

Your Help Matters

"After we got groceries from the Food Pantry, we had enough money to get the car fixed and I was able to keep my job." – Father with 3 children

"We moved out from my abusive husband with only the clothes on our backs. We haven't eaten for two days." – Mother with 2 children

"We couldn't pay our Consumer's bill. We used our grocery money to pay the bill so we didn't get a shut-off notice. We'd be cold or hungry without you." - Mother with infant and 2 year old child

"God must really love us a lot because he spoiled us with really good food and, oh yah, I'm really glad about the Kleenex too." - Little girl leaving the Food Pantry

Help Your Neighbors

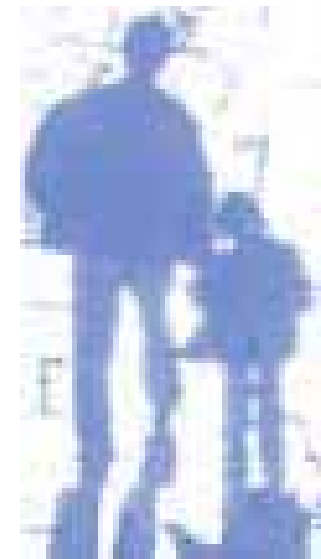
Make your tax deductible contributions of money, personal needs items, and non-perishable food items to the

**Haslett Food Pantry
Haslett Community Church
1427 Haslett Road
Haslett, Michigan 48840**

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"Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food...? ...just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." *Matthew 25:37-40*

Your Neighbors Are Going Hungry



Please Help Them

Haslett Food Pantry
Haslett Community Church

Your Help Is Needed

On average, the Haslett Food Pantry assists 60 families per month. These families are:

- ♥ Primarily from Haslett, Okemos, and East Lansing
- ♥ Mostly single parent households
- ♥ Often not receiving child support payments
- ♥ Frequently employed on at least a part-time basis
- ♥ If not employed, often receiving disability payments or living on fixed incomes

The all-volunteer Food Pantry has been helping such clients of all ages for over 20 years. The need for these services has grown recently due to the reductions in government food surplus distribution and food stamp programs, and the difficult economic times in Michigan. Donations of goods from food businesses have decreased, as they have improved inventory control and tightened loss and damage control.

How to Help

- ♥ Routinely drop-off a bag of groceries and personal needs items
- ♥ Make regular cash donations
- ♥ Organize and/or participate in community food drives
- ♥ Encourage businesses, service clubs, and other groups to make donations of money and food

How Your Help Is Used

- ♥ Cash donations are used to purchase milk vouchers, essential items that are not in inventory, and perishable food items, such as meat and produce.
- ♥ Each client family receives enough food for one week and personal needs items.
- ♥ Clients are referred to other agencies, as appropriate, for obtaining clothing, furniture, and gasoline, preventing utility shut-offs, and preventing housing evictions.

Who Has Helped

Churches

- ♥ Aldersgate United Methodist
- ♥ Eastminster Presbyterian
- ♥ Haslett Community
- ♥ Okemos Presbyterian
- ♥ Red Cedar
- ♥ St. Luke's Lutheran
- ♥ St. Martha's Catholic

Schools

- ♥ Haslett Elementary Schools
- ♥ Haslett Middle School
- ♥ Haslett High School (HHS)
- ♥ Okemos Elementary Schools
- ♥ Okemos Middle Schools
- ♥ Okemos High School
- ♥ Okemos Nursery School
- ♥ HHS TV22

Community Groups and Businesses

- ♥ American Legion Post 269
- ♥ Curves for Women
- ♥ Eastern Star – Okemos
- ♥ Greater Lansing CROP Walk
- ♥ Haslett and Okemos Girl Scouts
- ♥ Haslett and Okemos Boy Scouts
- ♥ Haslett Branch Library Staff
- ♥ Haslett Women's Club
- ♥ L&L Food Centers
- ♥ Meijer Community Rewards Program
- ♥ Meridian Senior Center
- ♥ Quality Dairy Stores
- ♥ Red Cross Food Distribution Center
- ♥ Williamston CROP Walk