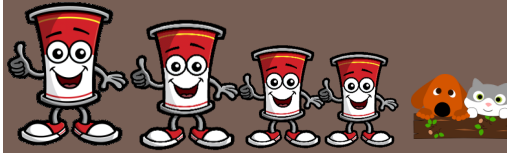


# The Can Can



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**Current Pantry Needs**

- Juice
- Coffee & Tea
- Boxed stuffing/potatos
- Toilet Paper
- Toothpaste/Brushes
- Dish Soap
- Laundry Detergent



## News From The Executive Director

My goodness, where has the year gone? It seems that just a few weeks ago I was starting a new chapter of my work life. My first year as Executive Director has flown by. Becoming part of EAFB has been immensely rewarding. I've met many wonderful people and taken part in several community events designed to ensure that those in Saline County experiencing hunger and food insecurity have enough to eat. It is incredibly fulfilling to see that so many people take extra care to ensure those faced with emergencies have a resource in the community to assist them.

Over the past year more than 15,000 people have come to EAFB asking for some type of assistance. Because so many of you support our mission, we were able to assist them in a variety of ways. Thank you for that. Your support makes a meaningful difference in the lives of those seeking help at the Food Bank.

I'm looking forward to taking part in my first Empty Bowls event. I hope that many of you will join us on October 21st for soup, pie and fellowship. It'll be great to connect with all of you. Happy Fall!

-Michael

Drew Weller (L) is shown making a donation after collecting personal care items for the Food Bank at his 10th birthday party.





**GALLONS FOR GOOD-** 24/7 Travel Store is teaming with local food banks to help fight hunger. Fill up your gas tank between Oct. 22-31 at either of Salina's 24/7 Travel Stores and they'll donate 5 cents per gallon to EAFB. The food bank fill up, makes it easy to donate, just fill up and go! 24/7 Travel stores are headquartered in Salina and operate in each of the following Kansas communities; Goodland, Colby, WaKeeney, Hays, Russell, McPherson, Salina, Abilene and Maple Hill. They'll be making a difference in each of these communities through donations for operating costs and to support the purchase of food items.

**DuPont-Pioneer makes \$2,500 Grant to EAFB-** Aaron Phelps of Phelps Seed, Inc. was on hand at the end of August to present a \$2,500 check from DuPont-Pioneer's charitable outreach program to support EAFB's Healthy Food For Families initiative. The grant will fund the purchase of milk, juice and whole grain cereal to supplement the shelf-stable items distributed to clients from EAFB's pantry. DuPont Pioneer makes grants to worthwhile projects in communities where Pioneer sales representatives, DuPont Pioneer employees and customers live and



Picture L-R, Gabe Grant, Cindy Peck, Chambers, Phelps, Brandon Hulse & Ben Belshe

work to support quality-of-life initiatives to create an improved, sustainable lifestyle for people worldwide.

**Grateful Hearts & Full Plates**

Summer has come to a close and we're celebrating the first days of autumn. Friends are still debating whether it was a good or bad year for tomatoes, but we know for sure that it was a good year for produce donated to benefit clients of EAFB. Many backyard gardeners planted an extra row or two and brought their bounties to the food bank. We had an abundance of cucumbers, squash, peppers, tomatoes, and even apples given to us this year. The K-State Research & Extension test garden at the Food Bank was prolific as well. Julia & Jaryl Hudson donated a couple tons of sweet corn, and C&C Farms donated hundreds of cantaloupe and tomatoes. All of the fresh produce donated benefits clients of EAFB and supplements the shelf-stable products offered from our pantry. Each time a donation came in the front door, we were reminded of how deeply supporters of EAFB care for those in their community without enough to eat. We appreciate each one of you!

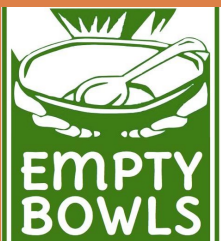
**Earl Bane Foundation Makes Gift to EAFB-**In early August EAFB was notified by the trustees of the Salina based Earl Bane Foundation that we had been granted funds to purchase some new equipment for our food distribution program. Thanks to their gift we were able to purchase a new industrial refrigerator for our pantry and new carts and other equipment to move product from the warehouse to the distribution area. The new equipment has allowed us to make significant improvements in our distribution processes. We can move bulky product easily and the refrigerator keeps dairy products cold right up to the time they are sent out the door with our clients.



Volunteers are pictured with the new refrigerator.

**2018 Empty Bowls Event**

EAFB's annual Empty Bowls dinner will be held on **October 21st from 5-7pm** at First Covenant Church in Salina. Tickets prices are \$15 for adults, \$5.00 for children 4-12, and children under age 4 are free. Walk-ins are welcome but it is recommended that tickets be purchased in advance. Please contact EAFB at 785/827-7111 for tickets. We hope that you will join us for your choice of chili, chicken noodle or potato soup and a variety of desserts! Handmade bowls have been donated by local potters and will be available the night of the event. We look forward to you joining us this year!



**Ways of Giving-** As you plan for your year end charitable giving, please consider a direct gift to the Emergency Aid Food Bank. Your gifts ensure the successful fulfillment of our mission and support our operations all through the year. Each month we serve more than 1,000 people experiencing hunger, food insecurity, and other emergencies. Your gifts make a meaningful difference in the lives of those we serve. For more information about giving to the Food Bank in the way most meaningful to you, please contact Michael Chambers at 785/827-7111 or by email at michael.chambers@salinafood.org. Thank you.