

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

2nd Quarter 2024

We served 3,998 households

Totaling 12,382 family members

We distributed approximately 113,166 pounds of food

Year-To-Date: 454,536.06 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, Dollar General on McGregor or The Bagel Factory



Some history: As a comparison we had 1665 households for the same time period in 2021 and served 5227 individuals. This represents an approximate increase of 233%; This increase in clients over the last two years has been driven by Ian, the aftermath of Covid and the economy. Our main source of affordable food can't keep up with the demands of our clients forcing us to use more of our cash reserves to purchase food. We rely on all our coalition partners, members and generous individual donors to help with this bridge so we can continue to supply those in need.

We have added a new partner in food rescue! We are grateful for Dollar General on Old McGregor. On a weekly basis they help us fill our shelves!

A BIG Thanks to our dedicated volunteers. No matter the weather or the day - they faithfully show up and work so very hard to serve our neighbors in need. Our success is totally due to their commitment!

***Spanish-speaking volunteers for morning and evening are needed.
Please contact us or stop by any Monday.***

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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