

Current Partners

Name of Community Organization	Program Purpose/ Population	Reach and Notes	Food Preferences and Delivery
Manna Meals- Nicholasville United Methodist Church <i>(Meal Provider)</i>	Provide hot meals to food insecure community members	<p>~125 meals are served each Saturday to food insecure community members. People dine-in and will also take meals home in to-go containers.</p> <p>Prior to covid it was 200-300 meals. Their numbers are growing.</p> <p>Limitations: ?</p> <p>Storage: they have plenty of storage space, freezers and refrigerators. They have been able to store 3 SUV loads of refrigerated foods.</p> <p>Nutrition services informally discussed with the program director include nutrient analysis of recipes, recipe ideas, and handouts for program participants that provide food handling and use and nutrition education.</p>	<p>Preferred foods: They are open to any kind of produce as their staff is creative with recipes. They could use things such as eggs, butter, and meat.</p> <p>Delivery times: the director is available anytime or can find someone to receive produce/food deliveries. She just needs to know ahead of time and would prefer that deliveries are made prior to Saturday because cooking starts around 8 – 9am on Saturdays.</p>
Kentucky United Methodist Children's Homes-Safe Haven Independent Living Program <i>(Meal Preparer)</i>	The program serves young adults 17-20 years currently under commitment to the Department of Community Based Services and the Department of Juvenile Justice. The independent living program helps the young adults develop life-skills to transition	<p>The young adults live in independent facilities which house ~2 residents per apartment. Each apartment includes shared kitchen space.</p> <p>Currently there are 14 kitchens plus a test kitchen. In November 2024 they added 12 more kitchens (likely ~24 more residents) located at Revive 1749 (1749 Liberty Road, but deliveries will still go to Danielle Lane (main campus).</p> <p>The El Camino Project is another program that is linked to the Kentucky Methodist</p>	<p>Residents receive donated foods through the program and purchase their own. Residents are eligible to apply for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits.</p> <p>Residents prepare their own meals. There is space available for cooking demonstrations and education classes in their community kitchen.</p> <p>Preferred produce/food: no preferences. They will take anything.</p>

	<p>from dependence to independence.</p>	<p>Children's Home. They can take excess produce if there is too much for the Central KY location. El Camino Project is operated in Owensboro (Western KY). The director is involved with this project and her excess food can be given to them.</p> <p>The director and a staff member, a teacher from Eastern Kentucky University that is a culinary expert cook for the residents a couple times a week. Also, program staff will spend time in residents' apartments showing them how to cook in their kitchen.</p> <p>Limitations: They are in desperate need of help regarding nutrition and food preparation for their residents. They are also in need of free nutritious foods.</p> <p>Nutrition services: the needs are great and specific ways to assist will be revealed once formal assessments are conducted.</p>	<p>Delivery times: They grocery shop on the 1st and 15th of each month. There are people in the office M-F to receive produce.</p>
<p>Revive Life House Drug and Alcohol Addiction Recovery Center for Men <i>(Meal Provider and Meal Preparer)</i></p>	<p>The 3-phase recovery program serves men suffering from substance use disorder. Depending on the phase, clients are either receiving residential or outpatient treatment. Residents live in Revive Life houses. Initially their meals are provided, but as they progress in their recovery they are responsible for preparing their own</p>	<p>~100 total male clients.</p> <p>~64 residential clients that Revive prepares and provides meals.</p> <p>~35 clients are spread across 3 houses with shared kitchens within each house.</p> <p>Limitations: they do not have a central kitchen for meal preparation. Each house has a kitchen. There is limited storage for fresh produce. They will need assistance with recipe ideas and freezing protocols.</p> <p>Nutrition services: their space is not used effectively for storage or food service</p>	<p>Residential clients (~64) are provided breakfast, lunch and dinner meals.</p> <p>The provided meals differ with the recovery phase. Clients either purchase food on their own or they acquire meals through feeding programs such as Manna Meals Saturday meals.</p> <p>There is space available for cooking demonstrations and education classes.</p> <p>Preferred produce: clients prefer produce that they are used to such as tomatoes, corn, cucumbers, peppers, potatoes, and would love fruit. However, Revive is open to produce unfamiliar to clients</p>

	meals in a shared kitchen.	related activities. Therefore, their operations needs to be evaluated. The menus also need to be evaluated for FLW reduction practices and nutrition value.	because WiN-WiN are willing to help with recipe development and sampling. Delivery times: M-F from 8 – 5 someone can be available to receive produce
Jessamine County Food Pantry <i>(Whole Food Distributer)</i>	Provides foods to Jessamine County residents experiencing food and nutrition insecurity	<p>~ 400 households or 1,200 – 1,300 people per month.</p> <p>Participants come to the pantry during open business hours on designated weekdays and hours to pick-up food items.</p> <p>God's Pantry/Feeding America deliveries on Monday morning. On Monday mornings excess/perishable foods are set out (table day). People can come get it as they need it.</p> <p>Tues and Thursday afternoons. 50lb food boxes are distributed monthly that contain shelf stable foods, frozen meats and some fresh items.</p> <p>They do food rescue from Walmart and other local stores. They have one farmer who gives them eggs here and there. No regular drop offs by farmers.</p> <p>Limitations: storage for perishable and dry foods is limited.</p> <p>Storage: has some cold storage- a few freezers, has two upright freezer/refrigerator that can flip back and forth (4 can be refrigerators, single upright all can be refrigerator).</p>	<p>Preferred foods: eggs, any kind of raw produce, fruit would be great but understand that it might not be available.</p> <p>Delivery times: JCFP gives food out on Tues and Thursday afternoons. Volunteers are available on MTR and those are the best time to receive food in the mornings. 45 – 60 clients on a Tuesday or Thursday.</p>

		<p>Nutrition services: need recipe ideas for clients that coincide with items in the food boxes. They are also open to providing FLW reduction and nutrition education handouts in the boxes.</p>	
<p>Family Food Center Food Bank at Bethel Harvest Church (<i>Whole Food Distributer</i>)</p>	<p>Provides foods to ~110 families primarily in Jessamine and some Fayette County residents experiencing food and nutrition insecurity</p>	<p>~ 110 families are served weekly each Thursday. Using a very organized drive-through system, participants are provided with a box of food containing a range of perishable and non-perishable foods. Bethel Harvest is a member of God's Food Pantry/Feeding America. They glean primarily from grocery stores, and a couple of restaurants including Little Caesar's Pizza and Starbucks, and accept non-perishable donations from individual donors.</p> <p>Program recipients are primarily residents of Jessamine County with some Fayette County residents. Participants must bring a valid photo ID showing proof of residency.</p> <p>Strengths: they have dry storage a total of 19 refrigerators and freezers that are both upright and chest models. Gleaning from stores begins on Friday morning and continues until Thursday when food is distributed.</p> <p>They will accept any type of produce and food. They are confident in their ability to move food.</p> <p>Limitations: ?</p> <p>Food is distributed on Thursdays from 5 – 6pm. They can accept food M-F during work hours, but for the WiN-WiN program</p>	

		<p>they will serve as a drop-off site for people to bring their produce 1-3 on Thursdays.</p> <p>Nutrition services- run a nutrient analysis and food group analyses on the box of food; provide recipes that coincide with the food in the boxes. They are also open to providing FLW reduction and nutrition education handouts in the boxes.</p>	
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