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To:

Second Helpings Thrift Store NEEDS Your Donations! Shop With Us! Help Us Turn Sales Into FOOD!

Creating Incredible Results! Thank YOU!

West Glacier School Raised \$2,253.25 Through the DisCONNECT To ReCONNECT to Reading Program! Call FFB to find out how to sign up YOUR school!



**It's Coming to Kalispell This Summer!
Want To Buy A Duck?
Want To Have An Opportunity To Win Great Prizes?
Watch For Details!**



When Local Companies Commit To Fighting Hunger With Us We Celebrate!

**Performance Real Estate
Read All About It!**

I want to tell you about a charity that is dear to my family and all of us at Performance Real Estate—The Backpack for Kids Program at FFB. My grandmother recognized years ago that so many people in our community were unable to feed their families, so she became a strong supporter of the FFB. Her generous efforts inspired me, and I am carrying on her tradition.

As a father of four, I cannot imagine the pain I would feel from being unable to properly feed my children. Nor can I comprehend what so many students feel when they are too hungry to concentrate on learning while at school. So many students dread the weekend knowing that their next real meal will not be until Monday when they are back at school.

That is why it is my goal and the goal of the Performance Real Estate team to fund the entire program by working to raise the projected \$53,000 it will take to run the Backpack Program for just one school year.

A greater goal would be to eradicate hunger in the Flathead Valley and other places in our world, but I believe our communities are the best place to start.

With each real estate closing, \$75 will be given to provide food to children.

- Brett Kelly

Hunger is a result of a "perfect storm". When one or more factors like poverty, lack of education, unemployment or underemployment, limited affordable housing, and access to inexpensive health care combine – hunger can become an unexpected outcome. Individuals and families in our community are just one crisis from needing one or more of Flathead Food Bank's hunger relief programs.

FFB's sustainability doesn't happen with one gift, it happens with thousands of gifts, big and small!



Donate at Gateway Community Center or go to www.flatheadgives.org on May 5 & 6 to GIVE!

SAVE THE DATE!

6PM MAY 4 - 6PM MAY 5

Flathead Food Bank Helping To Feed Food Insecure Pets

When people, the homeless, families, and seniors choose what to cut from their grocery lists, pets often are among those that suffer the most.

Whiskers the cat is an 82 year-old senior's only family member. She gives up her own lunch daily to feed the cat she loves. If FFB can provide cat food for Whiskers, this senior can enjoy her own lunch and keep herself fed and healthy.

It is because of stories like this that FFB collects food for pets who just like their owners, are experiencing hunger.

We don't want to have you stop donating people food, because the need has never been greater; rather, we are asking you to consider donating in addition, a bag or can of dog or cat food. Sometimes, a simple bowl of kibble is the force that saves a "family" and the animals they love.

It is the mission of Flathead Food Bank to provide emergency food, basic clothing and household goods to members of our community in need of temporary assistance.



Food of the Month!
 April—Tomato Products May—Mac & Cheese
 June—Soup, July—Canned Beans

Creating The Change We Are HUNGRY For! How?

Donate Your GIFT CARDS! If you've received a gift card for your birthday, Christmas, or just because, and you don't think you'll ever use it, pay it forward! Did you know that banks collect billions of dollars each year in unredeemed gift cards! Donate your card to Flathead Food Bank as a charity donation. We'll turn your gift card into CHANGE to support our mission! Donations are 100% tax deductible for the full face value of the card or its actual residual balance.

Collect Your CHANGE! Pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters, add up! We'd like to invite you, your family, your school, group, church or company, to collect and donate the CHANGE we are HUNGRY for in 2017! We have creative ways to help your change collection be fun, creative, and challenging! Call us for more information!



2016 Statistics & Accomplishments!

Pantries:
 8,279 Individuals Were Served 45,487 Times!
 3,733 Households Were Served!
 21 Average Pounds of Food To Each Person!
 45 Average Pounds of Food To Each Family!
 397,519 Pounds of Food Donated By Our Community!
 437,932 Pounds of Food Donated By Our Grocery Recovery Partners—Grocery Stores & Restaurants!
 1,295 Holiday Baskets Distributed!
 1,546,881 Total Pounds of Food Given Out!

BackPack Program:
 392 Children, 19 Schools, 14,112 BackPacks!

Senior Commodities Program:
 744 Seniors, 17,856 Bags Delivered!

Second Helpings Thrift Store:
 \$25,000 Was Created To Purchase Food Through YOUR Patronage!
 69,820

The Number of Times We Touched A Person through One Of Our Hunger Relief Programs With Food!
 513 Volunteers, Served Over 17,000 Hours!

Incredible Accomplishments!



In One Day! Help Us To Collect The Groceries Our Community Is Hungry For! Saturday, May 20, 2017! Find Us At Super One Evergreen AND In Kalispell—Super One, Smiths, Albertson's & Walmart, 9:00 AM—6:00 PM!

Those We Serve:
 29.6% Are Children. 18.7% Are Seniors. 82% Are Households Headed By Women. 18% Are Households Headed By Men, 76% of Our Customers Take Home \$15k or Less. 51% Take Home 10k or Less. 51% of our Customers Use Our Pantry 3 Times or Less Per Year. 68.1% of Our customers Use Our Pantry 6 Times or Less.

Welcome To Flathead Food Bank's Board of Directors Pam Carbonari and Janet Zauner

I am amazed at the fact that we gave out almost 1.6 million pounds of food last year. It was our busiest year ever and every one of our programs grew. We appreciate all of our donors so much. Without every one of you, we just wouldn't be as successful as we are.

One of our busiest times of the year is Christmas and we have a company in our community that works especially hard for us during the time leading up to Christmas. Applied Materials makes their food drives rock with fun! This year we were invited to come try their homemade chili and pick the best one. After we choose, the employees buy bowls of chili and ice cream for lunch. We are also part of their mini golf tournament—in which each hole is made out of canned food, and also their virtual bowling tournament. Each of these is set up to support the Flathead Food Bank and raise money to buy food.

The biggest fun comes during the whole food drive. They have a Grizzly team and a Bobcat team and they try and outdo each other each year with the pounds of food they collect. Each year we get thousands and thousands of pounds of food and also matching funds from their corporate offices. They have a ton of fun each fall with all of their games and at the end, it is the Flathead Food Bank that is the overall winner!

Thank you so much to all of our friends at Applied Materials. You create such fun out of helping people! We appreciate you more than you will ever know and hope to "play" with you for many years to come.

Lori

Second Helpings thrift store

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25% OFF Your Total Purchase!

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