

Branford Food Resources

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For information about SNAP, WIC and other state- and federally-funded assistance programs, please contact your town's office of Social Services or call W&FLC to speak to a Referral Navigator.

Name: Agency on Aging, South Central Office: Grocery Shopping Program		<i>Se Habla Español</i>
Physical address: 117 Washington Ave Ste 17, North Haven, CT 06437		
Who:	Eligible residents of East Haven, North Haven, North Branford, Northford, Branford and Guilford. The client must meet these criteria: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Be a senior 2. Have a monthly income of \$1,500 or less 3. Be homebound 	
What:	A <u>one-time</u> resource of \$100 of free groceries & delivery. Volunteers do the shopping for clients.	
When & where:	Once registered, the client would provide the grocery list to the office which would handle the shopping and delivery between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on a weekday	
How:	Registration required: Contact for a required phone interview and form, c/o Tom Davis at tDavis@aoascc.org	
Phone:	(203) 785-8533	
E-mail:	info@aoascc.org	
Website:	https://www.aoascc.org/	

Name: Branford Food Pantry (BFP) (Food Pantry)	
Physical address: 30 Harrison Avenue, Branford	
Who:	All Branford residents: Residents will be asked to complete a registration form that requires confirmation of your Branford address (via a current utility bill, etc.).
What:	Registered families pick up groceries once weekly. All grocery pickup is done on a no-contact basis and bags are provided.
When & Where:	Pick up times are Tuesdays 8:30-10:45 am; or Fridays 9:00 to 11:15 a.m. 30 Harrison Avenue, Branford (same building as CDR and BHcare Clothing Bank).
More info: #1	Groceries can be delivered for home bound clients. Please call to arrange at 203-315-8251. Clients in need of emergency food, can call the Food Pantry Emergency Grocery Deliveries hotline: (203) 315-8251 or email branfordfoodpantry30@gmail.com for information about signing up. Christmas time Holiday Basket for Branford Residents: Be sure to reserve between December 1 – 18 for pick up on December 22 @ (203) 315-8251
Phone:	Hot line is (203) 315-8251; Office is (203) 481-3663
Facebook:	https://www.facebook.com/Branford-Food-Pantry-Inc-557504234411091/
Website:	http://www.branfordfoodpantry.org/

Name: Branford Public Schools	
Who:	All children under the age of 18 through the end of the 2020-2021 school year. Note: Children do not need to reside in Branford
What:	Free breakfast and lunch meals
How:	For children not in the school buildings meals can be accessed at the remote learning pickup site at Branford High School.
When/where:	Branford High School, 185 East Main Street, Branford, CT 06405. Drive around the school to a location well marked for food pick up.
Website:	https://www.branford.k12.ct.us/
Contact:	Food services office – (203) 315-6741

NAME: Branford Counseling & Community Services	
Physical address: 342 Harbor St., Branford, CT 06405	
Who:	Branford Residents
What:	Branford Social Services – Emergency Food aid - The BCCS assists qualified individuals and families with aid according to the Basic Needs Program <u>ALSO:</u> Limited food support: “HELP OUT - TAKE OUT” program. purchases gift cards from local restaurants and distributes them to Branford residents who have lost jobs, cannot work, or have had their hours reduced as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic
When/where:	Help and/or gift cards for local restaurants to be used as needed/desired
How:	Interested residents are asked to complete and application form - https://www.branford-ct.gov/form/help-out-take-out-form .
Contact:	Branford Counseling & Community Services, (203) 481-4248 , or , for the “HELP OUT – TAKE OUT” program visit BranfordRotary.org .
Facebook:	https://www.facebook.com/BranfordCounseling/
Website:	https://www.branford-ct.gov/departments/counseling-center/branford-social-services and https://www.branford-ct.gov/departments/counseling-center/covid19

