



Food Drive Planning Sheet

High-demand foods:

- *Cereal (whole grain, low sugar preferred)*
- *Oatmeal or whole grain hot cereals*
- *Jam and/or jelly*
- *Coffee (ground or instant, not coffee pods)*
- *Tea and/or hot chocolate*
- *Almond or soy milk (shelf stable)*
- *White tuna in water*
- *Stews and/or other canned meat proteins*
- *Pasta sauce (marinara, with meat and/or veggies)*
- *Soups (heartly, kid-friendly, vegetarian and/or cream style)*
- *Side dishes (pilaf, noodle dishes, whole grain side dishes)*
- *Gluten-free side dishes/foods of any type*
- *Nuts, dried fruits, snack mixes*

Also needed:

- *Personal care health items for adults (toothpaste, liquid soap, shampoo)*
- *Diapers for infants/children (any size)*
- *Paper bags with handles*

- **WHEN:** Decide when to hold your food drive. Consider when need is highest in the spring or summer months
- **LENGTH:** Think about how long you want your drive to last. A week, a day, an on-going effort? It's up to you.
- **COMMUNICATE:** Let your community know about the food drive via email, social media, flyers, etc.
- **COMMUNICATE SOME MORE:** Contact Open Table to let us know what you're up to: pantry@opentable.org
- **COORDINATE:** Who will manage the food drive, where will food be dropped off so it's convenient for all donations and how and when will it be delivered to one of our pantries.
- **OTHER IDEAS:** Set a goal or use a theme
 - Pasta Patrol (collect pastas, sauces, mac and cheese)
 - Wake Up Call (coffee, tea, cereal, oatmeal)
 - Hunger is Baked (baking mixes, oils)

Open Table Food Donation Locations and Hours:

Concord Community Donation Center 105 Everett Street

Tuesdays 2:00 – 5:00 pm

To arrange for delivery at other times, please contact pantry@opentable.org

This is Open Table's preferred donation site.

Maynard Pantry

33 Main Street

Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays

10:00 am – 2:00 pm

See website for directions www.opentable.org

THANK YOU for your interest in supporting Open Table

We accept all non-perishable food and grocery items

Nothing goes to waste!

Please, no opened or expired food