#### NORTHERN MICHIGAN FOOD BANK INFO

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\*\*\*THIS LIST IS PRIMARILY FOR FREE FOOD DISTRIBUTION ONLY for LOWER NORTHERN MI\*\*\*

\*Call 211 to locate pantries or ask for other types of assistance such as utility assistance.

\*More info here ... https://www.foodbanks.net/state/mi.html

\*"Pop up" or "mobile" food pantries are different from regular food pantries. These are usually once a month in certain areas and are for anyone. Drive thru pantry. You can go to other counties for these as well.

\*To find "Pop Up" pantries.... https://www.fbem.org/what-we-do/activity-calendar/ This is for Eastern side of state.

https://www.feedwm.org/mobile-pantry-schedule/ This is for western side of state.

These organizations are on facebook and advertise there when they are doing a pantry. Look there for up to date info as well. You can join various facebook groups to keep up.

If you are a senior 60 or older, you can also use the senior center in your area to find senior commodity programs. You can use these in addition to the regular pantries and pop up pantries.

TEFAP commodities are an emergency food assistance government program for all ages. https://www.benefits.gov/benefit/681

In MI, these are held quarterly...4 times per year...usually Feb, May, Aug, Nov. Usually at the senior centers. Look up the center websites in your area for dates. Nemsca also has dates for these. Drive thru service.

Project Connect is hosted by <u>www.nemsca.org</u> Go to website to keep up with dates and other community info. They help with caregiver resources, early childhood services, food programs for all ages, heat and utility programs etc...The Project Connect events are drive thru with various agencies giving info about their services....you can expect to receive food, produce, hygiene kits, baby items, and books etc... Contact your nearest Salvation Army, St. Vincent de Paul, or Red Cross organizations for additional help and resources. Most have food, clothing, and utility assistance programs.

Some pantries require ID, or proof of income, and require that you live in the county. Some do not have any requirements. CALL FIRST before you go so you know which one you can use and that you have the right documentation with you if that is needed. Most pantries ask how many children or seniors live in the household. Some pantries gear some of the food given to you for those groups.

During Covid, All the pantries went to Drive thru service where you don't have to get out of the car. If this happens again, this will more than likely be implemented again for the regular pantries.

Pro tip...bring a cooler with you to keep the frozen food items in and fresh produce.

If schools are closed for snow day then most pantries are closed as well. Call ahead.

Please keep in mind that the majority of the workers are VOLUNTEER!!! Be kind and patient! If they didn't show up, then you wouldn't have the services available to you! If you receive items you can't use, then pass on to someone who can use it or donate it back to a pantry.

# MONDAY

*Harbor Springs*-Catholic Church-Turn into 3<sup>rd</sup> St. Parking Lot. 231-526-2017X43 9:00am to 1130am. Give name, address, phn, how many in household, township. They have tables outside to pick up additional food items. Wait in your car till they bring your box. *Petoskey*-Church of Christ-308 Monroe-231-347-6181 from 11:30 to 12:15pm. They serve a meal & distribute food during the meal. No ID required but they fill out an informational form on everyone.

<u>**Onaway</u>**-Curtesy Club sponsored by Awaken Church—4644 M33--989-306-2562 From 10am to 1:30pm and 5pm to 6:30pm on give days. Food give date is posted on front window. Every other Mon. Bring ID & proof of who lives in household.</u>

<u>Cheboygan</u>-St. Thomas Lutheran Chruch-332 S. Western Ave. 10am to 1:00 pm Drive thru Those not currently registered must call ahead and register the week before: 231.627.3167

# <u>TUESDAY</u>

Harbor Springs-manna food pantry-8791 McBride Park Ct.-231-347-8852-

9am to 12noon. EVERY Tuesday. Drive thru. NO ID required. Give verbal info.

**Petoskey**-Bro Dan's food pantry-415 State St. from 9:30am to 12:30. A free sack lunch is available for anyone starting at 11 am. No ID required. Give verbal info. Enter at side ramp to sign in. You have opportunity to pick up additional food items in a side room then go to your car to wait for the food box & sack lunch to be brought out to you.

**Bay Shore**—2<sup>nd</sup>. And 4<sup>th</sup>. Tuesdays only! –Jesus is Lord Church-10593 Seneca Ave.

231-348-2086-from noon to 2pm. Office hours are Sat only 10am to noon.

