

Woohoo!

Thanks so much for signing up to host a food drive for the Yuma Community Food Bank! We depend on generous support like yours to help keep our pantries stocked and ready to support those experiencing hunger.

Please take a moment to fill out the linked form here: [Food Drive](#)

To help your food drive be as successful as possible, we have put together several resources. In this packet you will find:

1. A customizable food drive poster*
2. A Spanish customizable food drive poster*
3. A "Most Needed Items" poster* *(*please do not attach to food boxes)*
4. Grocery shopping lists to hand out
5. A "Get the Facts" info sheet to share with your team & on social media
6. A guide to adding on a fundraiser to your food drive
7. Creative ideas for your food drive

If there is anything we can do to offer support during your food drive, please don't hesitate to reach out!

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FOOD DRIVE

Help us fight hunger in Arizona!

DATES: _____

LOCATION: _____

CONTACT: _____

Most needed items:

Rice

Beans

Pasta

Cereal

Oatmeal

Soup

Canned Fruits & Vegetables

Canned Fish & Meats

Peanut Butter

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COLECTA DE ALIMENTOS

Ayúdanos a combatir el hambre en Arizona!

FECHAS: _____

UBICACIÓN: _____

CONTACTO: _____

Artículos más necesarios

Arroz

Frijoles

Pasta

Cereal

Avena

Sopa

Latas de vegetales y fruta

Latas de carne y pescado

Crema de cacahuete

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Most Needed Items

Peanut Butter

Cereal

Rice

Oatmeal

**Canned Fish
& Meats**

Soup

**Canned Fruits
& Vegetables**

Beans

Pasta

Print & Pass Out

To help equip all the participants in your food drive, consider printing these simple Grocery Lists to hand out!

Grocery List for Food Drive

Cereal	Canned Meat
Oatmeal	Canned Fish
Soup	Canned Fruit
Beans	Canned Veggies
Pasta	Rice
Peanut Butter	



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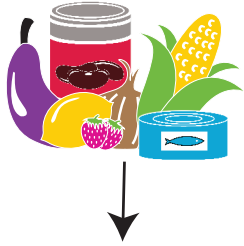


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YUMA COMMUNITY FOOD BANK

Each year, YCFB provides access to more than 14 million meals. In collaboration with our community, we advocate for policy change and racial equity, and promote dialogue on ways to increase access to food and to improve the lives of those in our communities, including services and connections to programs that address the root causes of hunger and are aimed at helping families achieve long-term stability: nutrition education, job training, and health management.

How A Food Bank Works

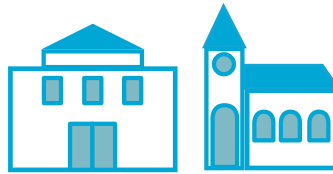


Food comes in to Yuma Food Bank from various sources and is inspected, sorted, and stored in our warehouse.

Food is then distributed to our community partners. These partners include pantries, soup kitchens, schools, multi-service centers, and other hunger relief agencies.

Our partners then give out the food directly to those who need it in the community.

Our mission: is to relieve hunger, increase self-reliance and improve the quality of life for children and families throughout Southwestern Arizona.



Last Year In Review:*

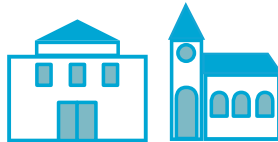
2 Counties

served by
Yuma Community
Food Bank



19 + Partners

such as food pantries,
soup kitchens, meal sites,
and shelters.



14 Million Meals

of nutritious food
made possible



95% Fresh Produce

out of our total output was
distributed to partners and
the community



**28,146
Hours**

volunteered



**Emergency
Food Boxes**

Over 150 thousand
emergency food boxes
were distributed.



468,3000

We served over
400,000 Individuals.
and
111,637 Households



*Data from Yuma Food Bank's 2022 fiscal year (July 2022 - June 2023)

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Creative ideas for your food drive!

Adding additional components to a food drive can really make a difference when it comes to increasing donations and encouraging community involvement. Here are a few ways you can amp up your food drive:



1. Create a theme.

Make participation easy for everyone - create a memorable theme!

*Holidays (ex: Giving Thanks Drive)

*Sport Event (ex: March Macaroni Madness!)

*Rise & Shine (ex: breakfast foods)

*Seasonal (ex: Winter WarmUp Soup Drive)

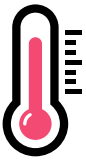
*Spread the Love (ex: peanut butter only)

*Event Admission (ex: donation = ticket)



2. Get social!

Promote your food drive on social media! Check out Yuma Community Food Bank's social media for posts that you can share on your accounts. The more, the merrier when it comes to fighting hunger!



3. Visible goals.

Create a simple poster to track donations as they come in and place it in a high-traffic area of your food drive. Share the stats through a weekly update to participants.



4. Make it a competition.

Everyone loves a little friendly competition! Consider challenging another department, classroom, or office location to see who can collect more food. Come up with a fun prize for the winning group to up the ante!



5. Add a virtual component!

Search and share these 2 online shopping lists that get delivered directly to Yuma Community Food Bank:

1. Amazon: Search the registry list for "Yuma Community Food Bank"

2. Instacart: Visit this website & search "Yuma Community Food Bank" www.instacart.com/store/hub/community_carts

