

Food Assistance Programs in Grand Rapids

Food Assistance Benefits:

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services

www.michigan.gov/mdhhs

517-241-3740 (General Information line)

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services provides food assistance programs to eligible participants (e.g., SNAP/Bridge Card). They also offer additional food assistance through their Women, Infant, and Children support program for eligible individuals/families (i.e., WIC).

***Double Up Food Bucks can be used by SNAP/Bridge card holders at select grocery stores and farmer's markets. When using Bridge Card, the double up program matches purchase of fruits and vegetables up to \$20, allowing for twice the amount of fruits and vegetables. More information can be found at www.doubleupfoodbucks.org*

Kent County Community Action

121 Franklin Street SE, Suite 110
Grand Rapids, MI, 49507
616-632-7950

Provides two food distribution programs, including Commodity Supplemental Food Program for older adults (over 60) who qualify and the Emergency Food Assistance Program for individuals and families who meet eligibility requirements (e.g., income at or below 200% of the poverty line, need emergency food assistance).

Low-Cost Healthy Food Access:

Community Food Club

1100 S. Division Ave
Grand Rapids, MI
Phone is 616-288-5550
Monday- Friday: 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Saturday- 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

The Community Food Club is a non-profit, member based grocery store. Low-income members pay between \$11 and \$15 for a 30-day membership and are able to shop using points based on their household size. Most members receive 9 to 11 days' worth of foods during each membership period. Members can shop as often as they'd like and select foods that fit their needs. The membership fee provides access to nutrition education opportunities.

Community Action House

739 Paw Paw Drive

Holland MI 49423

616-392-2368

Monday: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Tuesday: 1 PM to 7 PM

Wednesday: 10 AM to 2 PM

Thursday: 1 PM to 7 PM

Friday: 9 AM to 4 PM

Saturday: 10 AM to 2 PM

Sunday: Closed

The Community Action House is a non-profit grocery store. Low-income members pay between \$11 and \$17 for a 30-day membership and are able to shop using points based on their household size, with larger households eligible for more points. Most members receive 9 to 11 days' worth of foods during each membership period. Members can shop as often as they'd like and select foods that fit their needs. The membership fee provides access to nutrition education opportunities.

Lakeshore Food Club

920 E Tinkham Ave

Ludington MI 49431

231-4804334

Monday- Friday: 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Saturday: 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Lakeshore Food Club is a non-profit grocery store offering a wide range of food options for low income families. Qualifying members pay \$10 for a 30-day membership and select food using points based on household size. Members personally shop and select food as often or as seldom as they choose during their 30-day membership.

Food Delivery & Pantries:**Meals on Wheels West Michigan**

2900 Wilson Ave SW

Suite 500

Grandville, MI, 49418

(616) 459-3111

www.mealsonwheelswesternmichigan.org

Meals on Wheels provides home-delivered, nutritionally balanced meals that are delivered to seniors in Kent and Allegan counties. They also have a Senior Pantry service that is provided to low-income Kent

County residents. Seniors can shop up to twice per month and may select from a wide variety of foods that are available from all food groups. There are also Senior Dining Sites that provide meals at 19 locations throughout Kent and Allegan counties.

Feeding America West Michigan

864 West River Center Drive
Comstock Park, MI 49321
(616) 784-3250
www.feedwm.org

Offers a regional clearinghouse for donated food and grocery items, as well as mobile food pantries. A list of mobile food pantry dates and locations can be found on their website.

City of Pentecost Church- Estella C. Dokes Renal Food Pantry

2286 Ball Ave NE
Grand Rapids, MI, 49505
(616) 447-7810

Provides access to nutrition for those with kidney or other related diseases.

The Green Apple Pantry

4307 Kalamazoo Avenue SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49508.
(616) 455-9411
www.thegreenapplepantry.org

Includes a pantry and food box outdoor distribution. The Green Apple Pantry also has food assistance programs, including emergency food assistance.

St. John's Mobile Food Pantry

1934 Bridge St NW
Grand Rapids, MI 49504
(616) 453-2497
<https://stjohnsuccgr.org/serving-the-community/food-truck>

Provides a mobile food pantry that brings free food and groceries to a community. Once a month, St. John's schedules a delivery of healthy proteins, fruits and vegetables, dairy and bread from Feeding America of West Michigan. The Mobile Food pantry is operated drive-through style and contact free. Dates/locations of mobile food pantries can be found on their website.

SECOM's Health Pantry

1545 Buchanan Ave SW
Grand Rapids, MI, 49507
(616) 452-7684

Tuesday: 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM & 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM
Wednesday: 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM & 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM
Friday: 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Provides a pantry with healthy food options for those in the community.

The YMCA Veggie Van (location varies based on day of the week)

<https://www.grymca.org/ymca-veggie-van>

The Veggie Van's two vehicles run year round, making daily stops in urban neighborhoods throughout Grand Rapids and Muskegon, ensuring that fruits and vegetables are available to people who otherwise have limited access to fresh produce. They grow and sell locally grown, top-quality fruits and vegetables at reduced prices. Additionally, we accept SNAP, Senior Project Fresh/Market FRESH, W.I.C. Project Fresh benefits, and accept Double Up Food Bucks. See webit

Northwest Food Pantry and Resource Center

1224 Davis Ave NW
Grand Rapids, MI
49504
(616) 300-5079

www.nwfoodpantry.org

The Northwest Food Pantry is 1 of 11 Access pantries in Kent County. They are a non-profit organization supported and sponsored by local churches, businesses and individuals. The goal is to assist Westside families (those within our NWFP boundaries) when they are faced with loss of income or any other short-term emergency. The pantry collects donations of food and personal needs items and distributes them to in-need families. A list of dates/locations for mobile food pantries can be found on their website.

Streams of Hope Food Center

280 60th Street SE
Grand Rapids, MI, 49548
(616) 272-3634

www.streamsofhope.org

This community Food Center provides supplemental food to local families. They use a client-choice environment that protects the dignity of each visitor and encourages relationships. This program is free of charge. You can avoid the line by signing up on their website for a timeslot.