



Frequently Asked Questions

God's Pantry Food Bank Food Drives

FOOD DRIVES

What food items do you accept?

Accepted Donations

- Non-perishable, shelf-stable food items (must include ingredient labels)
- Produce from home gardens
- USDA-approved processed meat (must be labeled)
- Hard-frozen items in original packaging (must be labeled)

Perishable Items

Please contact us at fooddrives@godspantry.org for guidance.

Prepared food, retail, or restaurant donations

- Learn more [here](#) or connect through [Meal Connect](#).

Need Help?

- Contact Shanda Oakley at 859-288-5341 for further assistance.

What food items do you not accept?

- Homemade canned goods
- Items without ingredient lists
- Unsealed packaging
- Damaged cans with spillage or rust
- Expired baby food, OTC medicines, or prescription medications

Will God's Pantry drop off and/or pick up blue barrels for food drives?

Yes, we can drop off and pick up barrels if you need more than 2 barrels or 4 large boxes. Please give us 2 weeks' notice.

How do I get a blue barrel or tote?

[You can register your food drive here!](#) In Fayette County, if you need 1 or less barrels, please pick them up at our **Distribution Center (817 Winchester Road, Lexington, KY 40505)**.

- For more than 2 barrels, indicate this in your registration.

Can you pick up my donations from my house?

No, we are unable to pick up donations from individual residences.

How long should my food drive be?

Most food drives are successfully held for 2-4 weeks, but you can run yours for as long—or as short—as you'd like.

Choose a timeframe that works best for your group and goals.