



Off the Shelf

Fall 2025



Smiles and bubbles at the Foodbank's Kids' Market—right here at the Foodbank, where fun and food come together.



Pam Molitoris
Executive Director

Director's Dish

"The common good"- a phrase I've heard many times. I recently heard it in our pastor's sermon. He talked about focusing on our similarities rather than our differences. It is a simple concept, but one that is not always easy to follow.

It is interesting how thought-provoking this idea is. The way I view

the common good is working collectively with many to create stronger, healthier, more vibrant communities.

The collective action required to achieve the common good hinges on us acting as a community rather than as individuals. As a fiercely independent person from the moment I came out of my mother's womb, collective

action was a difficult concept for me. When I was a child, I preferred to do things my own way. As I've aged, I've discovered the exponential good that comes from acting together.

There are three simple ways we can work together for the common good to feed our neighbors. One is to donate funds. You already do this, so you check that off. The second is to give food to the Foodbank or a local pantry; better yet, invite a neighbor to dinner. The third is to volunteer. You can spread the word about our mission, pack food boxes, help at a pantry, or deliver food. The choice is all yours!

I want to take a moment to thank each of you for being part of the collective action, the common good, that we are creating for our community.

Pam Molitoris

Community Partnerships



Every Wednesday from June through August, children gathered at the Foodbank's Kids' Market to enjoy yard games, freshly baked cookies, popsicles, bubbles, and plenty of fun. Along with playtime, they were able to take home nutritious breakfast items for the week—thanks to the generosity of Cary Israel.



Together with Schuyler County Food Basket, volunteers distributed over 2,700 pounds of food to the Rushville community. Families received a variety of items, including apples, cheese, ribs, ham steaks, chicken, pork chops, and brats—ensuring access to fresh, nutritious food for our neighbors.

Upcoming Events

We hope to see you there!

Join us for Hickory Point Bank's 4th Annual Cereal Drive

Sept. 23 | 7:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

3131 Wabash Ave., Springfield, IL 62704

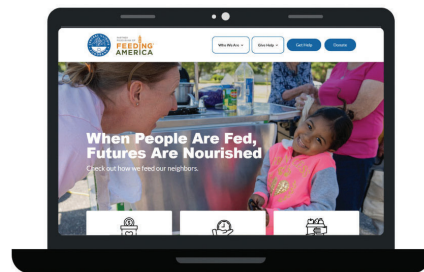
Please bring a box of healthy cereal, breakfast bars, oatmeal, etc. Nutritious snacks will be made at the Foodbank's mobile kitchen cart along with Smokin BBQ Stewy Style food truck for lunch!



Can't make the Cereal Drive? No worries! Scan the QR Code for items to purchase and send directly to the Foodbank!

For more information please contact Chloe Lucca at 217-522-4022 or clucca@centralilfoodbank.org.

Check out our refreshed website!



www.centralilfoodbank.org

Follow us to stay up to date!



1937 E. Cook St.
Springfield, IL 62703
217-522-4022
Fax 217-522-6418
centralilfoodbank.org