

Food and Fund Drive DO'S and DON'TS

Please DO:

- If possible, encourage monetary donations so that the Pantry can purchase
 fresh food and buy what we need when we need it. Go to our Tool Kit and
 download a flier template to promote your drive and help explain how
 donations are used.
- Check all dates. We cannot accept expired food.
- **Donate only nonperishable food items.** (canned, boxed, etc.)
- **Give only standard size vs. big box items.** These are easier to distribute to families of all sizes and store on our shelves.
- Check our <u>Current Needs List</u> for items that are most needed by the Pantry. If there are products that are more urgently needed at the time of your drive, our pantry manager will let you know.

Please DON'T:

- **Donate open containers of food or product.** All food must be factory sealed.
- Donate household items such as dishes, clothing, furniture, etc. We can only accept food, personal care items or household cleaners.
- Donate products that have already been opened, such as antiperspirant, shampoo, detergent, etc.
- **Donate dirty containers** of food or product.
- Donate alcohol/tobacco or related products.
- Donate small pods for different manufacture coffee makers. Most of our clients have regular percolators.
- Give medicines or vitamins of any kind, including over-the-counter.

Good luck with your drive, and thank you for your support of the Pantry!