NAME: Community Dining Room		<i>Se Habla Español</i>
Physical Address: 30 Harrison Avenue, Branford, CT		
Who:	All Shoreline Residents from East Haven to Old Saybrook including the towns of East Haven, Branford, North Branford, Guilford, Madison, Clinton, Westbrook, and Old Saybrook. All ages, no proof of income needed.	
What:	Free take-out meals and a home delivery program	
When/where:	Take-out meals - 30 Harrison Avenue, Branford - at the following times: Lunches and Saturday Brunch: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunday-Friday: 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM • Saturday: 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM • Note Christmas Day, December 25 – The lunch will be special and extended for ½ hour – 12 to 1:30 P.M. Evening Meals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tuesday Family Night Meal /"Kid's Night": 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM • Wednesday & Friday Take-Out dinner by reservation: Call ahead to 203 488-9750: Pick up 1:00-3:00 pm 	
Home delivery program: for Branford and North Branford residents:	For Home delivery program: Call (203) 488-9750, ext. 3 to inquire and discuss re referrals and intake assessments. For Branford, deliveries are 3 days a week on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays: one hot meal and one frozen meal. For North Branford, deliveries are on Wednesdays: one hot and one frozen meal.	
Phone:	(203) 488-9750	
E-mail:	info@communitydiningroom.org	
Facebook:	https://www.facebook.com/CommunityDiningRoom06405/	
Website:	https://communitydiningroom.org/about/	
BONUS SUPPORT:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CDR provides Free Children's Books from 'Read to Grow' • Free table of non-perishable items available for anyone in need • Diaper Bank – 2nd Tuesday of the month. Registration required at Branford Early Learning Center – (203) 488-4512 	

Name:	The CT Food Bank Mobile Pantry, a program of the Connecticut Food Bank	<i>Se Habla Español</i>
Physical address:	CT Food Bank head office is at 2 Research Parkway, Wallingford, CT.	
Who:	CT Residents. Residents from any town may go to any mobile food pantry. The closest pantries for Branford residents are generally held in Clinton, East Haven and Hamden	
What:	Pre-packed food. Drive thru or take-away groceries in pre-packed bags.	
When/where:	<p>Clinton: First Fridays of each month at 9:30am Clinton Town Hall Annex, 48 E Main St, Clinton, CT 06413, USA</p> <p>The Mobil Food Pantry also stops at least once a month in East Haven and Hamden. Be sure to check the web site (listed below) for the monthly schedules</p>	
How:	<i>Be sure to check the website to see where the pantry is operating in the state. Go to:</i> https://www.ctfoodbank.org/get-help/connecticut-food-banks-mobile-pantry-schedule/	
More info:	The distribution is a drive through pickup system, and participants must be able to get groceries into their own vehicles without assistance for everyone's safety. If that is not possible, the pantry directors request that clients send someone on their behalf or bring a household member for assistance.	
Contact:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food pantry hotline for DAILY information: 203-741-9751 or 211 for the State schedule; • For WEEKLY information – go to the website which is updated on Friday afternoons (noted below) • For special accommodations or questions, please call at (860)669-7347 • Wallingford Main Office: (203) 469-5000 	
E-mail:	cfb@ctfoodbank.org	
Facebook:	https://www.facebook.com/CTFoodBank/	
Website:	http://www.ctfoodbank.org/get-help/Connecticut-food-banks-mobile-pantry-schedule/	

Name: Farmers to Family Food Boxes	
Who:	Branford Residents
What:	Perishable food: Each box contains 12 lbs. of fresh produce, 5 lbs. of packaged meat, 5 lbs. dairy products and 1 gallon of milk
When & where:	Distribution is on the 'First come, first served' basis 12/04 – Community Distribution (Branford Community House Parking Lot enter from Prospect Street): 10 – 11:30 a.m. 12/11 – Senior Housing Complexes (Seniors only, already registered) 12/18 – Community Distribution (Branford Community House Parking Lot enter from Prospect Street): 10 – 11:30 a.m.
How:	Every other week is for open distribution
Phone:	(203) 488-5404
Facebook:	https://www.facebook.com/595988293871640
Website:	Coordinated through the Town Hall and Senior Center – See https://www.branford-ct.gov/departments/senior-center

Name: Feed Branford Kids	
Who:	All Branford children ages 1-18.
What:	“Pick up” Meals for children ages 1-18.
When & where:	Mondays 3:00-5:00 PM at Trinity Episcopal Church on the Branford Green, and Thursdays 5:00-7:00 PM at the Feed Branford Kids Warehouse, 21 Business Park Drive, Branford.
How:	No proof of income required. Just stop by to pick-up food.
Facebook:	https://www.facebook.com/feedbranfordkids/
Website:	https://feedbranfordkids.net

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