

# THE SOUTH FORT MYERS FOOD PANTRY COALITION, INC.

MISSION STATEMENT: FEED THE HUNGRY OF THE SOUTH FORT MYERS AREA INCLUDING SANIBEL & CAPTIVA  
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## *Newsletter*

### *4th Quarter 2023*

*We served 3,638 households*

*Totaling 11,532 family members*

*We distributed approximately 188,425 pounds of food*

*(This represents the food received from Harry Chapin Food Bank and MidWest Food Bank as well as any food that we purchase from local retailers.*

*This does not include products from food drives or weekly donations from Publix at Gladiolus Gateway & SouthPointe, Winn Dixie at Cypress Trace or The Bagel Factory)*

### *Year-End 2023*

*We served 12,781 individual households*

*Totaling 40,160 family members*

*We distributed approximately 655,614 pounds of food*

*We had 107 distributions*

*In comparison: Year-End 2022 we served 10,206 individual households totaling 30,596 family members*



Check out our newly revised website, <https://sfmfoodpantry.com>. It includes lots of helpful information such as our history, service area, hours of operation, and volunteer opportunities. Just click on the “Donate” button if you would like to easily support our mission.

*This sweet note was received from a client. Positive proof that the work we all do is greatly appreciated and makes an amazing difference: “Dear South Ft. Myers Food Pantry: Over a year ago Hurricane Ian destroyed our home and belongings. Our family is still displaced and in a rental. We had never been in a situation like this before. My husband works two jobs to provide; it has been a blessing having the pantry support our family. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for all you do and give. May God’s peace always be upon each of you”.*

Recently one of our supporting partners held a very successful fund raiser and provided us with \$2,495 to use towards the purchase of needed items to stock our shelves. We are blessed with partners & members who have a heart for the clients we serve. We appreciate the generosity of our community!!

*WE WOULD BE PLEASED TO MAKE A PRESENTATION TO YOUR CHURCH OR ORGANIZATION TO SHARE OUR VISION OF CARING FOR OUR LOCAL NEIGHBORS.*

*In accordance with federal law and US Department of Agriculture policy, the South Fort Myers Food Pantry Coalition is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, sex, age, color, national origin, disability, religion or sexual orientation when recruiting volunteers or distributing food. We are an equal opportunity provider.*

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