UNITED WAY OF CENTRAL VIRGINIA ORGANIZES FOOD DRIVE FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

The United Way of Central Virginia (UWCV) has kicked off its annual October Food Drive with collection boxes hosted at more than 80 locations in Lynchburg and the surrounding counties. Donations of food may also be brought directly to UWCV at 1010 Miller Park Square in Lynchburg. What better way to celebrate the upcoming holiday season than by helping a neighbor?

"Our goal for this year's food drive is to collect at least 15,000 pounds of food," stated Amy Fisher, Director of Operations at UWCV and coordinator of this year's food drive. "The food will be distributed to thirteen local food banks and pantries just in time for the holiday season. We appreciate our business partners and team of volunteers who are making this happen."

Agencies who will benefit from the food drive include:

Lynchburg Daily Bread Rivermont Area Food Pantry DAWN (Donation-A-Week-Neighbor) Piedmont Community Impact Prospect Food Pantry Missionary Food Bank Neighbors Helping Neighbors Blue Ridge Area Food Bank Park View Community Mission Bedford Christian Ministries Lake Christian Ministries Salvation Army Rustburg United Methodist Church Food Pantry

For more information, a list of collection locations, or to get involved, see <u>https://unitedwaycv.org/events/october-food-drive</u> or email Amy Fisher, Director of Operations, at amy.fisher@unitedwaycv.org.

United Way of Central Virginia was founded in 1921 with a mission to mobilize the compassionate power of our community to improve the quality of life in Central Virginia. Every day, we work to advance Health, Education, Financial Stability and Basic Human Needs in Lynchburg and the surrounding counties. In 2022, nearly 53,000 Central Virginians were helped by a United Way program. Visit <u>https://www.unitedwaycv.org</u> for more information about United Way of Central Virginia.

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