

Nourishing News

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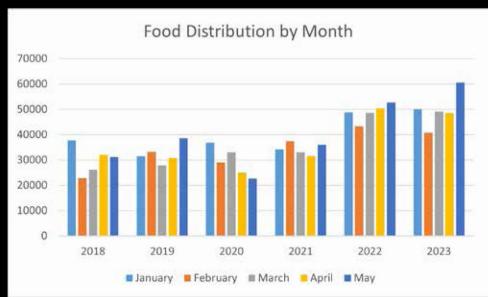
PLEASE DROP OFF DONATIONS AT THE WEST SIDE ENTRANCE DURING OFFICE HOURS!

HUNGER: An Invisible Problem in the Workplace

"Hangry" is defined as being irritable or angry because of hunger. But hunger impacts more than just one's mood. Ask any teacher and they will readily admit that students who are hungry seem unmotivated in the classroom and are more likely to misbehave. But what about the educators themselves when they skip lunch to work with a struggling student, to attend an unexpected meeting, or to cover an assignment for someone else? Food insecurity poses an invisible challenge for employers because it impacts the mental and physical health of their employees as well as workplace productivity. Studies have shown that hunger activates extra nerve cells that control perception, so when we are hungry at work, the extra stress on our minds can cause us to make errors. Time that is lost when employees are absent or not fully productive comes at a cost. To help quantify food insecurity and its cost, employers can use the Cost of Food Insecurity (CFI) calculator developed by The HSM Group, Ltd. www.CostofFood Insecurity.com. Here in Salina, leadership at Kansas Wesleyan University is tackling this invisible problem by offering all full-time staff the benefit of a free meal in the school cafeteria all throughout the school year. Not only has it given employees easy access to healthy food options when time is limited, but it has fostered camaraderie on campus between faculty members and students alike!



How quickly did the Food Bank go through



20,000

lbs?

Due to the high
of clients using
our pantry, it
only took 2.5
weeks to give out
all of the pantry
staples donated
in the Stamp Out
Hunger
food drive.

F.O.O.D.: Food Options, Orders and Donations!

Every day Food Bank staff makes rounds to various retailers and vendors picking up product for our pantry. We never know what will be donated, rescued or dropped off. Even when we purchase product, we don't have much control over when it arrives. Nonetheless, giving choices to our clients is a key priority. That's why every time a client visits, they can customize their order based upon what we have in stock, including meat, produce and hygiene items.



A Thursday "Meat Run"

Upcoming Events

Tuesdays from 4-6pm July 25th - August 29th

Diabetic Cooking Classes w/ Salina Family Healthcare

August 24th @ 5:30pm Garden Education Program:
Wild about Agriculture w/
Rolling Hills Zoo's horticulturist

September 15th @ 5:30pm

Garden Education Program:
Harvest Sampler & Nutrition Talk

October 5th 5:00 - 7:00pm

STOCKTOBERFEST

@ the Kirwin House

October 24th @ 7:00pm

Volunteer Appreciation Night at the Food Bank!



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