

The Monthly Meal



Henrico Community Food Bank's Newsletter- November Edition



**You Make a Bountiful Harvest
Possible for Henrico
Neighbors!**

A message from HCFB client Anna Johnson about how your investment provides healthy meals for her family

Anna Johnson is a single mother of 6 children - 2 of whom have autism. Anna found HCFB through social media when the pantry she was going to ran out of resources and closed. HCFB has been part of Anna's family since January of 2023 when she first reached out for support.

With shelf stable and perishables as part of the delivery, Anna is able to ensure healthy meals making meal times happier. According to Anna, " It would definitely be a lot more stressful if it weren't for HCFB's home delivery. HCFB is amazing!

They are on time, all the time. The fact that they deliver is such a huge help because I cannot always leave my children alone at home. The inclusion of fresh vegetables and fruit is a big plus! HCFB is always calling on me to check on me and my family. It would be such a struggle if not for them".

Stories like Anna's are common place. And with the holidays fast approaching, we need your support. **Make an annual or recurring monthly donation now to ensure healthy, full plates for our families in Henrico.**

Thank you, Troutman Pepper for Your Generous Contribution to HCFB!

Here's a message from Troutman Pepper's attorney Michael Jordan about why they chose to support Henrico Community Food Bank.

I suggested (HCFB) because of its mission to provide access to nutritious food in an equitable and dignified manner to our neighbors in need. Food insecurity poses a significant issue for many families in Virginia. Indeed, the Commonwealth's food insecurity rate in 2021 stood at 8.1%, meaning that over 704,000 fellow Virginians have had to worry where their next meal would come from on any given day.

The Henrico Community Food Bank utilizes a unique mobile food distribution model that brings the food directly to those who need it, thus removing the transportation and timing barriers of a traditional food bank. Our support will help the organization in its efforts to feed more than 30,000 food insecure residents in the Henrico area.



Do you have matching gifts program at work? You can support HCFB with a matching gift! Check with your HR department to learn more.

We had a very successful Youth Corps Work Day!



Many hands make light work! HCFB's Youth Corps families came out in full force a Saturday in October to plan out their projects for the next 6 months, sort donations and help with the Fall pantry re-set.

No workday is complete with the mandatory pizza and volleyball onsite! Do you have a young one who wants to join this fabulous team? Reach out to us at hcfbyouthcorps@gmail.com or call us at 804.616.8534 for more information.



We're Hiring! Join the HCFB Team

Visit the webpage below for full job description and information on how to apply!

Operations Coordinator (Part-time)

HCFB is looking for a candidate who is mature, reliable, trustworthy and committed to ensuring smooth execution of daily operations at an emerging non-profit. This position will be primarily responsible for client intake and related administrative tasks. The position is cross trained in volunteer coordination, packing, driver dispatch, and will be required to assist with 2 route deliveries a week during the assigned hours of 8am-Noon, Monday- Friday. 1 Saturday a month required.

Essentials

- Mature, reliable, trustworthy and committed individual with a willingness to listen and learn and offer suggestions.
- Manage client intake and related administrative tasks like confirmations and reminders.
- Able to use a reliable personal vehicle or company vehicle on the job as needed. A clean driving record required.
- Able to lift and move up to 35-40 pound bags of groceries.
- Coordinate, train and schedule volunteers and in their absence build bags both shelf stable and perishable for dispatch.
- Willingly lend a hand with operational needs and get hands dirty while unloading trucks, hauling trash, helping in the garden, cleaning fridges etc.
- Excellent time management skills

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Delivery Driver (Part-time)

HCFB is looking for a motivated, energetic individual who is passionate about HCFB's mission to delivering shelf stable and perishable food to Henrico households in need of food assistance, Monday-Friday. We'd love to talk to you if you:

- Are reliable, trustworthy and committed individual.
- Have a clean driving record to deliver in the company vehicle.
- Can work in a fast-paced environment with excellent time management skills.
- Can lift and move up to 35-45 pound bags of groceries.

A Very Big Thank You to Our Amazing Grant Contributors!

We are so very grateful to our incredible foundation and corporate funders who see our impact in the community and take the leap of faith to support the work of Henrico's Food Bank and allow us to grow our impact. We are so grateful for your support and we couldn't do it without you! A heartfelt thank you goes out to:

- Whole Foods Market Foundation
- Herndon Foundation
- Rosendin Foundation

The Holidays are Just Around the Corner! Give the Gift of Food This Holiday Season!

There are so many ways to give this holiday season and in the new year!

Money!

Make a donation of \$30 or more in recognition of the 30,000 Henrico County residents who are experiencing food insecurity.

Events!

In lieu of a hostess gift, ask your holiday party guests to bring a food or monetary contribution for Henrico Community Food Bank!

Talents

Are you good with numbers, the social butterfly or a social media genius? Join one of our committees, or help us with outreach. You can connect us with your workplace, your professional network, and friends and help us grow our family. Be an HCFB ambassador!

Food!

Use the link below to see our list of most needed items.

A Humbled Thank You to Our Donors

We are so grateful for your contribution!

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