



Partner Agency Newsletter

September 2016

Spotlight: Hunger Action Month



September is national Hunger Action Month. It's a time for shining a spotlight on the issue of hunger and encouraging individuals to take action. While the Food Bank always needs food and monetary donations, we're asking for a different kind of support during Hunger Action Month this election year.

Almost 70 percent of people making incomes under \$30,000 a year do not vote. We know that our vote is our voice. By not participating in the political process, our clients have much less of a voice in important decisions that affect them in Congress and the Legislature. Decisions made in DC and Austin can affect how much food we have to distribute, who can access public assistance programs, and how we administer child nutrition programs.

The Food Bank is committed to improving this situation by registering more of our clients and asking them to vote. We encourage everyone to be informed, understand where the candidates are on issues, and then show up on Election Day. As a 501(c)(3), the food bank cannot participate in any partisan activities or endorse any candidates. We can, however, conduct voter registration and outreach.

Several Food Bank staff members are being certified as registrars so they can visit partner agencies and mobile pantries to assist clients with the registration process. There will be posters and voter registration cards being sent out on orders so that partners can assist clients as well.

For more information, www.centraltexasfoodbank/ham2016

Current News: Closures 9/5, 9/27, 9/28, 9/29, 9/30

If you normally pick up or receive deliveries on these days, either order extra food the week prior or contact Michelle ASAP at (512) 684-2150 or mwhite@centraltexasfoodbank.org to schedule an alternate pick up day at Central Texas Food Bank. Pick-up dates and times are subject to availability. Regional deliveries will not be rescheduled, but agencies who usually receive deliveries may schedule a pick up at Central Texas Food Bank as our schedule permits.

Labor Day: September 5

- This closure will affect ordering deadlines for ALL agencies who wish to pick up or receive delivery on Tuesday, September 6 and Wednesday, September 7.

Pick-up or delivery on:	Order is due on:	By:
Tuesday, September 6	Thursday, September 1	9:00 a.m.
Wednesday, September 7	Friday, September 2	9:00 am.

Annual Inventory: September 27, 28, 29 & 30

- There will ONLY be regional deliveries on Tuesday September 27. There will be no deliveries, pick-ups, or shop-for the rest of the week. Deliveries, pick-ups and shop-for will resume on Monday, October 3. This closure will not affect the ordering deadlines for agencies.

Submit Monthly Reports

Monthly Reports for August are due September 1st, but will be accepted until September 15th. Submit your reports at <https://www.centraltexasfoodbank.org/agency-reporting> to avoid being put on hold.

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