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### ***Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive is this Saturday***

Pensacola, FL (May 11, 2023) – Residents of Northwest Florida are invited to participate in the nation’s – and our community’s – largest, single-day food drive of the year tomorrow, May 13, by leaving healthy, nonperishable food donations in or near their mailboxes for their letter carriers to pick up.

“It’s the easiest way to donate,” said DeDe Flounlacker, Executive Director of Manna Food Pantries. “Simply place your food donations at your mailbox, and your letter carrier will do the rest!”

Letter Carriers will literally pick up tons of much-needed food donations at mailboxes across Escambia and Santa Rosa counties this Saturday, as part of the Stamp Out Hunger food drive.

Residents can participate by leaving non-perishable food donations at their mailboxes on May 13<sup>th</sup> for letter carriers to collect. Bags for the donations were previously delivered.

Suggested healthy, non-perishable food items include canned fruit in 100% juice, canned mixed vegetables, canned chicken, canned tuna, dry breakfast items (oatmeal, whole-grain cereal), peanut butter, and/or dry beans. Residents should **not** donate items in glass containers or items that have been opened or homemade.

Donations will benefit local food banks and pantries in both counties, helping to ensure that families in need have access to nutritious food. Locally collected food donations will assist individuals and families served by Manna Food Pantries, Feeding the Gulf Coast, ACTS Ministries, We Care Ministries, and Warrington Emergency Aid Center.

The Stamp Out Hunger food drive, organized by the National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC), is in its 31<sup>st</sup> year. It is the largest one-day food drive in the country. Last year, Escambia and Santa Rosa letter carriers collected 188,813 pounds of food from generous residents.

For more information about the annual *Stamp Out Hunger* food drive, please visit [uwwf.org/sohfb](http://uwwf.org/sohfb).

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