Guilderland Food Pantry

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Community Thank You's

The Guilderland Food Pantry's annual **Fall FUNdraiser** was held Thursday, September 17 and was a huge success! Our sincere gratitude goes out to Christ the King Church for sharing their gymnasium with us, to our incredibly generous sponsors, and to the entire Guilderland community. Together, you all helped make this fantastic, FUN event a reality!











Volunteer Spotlight

Events Team



Behind every successful fundraiser and every holiday basket prepared, there is a dedicated team that plans, coordinates, and executes it all. The countless hours that are required to make these events run smoothly is truly inspiring!

Thank you to our incredible
Events Team - Amanda and Natalie
(pictured with Mac)

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What's Going On

In September, we introduced our **new website design**! This brand-new design and improved platform will allow us to better serve the community and make it easier to highlight upcoming events and important news. www.guilderlandfoodpantry.com

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We will be participating in **Stuyvesant Plaza's "Light the Plaza"** again this year. Join us on **November 21** for the holiday kickoff and tree lighting celebration. Stop by and say hello to our volunteers who will be there collecting food and monetary donations.

Farnsworth Middle School will host their annual **"Cereal Domino Challenge"** in December. Last year, over 1,300 boxes of cereal were collected and donated to our pantry!

Spread the word! **Bring us your empty NYS deposit bottles and cans.** In October, we collected 4,010 bottles / cans for a grand total of 68,636 collected since 2023.

Once again this year, 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.

Please consider supporting our Guilderland Food Pantry

Credit Card QR code

Venmo QR code

October Community Support Drives

- Verant Wealth sponsored a "Shred Day" that collected 240 lbs. of food
- Westmere Fire House's open house / food drive yielded 573 lbs. of food
- Macy's (Crossgates) made a donation of $1,488 from Register Round-Up event
- ACE Hardware (Guilderland) held Register Round-Up and donated $1,175

The Season of Giving Has Begun!

We are in need of the following items for holiday basket distributions.



Thanksgiving distribution: Nov. 21
Christmas distribution: Dec. 19

We also need paper bags (with handles) and reusable tote bags.
Must be clean and in good condition.

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

Director's Corner: A Note from Mac

As we enter the holiday season let's all be thankful for what we have and remember our friends and neighbors who could use a helping hand. Every can, bag and dollar donated helps provide hope when they need it the most.

Remember: the world is full of nice people. If you can't find one, then be one!