



September, 2022

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ANNUAL PANCAKE BRUNCH FUNDRAISER

Yes, it's back for another year! Operation Blessing will hold its annual Pancake Brunch on:

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29th

8am to 1pm

Moraine Valley Church

6300 127th St., Palos Heights

Join us for "all you can eat" pancakes, sausage, fruit, juice, and coffee. Our very popular Bake Sale will also be back! Bring your friends and family, enjoy some time together, and help support the work of Operation Blessing. Our flier is on the back for you to copy and help get the word out. We hope to see you there!

Together We Are Greater

The cost of living is soaring, leaving many families struggling to afford nutritious food. Too many of our neighbors are now at risk of hunger. But we have HOPE because of friends like you who support us. We thank you for being a leader in this critically important work. To increase the impact that you have already had, please consider giving again today. Your partnership in the work we do, spreading the Gospel and distributing food to those in need is truly inspiring and greatly appreciated. May God bless you and keep you.

Save the Date

The 18th Annual Miracle on 127th Street will be held on Sunday, November 20th. More information coming soon.

New Nutrition Website Launch

To expand our resources for our clients, the Food Depository has launched a new nutrition website. It features instructional videos on how to prepare fresh produce using different cooking techniques, healthy recipes, and detailed ingredient information. There is also an advanced search function that allows users to find recipes with ingredients found at home or from us. Check out the site at: chicagofoodbank.org/nutrition or bancodealimentoschicago.org/nutrition

Food Safety Resources

We take every precaution to ensure that the food we distribute to our clients is wholesome and safe to eat. We monitor our inventory and dispose of products that might present a hazard, and continue to get food recall notifications as soon as they come out. Most of the dates on the food we distribute are not expiration dates, but "best if used by" or production dates. The product is wholesome beyond the date on the product. Most foods are given these dates based on quality, as opposed to food safety concerns. These foods can be safely distributed and eaten past the given date. Get more information here: <https://www.foodsafety.gov/keep-food-safe/foodkeeper-app>

August Statistics

Heads of Households	642
Individuals	2112
Professions of Faith	0
New clients	105
Prayed with	488

Terry Wuethrich, President; Hank Frickenstein, Vice President; Mike Will, Secretary; Marsha Jakobi, Treasurer; Barry Zalane, Board Member at Large; Donald Cyze Director at Large; Brian Cottrell, Operations Manager

Annual Pancake Brunch



To benefit

Operation Blessing
Of
Southwest Chicagoland



Saturday, Oct 29, 2022
8 am—1pm

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6300 West 127th ST.
Palos Height, IL.



Bake Sale too!

**Suggested donation:
\$8.00 per person—\$15.00 per
family**



A tradition for 38 years!