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Top Food Need for April: **Tuna**

West Valley Food Pantry Volunteers and Supporters,

Recent Events:

The **Nothing Bundt Cakes** fundraiser brought in \$116. Thank you to Bonnie Abel and all of our supporters who visited the store and made a purchase.



Tarzana Providence Hospital donated 13 cases of beef ravioli

Fusion Academy donated several cases of cereal

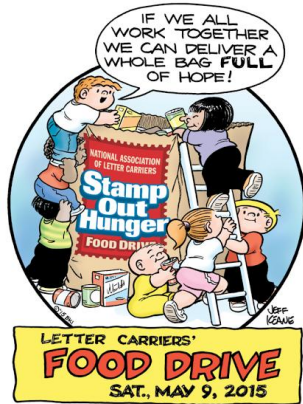
DC Collectives donated 12 large boxes of food donations

Upcoming Events:

Saturday, May 9th - National Letter Carriers Food Drive

This event is one of our largest and longest running food drives. We have collected between 20,000 and 26,000 pounds of food each year for more than 5 years. **Please join us!**

Volunteers are requested from **3-5 or 5-7 shifts**. Please RSVP to this email if you have a group of 4 or more. If you have a truck and are interested in delivering food from the Woodland Hills post office to the Pantry, call Jeff Albee.



Sunday, May 17th, concert at St. Luke's for Keepin' Fire has been cancelled

Saturday thru Monday, May 23-25, The 42nd Annual Valley Greek Festival at St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, 9501 Balboa Blvd, Northridge, CA 91325 <http://www.valleygreekfestival.com/>

The West Valley Food Pantry will have 2 hour shifts from 1- 7pm to work a pantry booth, collect donations, hand out festival coupons and brochures about the pantry. If you are available to work the booth, please contact Diana Plotkin at this email address wvfoodpantry@gmail.com.



VALLEY GREEK FESTIVAL CARES!
Bring a can of food for the West Valley Food Pantry and **get a \$1 off** any food item or non-alcoholic drink. Or buy one raffle ticket and get one free !!
 It's the Pantry's 30th year serving the community !!
Needed items Peanut Butter (18-24 oz plastic jars), Canned Soups, Canned Vegetables, or Canned Fruits

Monday, May 25th the Pantry will be closed for Memorial Day.

June 6, June 7, and June 14 - Bizer's Carmen at the Madrid Theatre in Canoga Park

Stage Opera has selected the West Valley Food Pantry as the recipient of the food raised from their production of Carmen. They are also graciously offering our clients free tickets, we have a flyer at the pantry to let our clients know about this opportunity. Last year they raised 340 pounds of food, so this is exciting. **We are looking for 2 volunteers at each production to give out pantry information. Free tickets to the event will be given to the volunteers. SIGN UP NOW!**



On-Going Events:

First Saturday - Supermarket Food Drive at Sprouts at Ventura and Topanga Canyon. Volunteers are needed for 2 hour shifts from 10am to 4pm. To sign up, call Jeff Albee. This is a great activity for school service hours if you are over 16.

The **Prince of Peace garden** is in full bloom. Each day vegetables are picked and served to our clients. Recipes will accompany the vegetables provided to our clients. Thank you Barbara Partridge for the beautiful garden. If anyone is interested in helping pick in June, Barbara can be contacted through the POP office.

Volunteer News:

Tributes - You can honor or remember someone and also help the pantry. There are 2 ways to send a tribute, 1) make a donation on Paypal and note the persons name and reason for tribute/honor in the memo field or 2) mail a check to 5700 Rudnick Avenue, Woodland hills, CA 91367 C/O West Valley Food Pantry with a note providing the name of the person and reason you wish to remember/honor them.

We would like to remember/honor the following tributes in April:

4 Tributes in memory of **Julian Brantley**, former board member from WH Methodist Church

5 Tributes in memory of **James Shelly**, a St Luke's concert supporter

In memory of **Chris Pollan**, husband of Alane Pollan, pantry volunteer and board secretary

April Statistics: **P.O.P.** **Rescate**

Families Served 673 397

Adults 1,083 686

Children 423 506

Total Meals Served **24,282**

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