



**GREAT PLAINS
FOOD BANK**

Agency Scoop



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Service Insights on MealConnect Lunch and Learn with Janice Tweet

Join us on Tuesday, October 24 at 11:30am CST for our October Lunch and Learn when we will focus on Service Insights on MealConnect, our electronic client intake database. Janice Tweet will highlight the benefits of using the system, and we will hear from partners about how the system has helped their food pantry operations. This event will also provide an opportunity to ask questions about the platform and the process for getting started with electronic intake. A meeting link will be sent separately.

OCTOBER MOBILE FOOD PANTRY STOPS

Please remember to add your mobile food pantry statistics when submitting for your food pantry at the end of the month!

[View Upcoming Mobile Stop Details Here](#)

October 4 | Rugby

October 5 | Dunseith, Belcourt, Rolette

October 12 | Carrington, Linton, Steele

October 17 | St. John, Pembina, Park River, Emerado

October 19 | Valley City, Jamestown

October 24 | Hettinger, Bowman

October 25 | Dickinson, Richardton, New Salem



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Product HIGHLIGHTS

#81122 - Disinfectant Wipes

#71885 - Non-Alcoholic Ginger Beer

#39991 - Creative Roots Coconut Watermelon Drink

#48721 - White Hominy

#61077 - Margarita Mix

ND and MN USDA product will vary each month. Agencies that are TEFAP approved have access to these items. If you do not currently receive USDA product, inquire with Nicole or Kayla about how you can!

*Your location must be open to the public.

Reminder that LFPA product is available to all North Dakota pantries at zero cost and can be found intermittently on the order sheet.



RECENT HAPPENINGS



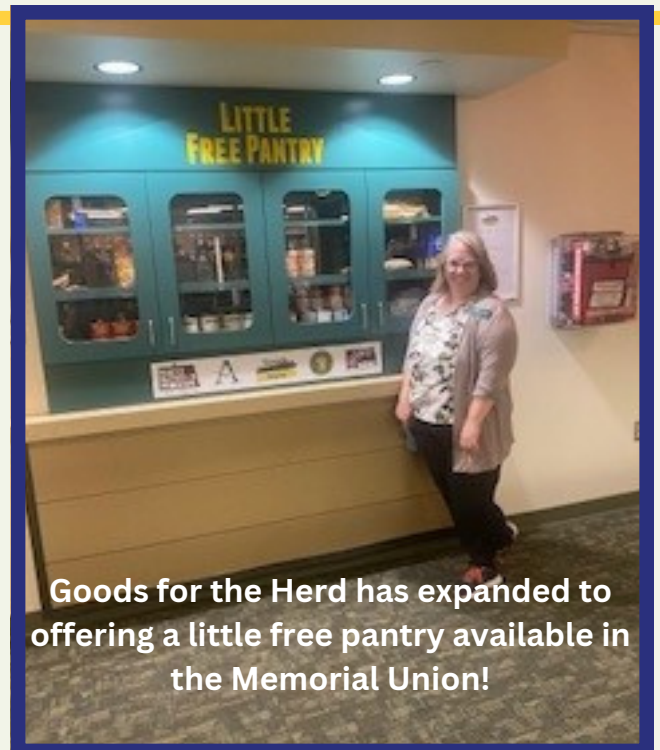
We are so excited to share our first awardees for the Equitable Access Sub Grant! This grant is intended to support the organization in creating more access and services to communities of color and/or in rural locations. Grantees will utilize this funding for new programs and initiatives that directly impact these communities. We were blown away by the proposals and cannot wait to see what they do!

Grantees:

- South Central High School
- REACH-Hawley
- Garrison Area Resource Center
- Turtle Mountain Mikinaak Ode Shelter
- M State Campus Cupboard
- Larimore Food Pantry
- Churches United
- Turtle Mountain Chippewa Food Pantry
- McLean Family Resource Center
- Underwood School Pantry
- Women's Action and Resource Center



Richland Wilkin Food Pantry has expanded their pantry space!



Goods for the Herd has expanded to offering a little free pantry available in the Memorial Union!



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Announcements

Ordering

Great Plains Food Bank is trying to navigate the best way to make the ordering process smooth and equitable. I imagine things will continue to change in the future. The intention for the ordering window is to begin ordering when the window opens, which is currently at midnight or when the clock strikes 12:00AM.

A Heartwarming Story About Milk

Prairie Farms donated a whopping 50,564#’s of milks, cream, half & half, and OJ to the Bismarck Warehouse in September! The largest donation ever received in Bismarck. The team sprang into action and collaborated extensively with our Western Partners to move it quickly. We were able to distribute all of this product with 0% spoilage to Western North Dakota!

Deliveries

You know that call you get the Friday before your order delivery that tells you a day and estimated time to expect your product? Well- sadly the individual who created those routes has flown the nest. We share this in the case we have a few bumpy months ahead as we work on backfilling his position and delegate this very large feat. Thank you!



Culturally Responsive Food Pantries



When: October 10th 1:00-2:00pm
CST

Where: Fargo Public Main
Library- 101 4th St N Fargo ND

Join us October 10th to have an in person training with North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services regarding Culturally Responsive Food Pantries. We will go over what it means to be culturally responsive and how you as a food pantry can support our New American, Immigrant and Refugee community members!

Reminder
for our local
Cass/Clay
partners!

