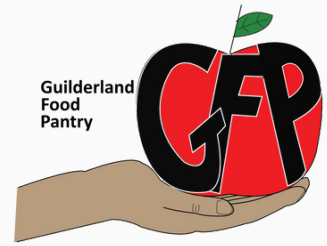


Guilderland Food Pantry

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New York State Grant Received

A huge thank you to Assemblymember Phil Steck, Guilderland Supervisor Peter Barber, and their team for presenting us with a state grant! This funding will help the pantry expand its School Backpack Program, provide holiday meal packages, and keep shelves stocked.



Annual Thanksgiving Basket Distribution

The Pantry's annual Thanksgiving basket distribution was a huge success. We handed out 210 baskets of food and a pile of turkeys! Many thanks to the YMCA crew and all the volunteers who helped out.



Volunteer Spotlight Barb Catlin



Barb served in the pantry for 25 years! She always had a smile, a kind word and gave families encouragement and hope. Barb helped with holiday meals, special events, packing bags for families and any other task that needed to be done.

She is the true spirit of 'neighbors helping neighbors'.

Best of luck in your retirement, Barb!

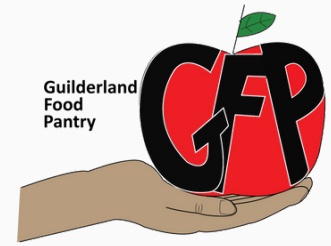
We are currently in need of the following items:

- Rice (1 lb. bags)
- Juice (plastic bottles)
- Peanut Butter (plastic jars)
- Instant Mashed Potatoes (boxes)

Donations can be dropped off at the pantry during regular hours (Mon - Sat, 9:30am - 11am) or left in the collection bin located outside the pantry.

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FMS & Phillips Hardware - Cereal Domino Challenge

Once again this year, the Farnsworth Middle School community participated in a “Cereal Domino Challenge”. 1,367 boxes of cereal were collected for this awesome and fun event.



Afterwards, Jon Phillips and his crew at Phillips Hardware gathered up all of the cereal boxes and delivered them to the Pantry. Thank you to all who made this donation possible!



Other News

We've been busy setting records!

- The number of families served monthly increased to over 250. Our average is 210.
- The amount of donated food we received from the community increased by over 10,000 pounds.

We were awarded a grant from the Tippy-Tag Fund of The Community Foundation for the Greater Capital Region in honor of long time resident Bryant Empie.

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BRING US YOUR EMPTIES!

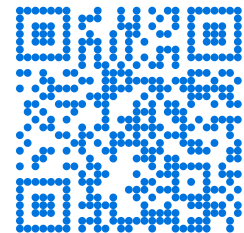


We've collected more than
39,607
bottles and cans!

There are two ways to donate your empty bottles and cans:

1. Drop off your bottles/cans at the pantry, OR
2. If you have a CLYNK account, you can accumulate funds in your personal CLYNK account. When you're ready to donate, log in to your account and visit the “Donations” tab. Under “Donate Part or All of Your Balance”, search for Guilderland Food Pantry and click on our name. Then choose how much you'd like to donate. So easy!

All proceeds from returned bottles and cans are used to support GFP programs.



Monetary donations are welcome!

Go to guilderlandfoodpantry.com/#donate or scan the Venmo QR code.