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Agency Scoop, Arkansas Foodbank Member Newsletter, is your inside scoop for exclusive dates, information and stories from Arkansas Foodbank members. Distributed monthly, this is our primary contact to distribute information that applies specifically to our members.

2020 SUMMER CEREAL DRIVE SOCIAL DISTANCING EDITION

We kicked off the 20th Anniversary of the THV11 Summer Cereal Drive “Social Distance Edition” on June 10 in the Arkansas Foodbank parking lot. We hosted “Snap Crackle & Pop Your Trunk” drive-thru donation drop off to kick off the drive. SCD teams and the general public dropped off



cereal to help feed kids and families this summer and throughout the year. This year’s drive looks a little different. There won’t be community sites with THV11 this year due to social distancing guidelines. Much of the SCD has gone virtual as our teams are having to raise funds online rather than collecting cereal boxes. These monetary donations will be used to purchase cereal for your pantries throughout the year. We’ve also established a partnership with Harps, Kroger, Walmart and Super 1 Food Stores. These stores throughout Pulaski, Saline, Faulkner, Jefferson, Garland and Lonoke counties will have totes at the front of their stores to collect donations from the community. We are doing our best to collect as much cereal as we can to help provide the necessary breakfast food items for your clients.



We may be in touch with a few of our member pantries in the six communities listed above to do stories with THV11. These stories will highlight the work the pantries are doing and how the SCD helps your organization receive cereal to distribute throughout the year. For more information on Summer Cereal Drive visit <https://arkansasfoodbank.org/how-can-i-help-2/events/summer-cereal-drive-arkansas-foodbank/>. We hope you will join us and watch THV11 through July 24th as we highlight the work that you are doing in the communities and help us spread the word to donate cereal.

Please feel free to contact us at 501-565-8121 if you have questions.

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Keep up the great work – and remember to send us your pantry/agency stories.

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FEMA'S CRISIS COUNSELING ASSISTANCE & TRAINING PROGRAM

Project PPE, Promoting Positive Emotions, is the free mental health response to Covid-19.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency funds project PPE to offer free crisis counseling across the state of

Arkansas. Project PPE accept clients with or without insurance. We offer counseling over the phone, Zoom, FaceTime, and in-person. Project PPE partners with churches and non-profits to make sure all of our clients' essential needs are met, such as access to food, clothing, and housing. If you live in Saline or Pulaski County, call **501.355.7764** to set up an appointment and learn more about our project. *Flyer attached to the email.*



4th of July Holiday Hours

This year, the Arkansas Foodbank will be closed on Thursday July 2nd and Friday 3rd in observance of the 4th of July holiday.



All agency orders that are for delivery or pickup on Monday, July 6, 2020 must be completed and submitted in Agency Express no later than **8:00 AM on Tuesday, June 30, 2020.**

All agency orders that are for delivery or pickup on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 must be completed and submitted in Agency Express no later than **8:00 AM on Wednesday, July 1, 2020**, (*this includes all Warren orders*).

If you have any questions please contact Beth directly at **501-569-4308**.

2020 WARREN DELIVERY SCHEDULE

June 23, 30

July 7, 14, 21, 28

August 4, 11, 18, 25

September 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

October 6, 13, 20, 27

November 3, 10, 17, 24

Entergy

Entergy Arkansas is looking for agencies interested in partnering on regular distributions of energy efficiency products, such as LED light bulbs, as part of their Entergy Solutions Point of Purchase program. Products will be delivered along with regular food distributions, and agencies will be required to report quantity distributed on a monthly basis.

Interested agencies should contact Regina Taylor at **501-569-4331** by July 10, 2020.



- 9W LED A-19 OMNI**
- Save 85% on Energy Bills
 - Lasts Almost Forever
 - 60W Equivalent
 - 800 Lumens
 - UL Approved for Fully Enclosed Fixtures



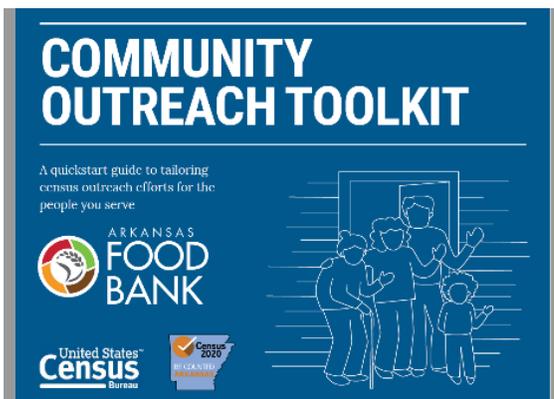
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2020 Census Community Outreach Toolkits are Available!



We have a limited amount of 2020 Census Community Toolkits available. Therefore, requests will be fulfilled on a first come first serve basis (*one toolkit per agency*). To request a 2020 Census Community Toolkit, please contact Erica McFadden at emcfadden@arkansasfoodbank.org. Requests for this toolkit can be made now through July 31.

What this toolkit is and what it's for?

- **To educate** – it's for agencies to share information about the 2020 Census.
- **To engage** – it's a resource to use for support or questions about the 2020 Census.
- **To empower** – as trusted community members, it's to help ensure a fair and accurate the 2020 Census.



Creamy Mixed Fruit Salad

Makes 4 Servings



Ingredients

- 2 can mixed fruit (about 15 ounces each, drained)
- 2 bananas (diced)
- 1 apple (peeled and sliced)
- 1 cup lemon or vanilla low-fat yogurt
- 1 ounce lemon or vanilla instant pudding mix (about 2 tablespoons)

How to prepare

1. Combine mixed fruit, bananas, and apple in a medium bowl.
2. In a small bowl, mix together the yogurt and pudding mix.
3. Spoon yogurt mixture over fruit, stirring until coated.
4. Serve right away or refrigerate until served.

STORY TIME COVID-19

Our Communications Director, Emily Gassman, is working to gather stories of those we have served because of COVID-19. Due to social distancing measures to keep everyone safe she has put together a virtual form that will allow us to capture your stories. Please contact her for more information. If you have any questions or if you have a special event or distribution you'd like Emily to attend, email her at egassman@arkansasfoodbank.org or call at 501-569-4318.

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