# **Fundraising Toolkit**





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We're pleased to provide you with this toolkit to help in your efforts to raise money. Enclosed you will find guidance about social media, quotes from the neighbors we help, our most needed items list and detailed information about our fundraising platform. If you have any questions or concerns along the way, please contact <u>us</u> for assistance.

We are able to do what we do and distribute meals to our neighbors in their times of need because of your support. Together, we are making a difference!

#### **OVERVIEW**

Hunger is a real and serious issue in our communities. With your help, Feed More is here for those neighbors when they need us most.

Feed More collects, prepares and distributes food to our neighbors in need through its programs. Through our <u>Network of Agencies</u> and programs that serve 29 counties and five cities through Central Virginia. And neighbors know when they live in an area with limited access to food, our <u>Mobile Pantry</u> will be there for them, providing fresh, nutritious food for well-balanced meals.

Students at risk of hunger have a hot meal at the end of the day through our <u>Kids Cafe program</u>. Weekends are worry free because of our <u>BackPack program</u> and <u>School Market</u>. And when school is out, our <u>Summer Food Service Program</u> helps ensure kids and teens across our region will have access to healthy breakfast and lunch meals.

Seniors in our community can rest easy because someone will check on them to ensure they are safe, deliver a nutritious meal and share a friendly smile through our <u>Meals on Wheels program</u>. <u>The Commodity Supplemental Food program</u> supports the nutritional needs of low-income seniors by providing wholesome food to supplement their diet while helping stretch their food dollars.



#### **FEED MORE SOCIAL MEDIA HANDLES**

Tag us in any and all social media posts so we can further the reach of your efforts. Here is where you can find us:

 Facebook - Feed More
 Instagram - @FeedMoreInc

 Twitter(X) - @FeedMoreInc
 LinkedIn - Feed More

# **ABOUT HUNGER IN CENTRAL VIRGINIA**

- In Central Virginia, it is estimated 1 in 9 of our neighbors, struggle with hunger.
- And of that, 1 in 6 kids, aren't receiving the necessary nutrition.
- Many of the neighbors Feed More helps are the working poor, who are struggling to consistently make ends meet.
- 65-70% of the people we serve are forced to make tough choices every day between food vs. rent or mortgage, utilities, medical and transportation expenses.
- We've seen a 48% increase in clients visiting our food pantries for the first time during the first half of 2022 compared to the same period last year.

## **ABOUT FEED MORE**

- Feed More collects, prepares and distributes food across five cities and 29 counties in Central Virginia.
- In 2022, Feed More distributed more than 28 million meals, or nearly 34 million pounds of food, through our programs and network of more than 250 food pantries and agencies.
- For every \$1 donated, Feed More can help distribute four meals to neighbors in need.

# **ADDITIONAL MESSAGING**

To put a face to hunger and the individuals we help, please feel free to use these quotes in the promotion of your fundraiser.

- "Feed More is a blessing. The resources here are fresh, everyone is friendly, and it's helped us tremendously. We get fresh vegetables, fresh meat, unlike some of the other places that we do go to... You provide the blessing to me, and I spread my blessing on to someone else. You pay it forward, so that's what I believe in doing." Alice, Richmond Sheriff's Office mobile pantry in Richmond, VA
- "It's very important that we have a place where we can receive free food and at good quality. We are very happy. There are a lot of people in need and this place is very vital."-Sadiqa, the ICNA Relief food pantry in Richmond, VA
- "The truth is that it has helped my family a lot. I have three kids (ages 10, 4, and 1), and when I come to get food at the pantry, it always helps me to save money a little bit more."– Alexander, Colonial Heights food pantry in Colonial Heights, VA



# FEEDMORES MOST NEEDED ITEMS

Please <u>no</u> glass containers of any kind.



