

The **Salvation Army is continuing to accept donations at their headquarters** at 529 E. Main St. in Batavia on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. or at Northgate Free Methodist Church on Bank Street Road on Mondays from 10 am to 4 pm.

We're not suggesting that people should risk going out and shopping special for items, but if you are shopping and want to pick up some food from the list below, it would be a real blessing to our neighbors in need.

The Salvation Army needs:

- Canned meats
- Peanut butter and jelly
- Soups and chili in cans
- Pastas and pasta sauce
- Rice
- Beans
- Breakfast items
- Snack items for kids
- Shelf-stable milk

It is pretty safe to make the donations at Salvation Army. You pull into their parking lot at the back of the building. A volunteer (masked and gloved) comes to your car and will remove the items. We had placed the donation into our trunk, so just popped it open and the volunteer did the rest. You don't have to get out of your car or violate social distancing. We have not seen the Northgate setup at their donation site, but know that they are trying to meet social distancing requirements.

The Salvation Army would also welcome financial donations to purchase food.

**And if you are in need of food**, during the same hours on those three days per week, you can pick up food at the Salvation Army. It works the same way. Don't leave your car. A volunteer will bring a box of food to you. You may need to show ID.

There is also a Food Link food distribution every other Wednesday coordinated by the Salvation Army, but at Northgate Free Methodist Church on Bank Street Road, Batavia. The next one is this Wednesday, April 22, beginning at 9 am. Works pretty much the same way. It's a drive-through to get the food. They request that only one person come per family for the pickup, and only one family per vehicle. Have your trunk empty so they can put the food in it.