

Welcome to the New and Improved Food Pantry!

In an effort to make our Food Pantry more relevant, efficient, amply supplied and welcoming, we have given ourselves a “makeover.” New shelving, a new mini kitchen, improved lighting and a fresh coat of paint has transformed our space into a more inviting and functional environment to better serve our residents.

We have received our 501(c)(3) determination from the IRS to become a charitable entity apart from Barrington Township. We remain under the same roof but the Food Pantry is its own Non-Profit Corporation. This status will enable us to partner with more sources for food and present grants for financial assistance to update the space with equipment that will better serve our resident’s needs. For individual donors, the 501(c)(3) status will make your gifts official charitable donations.

In addition to a new physical appearance, some of our policies have changed. Please review these changes below with the understanding that we are working toward providing our residents with the best possible experience.

1. Food pick-up and all donations must be by appointment ONLY. If you come to the Food Pantry without an appointment, you will be asked to come back at an appointed time. This policy is due in large part because of COVID-19 protocol to avoid too many people in our space at one time. Please refer to our hours below. Donations left after hours may be compromised by weather or local wildlife and will be not be accepted.
2. We will NO LONGER ACCEPT items from “move outs” or “clean outs” of your own or another person’s residence. If you are having a food drive for donations to our Food Pantry, please consider using the “wish list” that is posted on the Food Pantry page of our website, www.barringtontownship.com. That list is updated monthly as our needs change.
3. ALL DONATIONS must consist of recently purchased food specifically for donation to the Food Pantry. Following this policy will help eliminate the possibility of expired items in the donation.
4. Please read the monthly “Wish List” on our web page and try to limit your donation to items needed. The residents who shop at our Food Pantry are usually looking for the same items month to month and following this list will help ensure the supply.