#### PEANUT BUTTER Creamy or crunchy



CANNED FRUITS In its own juice or water



WHOLE GRAIN CEREAL

Hot or cold





#### LEAN CANNED PROTEINS

Tuna, salmon or chicken in water



TOMATO PRODUCTS Spaghetti sauce or diced tomatoes



WHOLE GRAINS

Pasta, brown rice, quinoa



#### CANNED VEGETABLES Low sodium or no salt added



BEANS

Canned or dry



HEALTHY SNACKS

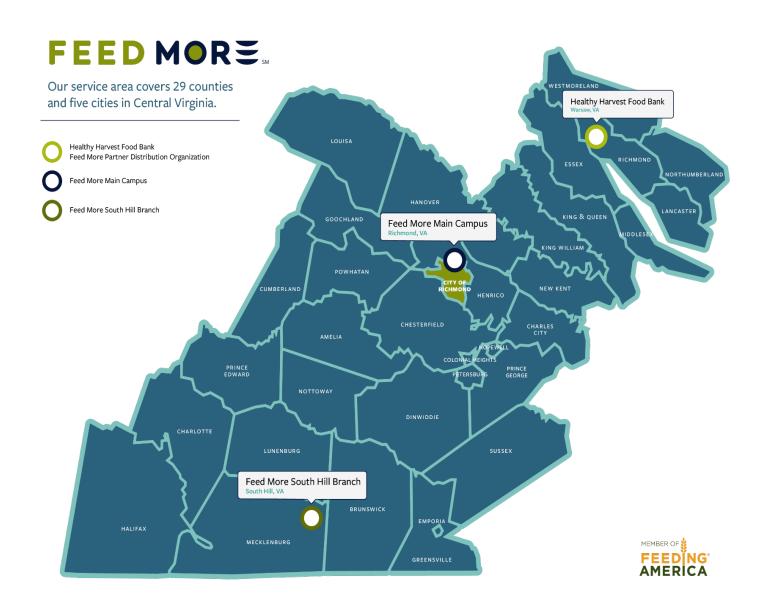
Fruit cups, raisins, granola bars



Canola, coconut, olive, vegetable



# FED MORE



Additionally, here is a <u>link to our photo library</u> where you will find our logos, maps of our service area, fact sheets and a TON of images for you to use as you see fit.



#### **GET INVOLVED**

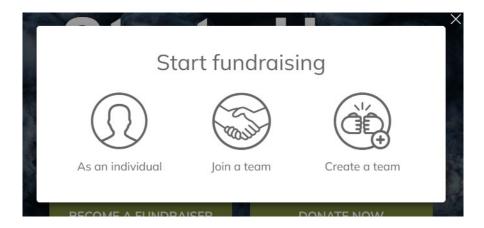
Feed More's online donation platform, Classy, allows for team landing pages, including team logos, goals and progress trackers and individual fundraising pages, which allow members of your teams to fundraise on your behalf. If you should have any questions about using our donation platform, please don't hesitate to contact us.

1. Start your fundraising efforts!



Fundraiser"

2. When you select "Become a Fundraiser" three options will appear: As an individual, Join a team or Create a team.





#### **AS AN INDIVIDUAL**

When you fundraise as an individual, you will create an individual fundraising page to share with your friends and family encouraging your network to support your campaign. You'll set a fundraising goal, create your own personal story and select your own images to customize your page.

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	donated helps provide 40 meals to those in need. Please consider giving through my page. The process is fast, easy and secure. Thanks so much for your support and please don't forget to send this page to any friends you think might be interested in donating!	
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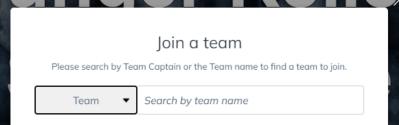
Start your page by setting a goal, creating a headline and a custom URL!

Personalize your page with images and stories to inspire your network to feed more.



## **JOIN A TEAM**

If someone has already created a team page that you'd like to donate to, you can find a listing of all pages by selecting join a team.



# **START A TEAM**

Set Team Fundraising Goal*   Currency cannot be changed once a donation to your team has been made.   USD • \$ 500.00   Team Page Headline*   Help feed more in Central Virginial   35/255   Set your Team Page's Short URL (optional)   https://give.fredmore.org/ExampleShortUrl   Start typing   It's OK to contact me in the future.	sonalize your page wit ges and stories to inspir r network to feed more	
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Every dollar counts and every \$10 helps provide	40 meals!	
CREATE TEAM		



### **INDIVIDUAL FUNDRAISING TIPS**

- Make your page as personal as you can! Add images and personal reasons why you're choosing to support Feed More in the fight against hunger.
- Notify your contacts that you're fundraising by sending a few personal messages via email or text and sharing on your social media channels.
- Tag and thank your friends on social media who have given to your page.

# Thank You!

It's your kindness that nourishes our community. And your generosity that empowers lives and provides hope for neighbors struggling with food insecurity. You make all the difference – thank you for that.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to our team. We are happy to assist you in any way possible.