Hillman--New Beginnings Church 16960 N. CO Rd. 459, 989-742-2539 ID required.

1<sup>st</sup>. Tues from 9 to 11am and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Tues 4 to 6pm.

<u>Presque Isle</u>--God Loves You Food Pantry, 8025 E. Grand Lake Rd. 989-595-6073 This is the 2<sup>nd</sup>. Tues every month. Drive Thru.

#### WEDNESDAY

Alanson-Church of the Nazarene-7489 Mission Rd-231-548-5462 from 4pm to 5pm No ID required, Give name, address, phn, # in household. Go inside back parking lot to gym to sign in starting at 3:30 pm. They offer a free clothing closet as well. Pellston—Food Pantry-161 US 31 North—231-838-4499 from 5pm to 645pm. ID required Petoskey—United Methodist Church—1804 E. Mitchell Rd—231-347-2733—6pm to645pm Rogers City—Westminster Presbyterian Church—125 W. Ontario St. 989-734-3929 Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at 9:30 am. Bring ID and proof of who lives in household. Onaway—United Methodist Church—Caring Closet (Hygiene & Cleaning items) 3647 N. Lynn St. 989-733-8811. First Wed of the month from 9am to 12pm. Atlanta--The Caring Place 11651 M33 N. 989-785-2370 from 2pm to 4pm. ID required. They also offer a free clothing closet on Mon 9 to 1:30pm and Wed 9 to 4pm. Lewiston--Family Ministry Center 3105 Mantz St. 989-786-7473 from noon to 2pm.

## **THURSDAY**

Indian River — Joy Fellowship Assembly of God Church-8290 S. Straits hwy. 231-238-2331. From 4pm to 6PM-- No ID required. Drive thru. Harbor Springs — Manna Food Bank — 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. Thursdays only — 8791 McBride Park Ct 231-347-8852 from 3pm to 6pm Drive thru. No ID required. Give verbal info. <u>Alpena County Baby Pantry</u> --St Bernard's Church Parish Center 319 Lockwood St Alpena MI 49707 3<sup>rd</sup>. Thursday of each month – 9am to 4pm <u>Gaylord</u>--E Free Church, 1649 E. M32, 989-732-2647. This is 2<sup>nd</sup>. Thurs @ 4pm. ID required & must live in county.

## **FRIDAY**

*Giving Tree Food Pantry*--10722 E. M32 Johannesburg 989-705-7456 Every Fri 2pm-4pm.

#### **MONDAY THRU FRIDAY**

<u>The Lord's Kitchen</u>--sponsored by Nazarene church 221 N. Bailey St. Cheboygan. 231-627-1173 Free Lunch Mon thru Fri at noon. Free Laundry facility available m-f, 9am to 1pm. Must call ahead for a time slot for laundry.

<u>Gaylord</u>--Otsego County Food Pantry 116 E. 5<sup>th</sup>. St. 989-732-1576. M-F noon to 2pm. <u>Alpena</u>--This is a "good will" pantry kiosk outside at Grace Lutheran Church 119 W. Dunbar St. 989-354-2640. Take what you need, Leave something for someone else.

*Alpena*--St. Bernards Friendship Room 322 W. Chisolm 989-354-8018 Free meals 6 days a week.

## **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**

Beaver Lake Church 9007 M-65 S Lachine, MI 49753 989-379-4123 Food pantry by appointment – western Alpena county & Montmorency county.

Trinity Episcopal Church 124 E. Washington Ave, Alpena. 989-356-0576. Food pantry by appt. Sunday dinner served free each week.

# FREE CLOTHING CLOSETS

The Community Closet - FREE 455 W Main St (Vanderbilt Community Church) Vanderbilt MI 989-983-3421 T, Th, Sat / 1p - 3p Clothing, Household Goods and more.

The Caring Closet - FREE 905 N Center St Gaylord MI 49735 989-939-8624 M, W, F / 1p - 3p Clothing, household goods and more.

Adventist Community Services--1402 Howard St. Petoskey 231-487-0720, Mon & Tues 10am -2pm Free Clothing for all ages, blankets, some dry good n canned food.

Black River Full Gospel Church--2732 Orchard Beach Rd., Cheboygan 231-625-2275