# FALL FOOD DRIVE

Oct. 14—Nov. 11, 2018

All through the year, Alpharetta Presbyterian gathers food which North Fulton Community Charities and The Place of Forsyth share with residents in our community. In the fall, we also make a special effort to collect groceries for holiday meals. Please use this list of suggested items for purchase. Consider getting an item in each category to feed a family of four or buying several items in one category.

#### Please return all donations to collection bins in Fellowship Hall by November 11.

If you prefer, you may also purchase grocery store gift cards in \$25 increments. Bring gift cards to the church office.

#### **THANK YOU!**



#### **Bags of Dry Beans**

**Bags of Flour, Cornmeal, Biscuit mixes** (wheat, all-purpose, white)

#### **Boxed or Bagged Stuffing Mixes** (cornbread, herb or plain, in bags or boxes)

**Boxed Meals** (Hamburger and Tuna Helper)

#### **Boxed Potatoes and Rice**

(mashed, scalloped, au gratin potatoes; white, brown, or yellow rice in boxes or bags)

#### **Boxes of Oatmeal and Cereal**

Boxes of Baking Goods (cake and cookie mixes, brownies, pie makings, cornbread)

Canned Vegetables (carrots, greens, sweet peas, beans —black, navy, pintos, etc., pumpkin, squash, tomato products, yams/sweet potatoes)

PLEASE—NO CANNED GREEN BEANS OR CORN.

Cans of Gravy (turkey, chicken)

Cans of Fruit (applesauce, cranberry sauce, pears, peaches, pineapple)

Canned Pasta Sauce, Pasta, Pasta Mixes, Mac & Cheese

**Cans of Soup** (cream and chunky/hearty soups are especially helpful)

**Drink Mixes** (tea, lemonade)

Healthy Snacks (crackers, granola bars, peanut



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### **APC's Mission Partners**

These three organizations all operate food pantries and will distribute the groceries collected during APC's FALL FOOD DRIVE to neighbors in North Fulton and Forsyth counties







## NORTH FULTON COMMUNITY CHARITIES (NFCC):

Each year at NFCC, close to 10,000 individuals receive over \$1.5 million in emergency financial assistance to remain stably housed; more than 26,000 food pantry orders are filled; and over 1,200 adults attend education classes in workforce readiness and life skills development. This assistance allows more than 2,600 families to remain in their home—not in a car, storage shed, or other unsafe living conditions. More than 90% of those receiving assistance are stably housed for 90 days or more after coming to NFCC for help.

#### THE PLACE OF FORSYTH (TPF):

- Between 1000 and 1500 people received food each month from TPF between March and August 2018.
- About 150 of these received their food from TPF's new mobile unit.
- TPF provided food to 250 families per week in 2017.
- TPF harvested 2000 pounds of fresh vegetables from their garden during 2017.

#### THE DRAKE HOUSE:

- 10,000+ people experience homelessness on any given night in metro Atlanta.
- 40% of homeless are women and children. 41% of homeless students attend North Fulton County schools.
- In 2017, 52 mothers and 94 children were served through The Drake House and Drake Village.

Testimony from a graduate of The Drake House:

"This place was my home for 6 months. Being accepted into The Drake House was truly a blessing to me and my children. The staff was great, the classes were absolutely necessary, informative, and needed. They put us up in a place of our own which was fully furnished and comfortable. I thank God for the opportunity to have been a part of this program during my hard times and I'm even more grateful to have had the opportunity to get back on my feet all because of The Drake House."