Think outside the can!

Food and fund drives can be creative and fun events that double as team-building experiences for your office, school, church or organization. Use your drive in conjunction with an anniversary; make it a competition among departments; or create an event such as a scavenger hunt around your drive. When collecting food, remember that The Food Bank is focused on sharing foods that encourage healthy lifestyles. Here are some most-needed items.

DONATE FOR DENIM
Raise money to help The Food Bank share fresh food by allowing employees to wear jeans on certain days in exchange for a donation.

Because of our ability to purchase bulk food at reduced costs, every $1 raised equates to $21 worth of groceries!

BUDDY PACK DRIVE
Peanut butter is a shelf-stable, kid-friendly source of protein we provide monthly to children who rely on our Buddy Pack Program.

It is also one of our more expensive items to purchase. You can help by hosting a peanut butter only food drive.

PROMOTE PROTEIN
The Food Bank is focused on sharing foods that encourage healthy lifestyles, such as protein. Help us increase protein distribution by asking for specific types of food donations.

Collect foods such as canned tuna, canned chicken, peanut butter and beans.

CAN BE HEALTHY
While fresh produce is always preferable to canned goods, perishable items cannot be donated through traditional food drives. But you can still help us share fruits and vegetables.

Host a food drive collecting canned fruits and vegetables and help encourage good health.

VIRTUAL DRIVE
With monetary donations, The Food Bank is able to acquire and distribute fresh, healthier options such as fresh, frozen options such as produce, frozen products and dairy products.

Host a virtual drive to collect and track donations. We can help you set up a form that is specific to your drive.

For every $10 gift made, we can acquire $210 worth of groceries!

Ready to get started?

Here are a few more tips to keep in mind:
Help us be efficient and save on labor costs by designating boxes or barrels solely for specific food items such as grains (cereal, rice), canned foods or peanut butter.

Please do not collect homemade or home-canned items, and make sure items are properly sealed and labeled.

Register your drive at sharefoodbringhope.org/fooddrive or contact Guy Clow at (573) 447-6608 or gclow@sharefoodbringhope.org.