Now Offering Assistance with CalFresh Applications

Our CalFresh Coordinator Tricia Fernandez will assist our clients through the entire application process.

It starts with our Curbside team who ask new and existing clients if they have CalFresh. From there they can make an appointment with Tricia and apply for Food Benefits.

Thanks to the Mendocino County Health and Human Services branch for providing us with a grant. Look for our CalFresh table at the Farmer’s Market.

Our volunteers bring so much joy and passion to the Fort Bragg Food Bank. When our volunteers are thriving the food bank is thriving! If you’ve thought about volunteering but haven’t quite made it here don’t hesitate… Bring a buddy!

Many of our volunteers have partnered up to give their time and also have fun together. Whether you’ve been friends for life or just met, volunteering together is twice the fun!

Come check out our Farmstand and assist with keeping it stocked and visit with other community members. Make kids bags, sort through vegetables, assist on curbside, make home deliveries, fold bags, help in the kitchen, and more! We have also partnered with some of our local businesses to offer volunteer incentives to our new and existing volunteers.

Thank you for always going the extra mile!
We love you and miss you dearly.

CLOTHING CLOSET

Thanks to the commitment of our staff and volunteers every Friday we now have a free clothing exchange! This program has been a hit with all our community members. This event happens every Friday from 11-4 (weather permitting) in front of our Farmstand under the pop up tent at 901 N Franklin St. As you drive by you can see full racks of clothes of all sizes, ages, and colors. This service is completely free and open to anyone who can use clothes. We also invite you to donate any clothing that no longer serves you.

WANT TO VOLUNTEER FOR THIS EVENT?
Contact Lisi Martinez volunteer@fbfoodbank.org

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New Pantry Opens in Albion

Fort Bragg Food Bank is pleased to announce a new pantry in Albion! The Albion Food Pantry is open on Wednesdays from 3:30-6:30 thanks to spectacular volunteer Jaime Placido. The Albion Volunteer Fire Department has donated the use of their fire station and currently the pantry is averaging about 30 households a week. This pantry distributes fresh produce, bread, meat, pantry staples, milk, eggs, and much more!

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The Joy of Volunteering

Families Fed in Mendocino County
2,947

Meals Served
31,268

Volunteer Hours Contributed
3,898

Pounds of Food Distributed
682,354

THANK YOU TO OUR DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS!
Visit FortBraggFoodBank.org and contact us today!

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Staff Spotlight

Meet Rachelle Sutherland, our Outreach Coordinator. A joyful spirit always ready to help with a gracious and friendly smile. Her role as the Outreach Coordinator has been vital to our growth over the past couple of years. She has developed strong relationships with the pantry leaders throughout Mendocino County and is diligently working on improving their sites and distributions through our Rural and Remote program. The focus has been to provide improved refrigeration, storage, technology, and access to food. She is a natural when it comes to helping others.

THANK YOU, RACHELLE, YOU’RE A ROCK STAR!

Note from Director Amanda Friscia

With your support we are on track to distribute 2 million pounds of food throughout Mendocino County by the end of 2022. This would be a record for our county. In our Food Distribution Network, we have 14 food pantries and 4 soup kitchens spread throughout the county. Recent additions include Albion Food Pantry and United Disaster Relief. We have partnered with the local daycares and preschools to provide families directly with kids bags and diapers. With the rising cost of groceries and gas hopefully this provides some relief and support.

I am impressed by the dedicated staff and volunteers that commit so much of their time and energy to help others so effortlessly. Together we can do so much more. Thank you for your commitment to end food insecurity and lifting the spirits of many.

OUR STAFF

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Cafe Beaujolais  Harvest at Mendosas
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