

## Caring and Sharing

- Provides Thanksgiving food boxes, gift cards for perishable food items, and clothing vouchers in partnership with Interfaith Ministries.
- Provides Christmas food boxes, gift cards for perishable food items, toys and clothing for children, and gift certificates for teens.
- Identifies families in need through churches, schools and other service organizations within our area. Holds interviews and screens clients to verify residency and need.
- Collects food through drives conducted by churches, schools, businesses, and civic organizations in our community.
- Collects funds through fundraisers and donations by individuals, businesses, civic organizations, and churches in our area.
- Adopts projects periodically to meet a need that has been identified, i.e.: funds provided to local schools to provide weekend meals for children.
- Provides resources during times of emergency and crises in our area.
- Any excess food after the Christmas distribution weekend is made available to local churches and agencies in south Santa Rosa County that provide for individuals in need on a year-round basis.

## Everyone can help!

- Pass this information to individuals or families who may need help this year.
  - Make a monetary donation which will be used to purchase gift cards for perishable food items and clothing vouchers for the children.
  - Donate non-perishable food (no glass please) during the community food drives designated for Caring and Sharing.
  - Attend our informal monthly planning meeting. We meet at the Community Life Center the second Monday of the month. Please see our website calendar for more information.
  - Volunteer before and/or on distribution weekends. If you want to help, you are welcome and needed. Call 396-0321 or use the "Contact Us" feature of the website
- If you know of a family or individual who needs help in other areas, please have them call Santa Rosa First Call for Help: 850-983-7200.

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For over 30 years, Caring and Sharing has provided holiday assistance for those in need living in South Santa Rosa County

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## Are you in need of holiday assistance?

Any individual/family in need this holiday season **must** attend one of our three interview sessions. Applications must be approved in order to receive assistance.

**Interview sessions will be held ONLY at the following location on the dates listed below:**

Liberty Church  
6006 Gulf Breeze Pkwy.  
Gulf Breeze, FL  
(next to Meredith Lumber, Hwy 98)

Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>  
2:00-4:00

Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>  
2:00-4:00

Monday, October 16<sup>th</sup>  
5:00-8:00

Child care is not provided, so please make other arrangements for children.

## Eligibility requirements Please bring all of these documents with you for interviews:

- ✓ **Proof of Identity - Photo ID for all adults, AND birth certificates for all children (for age verification purposes only). SOCIAL SECURITY CARDS ARE NO LONGER ACCEPTED!**
- ✓ Letter of Eligibility for food stamps from DCF (if applicable).
- ✓ Proof of residence (recent utility bill) You **MUST** live in South Santa Rosa County **AND** have a Navarre or Gulf Breeze street address. *The boundary lines are:* East to Okaloosa/Santa Rosa County Line; North to the Yellow River Bridge; West to include Gulf Breeze, Navarre, & Pensacola beach.
- ✓ Proof of ALL household income (pay stub, W-2 form, SSI form, etc.)
- ✓ Rent/Mortgage receipt (recent month)

Other information needed:

- ✓ Dietary restrictions of the household.
- ✓ Underwear/diaper, shirt, pant, and shoe sizes for children.
- ✓ Wish list items for children. They may choose ONE gift type: a bike/trike/wagon OR 3 toy items. The more specific description, the better.

Clients will only be contacted after interviews if there is question regarding documentation/eligibility.

## Holiday Distribution

Approved clients will receive their assistance at the following locations on the dates listed below:

### **Thanksgiving**

Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>,  
12:00-3:00

Oriole Beach Elementary School  
1260 Oriole Beach Road, Gulf Breeze

### **Christmas**

Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>,  
12:00-3:00

West Navarre Intermediate  
1970 Cotton Bay Lane, Navarre

### Helpful hints for distribution:

- Bring a photo ID and your client postcard.
- If you cannot pick up your assistance, others may pick up for you. They will need a written letter from you and their photo ID to do so.
- Child care is not provided. Also, large items such as bikes are not hidden, so children may see gifts that are being picked up.
- If possible, bring a vehicle large enough to pick up all of your items, particularly items such as bikes and wagon