News Release
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Next Roseburg Food Project Pickup is December 13

The next pickup of food donated in the green shopping bags for the Roseburg Food Project will be this Saturday morning December 13. Neighborhood coordinators will be picking up the green shopping bags of donated food from their neighbors or co-workers. They will bring the donated food to the FISH Food Pantry on Saturday between 9:30 am and 1:30 pm. Neighborhood coordinators from a few businesses and organizations will also be picking up the donated food and taking it to the FISH Pantry on Friday afternoon December 12.

The need for donated food is high, as a result of continuing very high demand for emergency food assistance in Douglas County. During the past 12 months The FISH Food Pantry provided free emergency food boxes to an average of 1,100 low-income Douglas County households per month, including 4,330 persons per month. Almost one-third of those served are children. During October The FISH Food Pantry provided emergency food boxes to 1,253 households, which included 4,923 people. This was the largest number of families served in a month in the 43-year history of The FISH.

Each green shopping bags of donated food from the Food Project is providing at least 10 meals to one of our neighbors that is dealing with hunger. At this time, the Pantry is in particular need of baby food, boxed cereal, canned fruit, peanut butter, and canned meat. Donations of soup and canned vegetables will also be greatly appreciated.

During each of the six food collections for the Roseburg Food Project during the past year food donors have donated an average of 10,000 pounds of food to the FISH Food Pantry. Since the start of the Roseburg Food Project in August of 2012 it has collected 120,000 pounds of donated food.

More information about the Roseburg Food Project is available at: RoseburgFoodProject.org

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