Food Pantry, Elgin's Salvation Army, Elgin Crisis Center, Centro De Información, Hanover Township Pantry, Bethesda Church Pantry and Westside Church Pantry.

Cash is also desirable, as it allows the pantries to purchase, at amazing prices, many items which are not donated such as fresh produce, meats and dairy items.

Drop off Locations:

Gail Borden Library
Most local churches
Elgin Fire Stations

Elgin Police Station
Local Jewel Food Stores
Butera Markets - Elgin and South Elgin

Elgin City Hall
Elgin YWCA
Elgin YMCA

SUGGESTED ITEMS FOR DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING FOOD DRIVE

Chili
Canned Tuna - Mackerel - Salmon
Vienna sausage
Spam
Canned beef stew
Peanut Butter
Bag of Northern Beans
Bag of Pinto Beans
Cans of Kidney Beans
Cans of Pork and Beans
Cans of Baked Beans
Canned Corn
Canned Peas
Canned Carrots
Canned Tomatoes
Canned Mixed -Vegetables
Tomato Sauce
Instant Potatoes
Spaghetti Sauce
Canned Fruit Cocktail
Canned Peaches
Canned Pears
Apple Sauce
Grape Jelly
Apple Juice
Grape Juice

Powdered Drinks (i.e., Kool-Aid)
Powdered Milk
Oatmeal
Grits
Cereal (Breakfast)
Rice
Flour
Sugar
Saltine Crackers
Cornmeal Mix
Pancake Mix
Bisquick Mix
Muffin Mix
Chicken Noodle Soup
Vegetable Soup
Tomato Soup
Ramen Noodle Soup
Macaroni and Cheese
Noodles
Spaghetti
Canned - Spaghetti and Meatballs
Canned Ravioli
Coffee
Tea
Jell-O-Regular
Jell-O-Sugar Free
Salt

Cooking Oil
Pancake Syrup
Baby Food

NON-FOOD ITEMS

Laundry Soap
Hand Soap
Dishwashing Soap
Toothpaste
Tooth brushes
Paper Towels
Bathroom Tissue
Facial Tissue
Laundry Detergent
Diapers
Baby Powder