



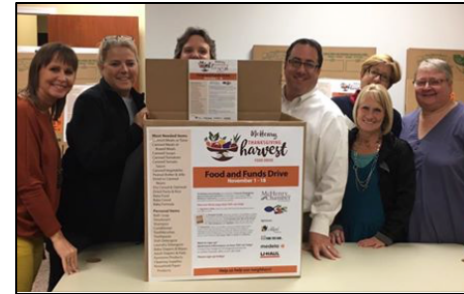
FISH Newsletter



McHenry Chamber Hosts 1st Annual Thanksgiving Food & Funds Drive!

Harvest time is here and the McHenry Area Chamber of Commerce is hosting its 1st Annual Food & Funds Drive starting November 1st to benefit FISH of McHenry. They are asking any local retailers, businesses, and organizations to join in a community effort to help our hungry neighbors in need. The goal is to collect 50,000 pounds of non-perishable food items and personal products. There are 3 different ways to help:

- 1. Sponsor a Box.** Become a drop off location by sponsoring a box at your store or office. The Chamber will provide boxes and posters.
- 2. Donate Funds.** Monetary donations are gratefully accepted. A \$10 donation buys \$80 worth of food and personal and household products from the Northern Illinois Food Bank with whom FISH has a partnership.
- 3. Volunteer.** Start a new tradition; show your family what it means to give of their time to help those in need. Volunteers of all ages will be needed on Thanksgiving morning to sort the items that are collected. Sorting will begin at 8:00am and run until 10:00am at The Chapel, 1809 S. Route 31 in McHenry. Register at www.mchenrychamber.com. For more information call the Chamber office at 815-385-4300 or contact Lisa Cowger at LGCowger@Comcast.net.



Pictured are some of the members of the McHenry Thanksgiving Harvest Committee. Look for collection boxes like this one at your local businesses.

All FISH Families Offered Thanksgiving Meals!



Each Holiday Meal Box from NIFB costs FISH \$16 and feeds up to 8 people - that is the equivalent of just \$2 per person.



Each Holiday Meal Bag contains a 2 lb. Turkey Roast, Corn, Green Beans, Instant Potatoes, Gravy, Stuffing, Broth, Dried Cherries, Canned Pumpkin, Dessert & Coffee.

Hunger never takes a holiday. Once again, FISH will be offering each household 2 choices of a complete holiday meal for Thanksgiving. Through our partnership with Northern Illinois Food Bank, we can obtain a frozen 12-14 lb. turkey plus a pre-packed box that includes all of the trimmings for an entire holiday meal for a fraction of the retail cost. Each Holiday Box is valued at over \$40 but FISH of McHenry's cost is only \$16.

As another option for our clients, we have also purchased 2 lb. white meat turkey roasts. All turkey roast meals will include all of the fixings for an entire meal. The directors at FISH have been stocking up for months with food items so that all of our households, small, medium or large, will enjoy a wonderful holiday meal!

Please get into the spirit of giving and help us provide holiday meals for our hungry neighbors this holiday season by making your donation today at www.fishofmchenry.org



The Food Pantry is open on
Tuesdays and Thursdays
9:00 – 11:30am
3rd Tuesday of each month
4:30pm – 6:30pm
3515 N. Richmond Road (Rt. 31)
Behind the McHenry Moose Lodge & across
from the McHenry Township Senior Center

Please contact FISH at:
815-344-4717
Mail donations to:
FISH of McHenry
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McHenry, IL 60051
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