

AGENCY NEWSLETTER



Shoutout to Sunnybrook Hope Center!

They have a wonderful walk-thru grocery set up and point system for shopping products. Reach out to Andrea if you have questions on the process!

DIRECTOR'S DESK

As I write this note, I can say 90% Food Bank staff has had their final COVID-19 shot. Siouxland District Health and community schools are opening up these shots to a large section of the public too. There is something jubilant about these facts. COVID-19 is much like hunger in that it can be a silent problem; it is hard to tell if someone is or has experience with either. I cannot speak too much about COVID-19 effects, but I do know hunger. One in seven people have been insecure since March 2020. This is up from one in ten in 2019. Children are hit harder, with one in four children experiencing hunger during the same period. It does not have to be this way, and your agency is there to help. I write and speak with donors about how many pounds leave the Food Bank in a month or year, but it's your agency doing this work. You see families and individuals during their struggle. I feel good about where we have all been, but food assistance is a marathon, not a sprint. Thank you for your continued work in food assistance! We are better together, and I know we truly help those in need.

- Jacob Wanderscheid



MILK

We may have lost our donation of fresh milk, but we have TONS of 8oz. 2% Shelf-Stable Milk available! It is a great substitute. Please continue placing on your orders.

Farm to Families

Each week through the month of May, we will receive limited farm to families boxes. These are open for agencies to take off the shelf, but please only take what you need. We hope that multiple pantries can benefit from these wonderful boxes! Here are the contents per box:

Potato 3#	Cottage Cheese 16oz.
Onion 3#	Yogurt 32 oz.
Apple 3#	Butter 1#
Oranges 3#	Hot Dogs 1#
Swiss Block 1#	Chicken Drumstick 4#

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Featured Product: Cannellini Beans

Summer White Bean Salad

INGREDIENTS:

- 2 cans cannellini (white) beans, drained and rinsed well
- 1 cucumber, diced
- 10 oz. cherry tomatoes, halved
- 4 green onions, chopped
- 1 cup chopped fresh parsley
- 15 to 20 mint leaves, chopped
- 1 lemon, zested and juiced
- Salt and pepper
- Choice of spices (oregano, cumin, red pepper flakes)
- Extra virgin olive oil
- Feta cheese, optional

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Add white beans, cucumbers, tomatoes, green onions, parsley and mint to a large mixing bowl.
1. Add lemon zest. Season with salt and pepper, then add spice choice.
2. Finish with lemon juice and a generous drizzle of extra virgin olive oil (2 to 3 tablespoons).
3. Give the salad a good toss to combine. Taste and adjust seasoning.
4. Add feta cheese, if you like. (For best flavor, let the salad sit in the dressing for 30 minutes before serving).



TOTAL TIME: 15 MINUTES
SERVES 4 OR MORE

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RETURN TO CLIENT CHOICE DISTRIBUTION

The Food Bank of Siouxland supports the decision of each agency to stay with drive-thru or move their distribution back inside for choice pantry. If your volunteers and clients are comfortable in the coming months, it may be helpful as you go back to separating USDA products and filling out TEFAP paperwork. There is no pressure! You may continue drive-thru if that works best for your pantry. Keep Andrea posted.

Produce Pounds

If you would like fresh produce added to your order, please include this request in the notes section. To make it easier on our warehouse staff, please include a general lbs. (#) total so we don't bring too much or too little!



Please include your agency number on checks, not invoice number!

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Office hours are 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Orders must be placed by 12:00 p.m. (Noon) or it will be considered "received" on the following business day (i.e. Order Monday at Noon for Wednesday).

Warehouse hours are 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Agencies may pick up orders during warehouse hours only.