

Hold a Locker Project Food Drive

Food drives can take on a variety of forms, and the Locker Project is open to them all!

Single-site drop-off: Ask people to bring food donations to one location during set hours on a specific day. You and/or your team stay at the collection site. **Extended food drive:** Set up one or multiple collection points with drop boxes where people can leave food over the course of multiple days or weeks (for example, in your bank lobby for a month.) You collect the donations periodically or at the end of the duration. **Event-related food drive:** Partner with a local event – like a sports game, music festival or county fair – and set up collection sites at the event.

Getting the Word Out: The key to a successful food drive is to get the word out about the event. Promote! Promote! We encourage food drive contributors to make the event their own; below are just suggestions.

Make a Flyer and/or Ad and Promote on Social Media

Be sure to provide key information:

- Suggested foods for contribution (see below)
- Date, time and location of the event
- Brief information on the Locker Project (see below)

Locker Project Core Pantry Items:

- Macaroni and cheese
- Kid-friendly soup (chicken noodle, beef vegetable)
- Pop-top cans of ravioli and Spaghetti-O's
- Canned chicken and tuna
- Pasta and sauce (in cans, no glass)
- Rice
- Goldfish and other nutritious crackers, fruit and nut trail mix
- Small boxes of cereal and granola, instant oatmeal packs, granola bars
- Peanut butter
- Canned vegetables and beans

Locker Project Mission: The Locker Project connects food-insecure children in Maine with nourishing food to improve their learning capacity, health, and future. We take a whole-family approach to child hunger, with programs that strive to be low-barrier, stigma-free, and environmentally responsible.