

HELP END HUNGER IN FLORENCE

1,006 POUNDS OF FOOD RAISED BY THESE BUSINESSES FIGHTING HUNGER IN FLORENCE!
THANK YOU!

Oregon Pacific Bank - 299lbs
 Divine Decadence - 299lbs
 The Glass Stash - 79lbs

Alice Brauer Christian Preschool - 79lbs
 Sun Coast Bookkeeping - 50lbs
 Swanson Pets Management - 50lbs

Florence Janitorial - 50lbs
 Neil's Carpet Cleaning - 50lbs
 County Transfer - 50lbs



Florence Food Share Facts

Who we are and What we do:

The mission of Florence Food Share is to alleviate hunger in Western Lane County, and we do this by distributing emergency food boxes to those in need. Our 250 square mile service area includes approximately 10,000 residents, of which an average of 1,750 individuals per month are Food Share clients. What this equates to is distributing close to 50,000 pounds of food each month.

30% of our clients are under the age of 18 and 36% of our clients are seniors, many of whom are on a fixed income.

Food Share has a very small staff, and an all volunteer board that works many hours each month on behalf of Food Share. We also are blessed to have the help of 125 volunteers, who in 2014 contributed over 11,000 hours of their time to help our organization.

One of the highlights of our food pantry is our 15,000 square foot (non-certified) organic garden, with 52 raised vegetable beds and 2 High Tunnel greenhouses. It is now affectionately called Food Share Farm, as it is much more than a garden. From our little mini-farm, we distributed close to 10,000 pounds of vegetables to our clients in 2014.

What we Need:

Approximately 40% of the food we distribute is purchased from our county food bank in Eugene, Food for Lane County. Because we are able to purchase food from them at a deep discount, we are able to access and distribute 65 pounds of food for every dollar donation we receive. For this reason, it is much better for us to receive cash instead of canned food.

Having said that, there are a few things that FFLC does not usually offer. These are: Canned Tuna, Chili, Beef Stew, Peanut Butter, Hamburger Helper, Mac-n-Cheese, Baby and Adult Diapers, Coffee, Sugar and Flour.

There are several ways anyone can help Food Share, which cost nothing. One program is called the Amazon Smile program. Through a program that Amazon.com has set up, a portion of every purchase you make goes directly to Food Share, at no cost to you. Go to www.smile.amazon.com

Another program that sends a portion of your purchase directly to Food Share, is the Fred Meyer Community Rewards Program. At no cost to you, a portion of your purchase is donated to Food Share. Go to: <https://www.fredmeyer.com/topic/community-rewards-4>

Finally, eBay is currently holding a contest. Similar to "liking" something or someone on Facebook, if you go to ebay.com/mfc and "Favorite" Florence Food Share, you will be entered to win \$2,500 and we will be entered to win \$25,000. There is no cost, and a possible wonderful holiday gift to you!

WISHING EVERYONE A VERY HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON!!!

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