



A Food Drive Without Food

Pearl Pantry and Together, Inc. are both seeing a dramatic increase in the numbers served and are having difficulty keeping certain non-food items in stock. Please consider challenging your congregation, VBS or Summer Sunday School to collect non-food items during July and August to assist these agencies. Items can be delivered directly to either agency.

Please remember that these items are also needed at other agencies outside the metro-Omaha area. For

more information contact Lisa Maupin at 402.898.9862 or lmaupin@bigmuddyumc.org.

The Top 4 Most Needed Items

Toilet Paper

Laundry Soap

Diapers (All Sizes)

Toothpaste/Toothbrushes

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Big Garden Volunteer Drop-In Nights

Tuesdays 6-8
Pearl Garden
(23rd and Ogden)

Thursdays 7-8
JC Wade Garden
(32nd and Ohio)

Buy Fresh, Buy Fair, Buy Local

August is Buy Fresh, Buy Fair, Buy Local month. Everyone is encouraged to participate through supporting local businesses, farmer's markets and fair trade outlets. Your congregation can join in the movement by purchasing fair trade items at Soul Desires (1026 Jackson Street, Omaha, NE) or the Blue Flamingo Thrift Store (1716 S. 10th Street, Omaha, NE), volunteering with the Big Garden and shopping at your local farmer's market.

Congregation Day of Service

Want to get your entire congregation excited about mission and justice? Plan a Congregation Day of Service with United Methodist Ministries. Participants will engage in hands-on work at local mission agencies while learning about the justice issues that surround hunger and poverty. Activities are available for all ages.

Cost is \$10 per person (includes lunch and donation to local missions).

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