

HOSTING A FOOD DRIVE

One of the ways that you can make a big impact is by hosting a food drive. Your support will help fill our food shelf and ensure your neighbors have access to quality food options. Hosting a food drive is simple and it's a great way to help bring food to neighbors who may need it the most.

If you are hosting a food drive for Keystone, here is a brief guide for getting started:

- Choose the dates of your drive
- Reach out to Keystone to let us know. Contact 651-645-0349 or info@keystoneservices.org
- Request donation barrels or promotional signage from Keystone if needed
- Collect your donations
- Coordinate a time to drop off your collected donations

Most Needed Food and Hygiene Items

We welcome shelf-stable grocery items and encourage a variety of donations. We will only accept unexpired items in unopened containers, unless the contents are individually wrapped.

Peanut butter

Pasta

- Cereal
- Canned fruit
- Quick to prepare meals
- Canned meat and proteins (tuna, stews, chicken, etc.)
- Cooking staples (flour, sugar, cooking oil, etc.)
- Culturally specific items (soy sauce, fish sauce, masa, etc.)
- Baby care items (baby food, formula, wipes, diapers, etc.)
- Hygiene items (Deodorant, bar soap, shampoo, conditioner, feminine care items, etc.)

Consider encouraging cash donations, in addition to food donations. Keystone stocks our food shelves by purchasing food in bulk from food banks. These purchasing programs help us stretch your dollars even further and support more of our neighbors.

Donation Drop of information

Keystone Community Food Center

1800 University Ave. W. (near Fairview), St. Paul

Monday – Friday from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Here are some details to help you bring your donations to this location:

- Park in the parking lot on the south side of the building, accessible from Beacon Avenue, and go in the door marked for donors and volunteers.
- Ring the doorbell for assistance, and a Keystone staff member or volunteer will help bring your donations inside to be weighed.
- For your records and ours, please fill out a donation slip those details who you are and your type of donations.

Do not leave donations outside during off hours as we cannot utilize abandoned items.