How to Setup a Successful Food Drive

Food Drives are easy and fun!
Complete the Successful Food Drive check list to maximize your time and donations!

- Pick a place to collect: work, local supermarket, school, through a club or sport
- Get a YES from management or leaders to start collecting
- Pick start and finish dates. You can host for 1 day, 2 weeks, or year round!
- Determine how many boxes you can fill. Each box holds approx. 100 pounds
- Register your food drive with LI Cares Food Drive Coordinator. Review and complete food drive registration form
- Download posters and make banners and flyers to promote your drive
- Place the food drive collection box in a place people will notice it
- Set a poundage goal and keep track of donations throughout the drive
- Create a friendly challenge to collect the most donations using incentives (incentives ideas: raffle prizes, 15 minute extra lunch break, a certificate, or pizza party)
- All donations must be packed in boxes prior to LI Cares pickup
- Be sure to give a valid mailing address for donation acknowledgment (everyone gets thanked. You will receive a letter or a postcard depending on pounds donated)

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The Harry Chapin Food Bank

For more information on food drives please see our FAQ or email fooddrive@licares.org