

The United Methodist Open Door's Community Food Ministry 2019 Fact Sheet & Assistance Guidelines

What is required for assistance?

- Must be 130% of Federal Poverty Guideline

# In family	Gross income per month
1	\$1,354
2	\$1,832
3	\$2,311
4	\$2,790
5	\$3,269
6	\$3,748
7	\$4,227
8	\$4,705

\$479 for each additional family member beyond 8
- Persons with special circumstances, such as large medical expenses, will be considered in making income requirements. Please have them call ahead, 267-4201.
- Identification for all members of the household
- Verification of income, if any.
- Proof of address (we do not serve homeless individuals at the Food Ministry)
- If person(s) received a complete food box in November, they cannot return until December. We hope to have turkeys for the families who come the first part of December.

Hours of Turkey & Food Distribution

- Turkey distribution will begin on Monday, November 25th, 2019 at the Open Door Community Food Ministry, 2130 E 21st N.
- Thanksgiving week **only**, the food ministry will be open Monday – Wednesday 8:30a.m. – Noon and 1 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Hours for Accepting Food Donations

- Donations will be accepted Saturday, November 23rd from 9 a.m. – Noon
- Thanksgiving week, Monday through Wednesday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

B98 FM's 29th Annual Turkey Drive to benefit our community through United Methodist Open Door's Community Food Ministry

Who: Sponsor B98 FM and United Methodist Open Door, an agency that provides basic services – food, clothing and shelter – to those in need, is holding its 29th Annual Turkey Drive.

What: 29th Annual Turkey Drive hosted by B98 FM, benefiting United Methodist Open Door. People in our community are being asked to donate turkeys and the trimmings – or provide cash donations – to feed needy families this holiday season.

When: Friday, November 22nd from 7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Where: Drop-off locations include:

- **Water Walk Hotel** at 515 S Main St. (Backside on Water St.) – **7:00am to 11:00am only!**
- **Dillon's Marketplace** at 7707 E Central (Rock and Central) **7:00am to 1pm only!**
- **Community Food Ministry** at 2130 E. 21st St. N. (21st and Opportunity Dr.) - **1:00pm to 5:00pm**
- **OR – donate via our Virtual Turkey Drive** - online at www.umopendoor.org – click on **Donate Now**, then select **Turkey Drive** as your designation before checking out. We accept American Express, Visa, Master Card, Discover Card, and Virtual Check (bank drafts).

Why: As the local and national economy continue to struggle, the need for food assistance remains high. Open Door's Food Ministry is witnessing numerous families in need again this year. For example:

- **For the first 10 months of 2019 (Jan – Oct) the Food Ministry will serve approximately 17,595 food boxes to families. With two months remaining, we expect to serve an additional 4,450 families by year end.**
- **We are seeing multiple families within one household. Families are combining resources to stretch limited food budget dollars.**

Open Door's busiest months, November and December, are upon us. During the holiday season, it is important to have enough food donations to help these families in need. For Thanksgiving, please consider donating items common to a well-rounded traditional dinner such as stuffing, cranberries, boxed mashed potatoes, gravy, etc. Year-round needs include canned vegetables, fruit, soups and peanut butter.