



Share Food Share Love

We're all neighbors here.



New Volunteer Information

Welcome to Share Food Share Love! We're so grateful that you've chosen to share your time and energy with us. Your commitment to helping our community is what makes our Pantry a place of hope and support for those in need. To ensure a safe, respectful, and efficient environment, we've put together this handout to share our volunteer philosophy as well as important information about volunteering with us. Please take a moment to review it so we can all work together smoothly and effectively. Thank you again for your dedication!

Volunteer Philosophy

At Share Food Share Love, we believe in the power of community and the impact of collective action. This Pantry belongs to all of us and those willing to volunteer their time are at the heart of our mission, working hand in hand to end food insecurity in our region. We expect our volunteers to approach their service with empathy, respect, and dedication, understanding that every action contributes to a larger network of support. In turn, we deeply appreciate the time, energy, and compassion you bring to your service. Your commitment helps us envision and move towards a future where everyone has access to the food and resources they need. Thank you for being an essential part of this mission and for sharing in the vision of a hunger-free future. We are all neighbors here!

What To Expect

Please arrive promptly for the beginning of your volunteer service. When you arrive, please sign in and make a name tag in the Volunteer Room. If it's your first time, please arrive at the time designated when you sign up (6:30 pm on Tuesdays and 9:30 am on Saturdays) and a Pantry Manager or other volunteer leader will give you a tour and an overview of our operation. You will ultimately be assigned a task to do during the shopping session. Once all of the neighbors have completed their shopping, we will all work together to straighten and organize for the next session. If you have any questions or concerns, please find a Pantry Manager or volunteer leader.

Volunteer Information:

- All volunteers under the age of 14 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian during their entire service.
- All volunteers between the ages of 14 and 18 and who are not accompanied by a parent or guardian during their service are required to have a parental consent form on file.

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- All volunteers are required to register on our website in advance of their service. This ensures we can effectively plan and organize our shopping session, helping us meet the needs of our neighbors effectively and efficiently.
- Volunteers should dress comfortably with consideration for the current weather conditions. Closed-toed shoes are strongly encouraged for safety reasons.
- Our Volunteer Room has lockers for your belongings as well as a coat rack. In the Volunteer Room, you will make a name tag indicating your first name. This is done to create a friendly atmosphere and to assist in establishing a rapport with our neighbors.
- Parking is available in the commuter spots along the railroad tracks east of the pantry. Please park your car to the east of Sunnyside Avenue so that our neighbors can park in the spots closest to the pantry. See the map below.



Court-Ordered and Other Required Service Hours

Court-Ordered Service: We welcome those who need to complete these service hours. On their first day at the Pantry, individuals who need to complete court-ordered service should see the Administrative Director to make the necessary arrangements to ensure that service hours are properly recorded.

Service Hours: We welcome individuals who are volunteering for school, community organization or other service-hour requirements. If you require a signature or other verification of your service, please see a Pantry Manager or the Administrative Director in the Pantry Office for assistance.

Thank you for being an essential part of our mission to serve the community! We look forward to working alongside you!

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