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Joanie, your generous gift of \$48 provides access to nourishing food for Wyoming neighbors experiencing hunger this holiday season.

Wherever hunger rises, so can we.

Dear Joanie,

With Thanksgiving just a short time away, I find myself reflecting on the deep gratitude I feel for our community—the friends and neighbors who look out for each other.

Like you, Joanie. You genuinely care.

As I look forward to gathering with my loved ones, I can't help but think about <u>the special bond that happens when we share a meal</u>. It's a time to be together and set aside our worries, even for just a bit.

We've all been feeling the impact of high prices. The skyrocketing costs for necessities like housing, gas, and groceries are taking a toll on all of us.

As a result, even more people are turning to Food Bank of Wyoming for assistance to stretch their budgets. Thousands of neighbors, like Sheree who visits our Buffalo Monthly Mobile Pantry, are facing difficult choices.

"Our budget is tight. Sometimes we have to choose between prescriptions and food. So this is a life-saving gift for us."

Times are tough. And food is such a basic need for all of us, but it's not as accessible to some as to others. You can help provide our community members who are facing hardship the food they need to thrive.

Joanie, with a gift of \$48, you'll provide enough food for 16 nourishing meals for someone experiencing hunger right here in Wyoming. Or \$72 will provide enough food for 24 nourishing meals, and remove the burden of hunger just in time for the holiday season.







Your gift today helps strengthen our community partnerships and meet even more people however and wherever they need us. Last year, items with damaged packaging or other minor defects not affecting the products' integrity were saved from waste at local retailers by our Grocery Rescue program. Almost of half of food distributed last year was rescued.

Innovative initiatives, like Totes of Hope®, give thousands of kids access to fresh, nutritious food. And our Culturally Responsive Food Initiative pays special attention to the specific food preferences of clients so they can receive ingredients to make their favorite family recipes.

Thanks to your support, we're not just providing food. We're nourishing neighbors across Wyoming with food that they will enjoy—and that helps them live well.

Any one of us could find ourselves needing help if our lives took a sudden turn. But by working together to remove the burden of hunger, we can lift each other up. "If they didn't do this, we probably wouldn't have anything for Thanksgiving."

Cindy E. Thornton resident

Together, we can answer the challenge of hunger.

Let's put the power of community to work this holiday season and make it a Thanksgiving for all

Gratefully.

Rachel Bailey Executive Director

- P.S. Joanie, please give today to help provide fresh, nourishing food like fruits, vegetables, protein, and dairy to Wyoming neighbors experiencing hunger. Thank you!
- P.P.S. Please sign and return the enclosed note for a neighbor along with your gift. And I hope you enjoy sharing this delicious recipe with the friends and family around your table.



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