

Delta Christian Community Food Pantry

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION



1. **Volunteer Form** – Please complete and return to one of our intake volunteers. We will put you on our email information list.
2. **Delta Christian Community Food Pantry Brochure**- Learn more about our organization and important contact information.
3. **TEFAP required training** (only required for those working on Tuesdays). Please read and complete the training documents, and return with Volunteer Form.
4. Please read the remaining important information on this page!

Where do we distribute the food?

Each Tuesday, food is distributed at three locations: St. Anne's Church, Byron at 8:45 am, Calvary Church in Knightsen at 10:30 am, and New Covenant church in Bethel Island at 11:30. These times are estimates depending on how quickly we can unload, load, and clean up. It's a big operation! The food is loaded into our two pantry vehicles: the "meat van" with freezers, and the "box truck" with the pallets of canned goods and produce. Bread, cereal, dairy, more produce, and other items are loaded in volunteer vehicles. In addition to the pantry's own two vehicles we use 4 or 5 vehicles of volunteers each week. Let us know if you have a truck or are able to carry some food! Sometimes we need a backup or extra space.

Are there any guidelines?

The number one guideline is to have a servant's heart. We are here to serve our clients (aka neighbors) and each other. Greeting others with a smile, showing them grace and respecting their dignity is part of our goal of being the hands and feet of Jesus.

Other than that:

1. Use clean disposable gloves whenever directly handling food like bagels, eggs, or meat products.
2. It is recommended that you wear work gloves to protect your own hands and reduce spread of germs.
3. Stay attentive when distributing food. Remember we are working around moving cars. Focus on your job and reduce conversations to keep the line moving and for your own safety.
4. "Can I take some food?" All this yummy food is so tempting 😊 Please do not take food for yourself. As a volunteer we ask that if you would like to receive food, that you please sign up as a client. It is important for us to track how much food we are giving and to whom we are giving it. Occasionally at the end of the day we have an abundance of leftover items and we will offer them to volunteers.