



February 6, 2024

Dear Elected Officials:

As organizations serving food insecure individuals and families in our communities, we hope you will support the creation of a Farm-to-Food Bank program that would provide Kansas grown and raised food for our neighbors in need.

We continue to see people struggling in our communities, with inflation hitting families and seniors on fixed incomes quite hard. While inflation impacts all of us, food inflation, in particular, is especially tough on low-income families.

- People in the lowest income brackets spend nearly 1/3 of their income on food, while the top 20% of earners spend just 8% of their income on food.
- The cost of food rose 23.5% from February 2020 to May 2023.
- The average hourly wage for all workers in the private sector rose 17.1% in the same time period.

No matter how hard our low-income families work, they just seem to keep falling further behind, and they're turning to us for help.

We hope you will support a Farm-to-Food Bank program that would help our local farmers and provide nutritious, Kansas grown and raised food to help us feed our neighbors in need.

Sincerely,

Abilene Food and Clothing Pantry  
High View Church  
Altoona Methodist Food Pantry  
Andover Community Food Bank  
Americus Community Food Pantry  
Anthony Ministerial Association  
Revolution Fellowship  
Manna Ministry  
Streetlight Ministries  
Augusta Community Caring Center

Abilene  
Alta Vista  
Altoona  
Andover  
Americus  
Anthony  
Anthony  
Arkansas City  
Arlington  
Augusta

Bird City Community Food Bank  
Lighthouse Baptist Church  
Christ First  
God's Storehouse  
Caney Valley Agape Network  
Canton Community Foodbank  
Chanute Mobile Food Pantry  
God's Pantry  
Neighbor-2-Neighbor Food Pantry  
Gray County Food Bank  
Genesis of Coffeyville Food Pantry  
Genesis-Thomas County  
Manna House of Prayer  
Derby Food Pantry  
Lane County Health Dept  
The Salvation Army  
Compass Behavioral Health  
Genesis Family Health  
Douglass United Methodist Church  
Crosstimbers Food Pantry  
12 baskets  
Ellis Food Boxes and Pantry  
Cornerstone Baptist Church Food Bank  
Emporia Rescue Mission  
Beacon Food Pantry  
Fredonia Food Bank  
Sacred Heart Community Food Pantry  
Genesis Family Health  
The Salvation Army  
Family Crisis Center  
Hartford Community Food Pantry  
Harveyville United Methodist Church  
Developmental Services of Northwest Kansas  
First Call for Help of Ellis County  
St Joseph Food Pantry and Diaper Closet  
Hugoton Project Hope  
Humboldt Community Food Pantry  
Foodbank of Reno County  
Community Access Center  
Allen County Community Food Pantry  
Humanity House Foundation  
Hodgeman County Health Department  
Fresh Start Emergency Shelter  
Live Well Geary County

Bird City  
Bloom  
Bonner Springs  
Burlington  
Caney  
Canton  
Chanute  
Chanute  
Chanute  
Cimarron  
Coffeyville  
Colby  
Concordia  
Derby  
Dighton  
Dodge City  
Dodge City  
Dodge City  
Douglass  
Edna  
El Dorado  
Ellis  
Emporia  
Emporia  
Fort Scott  
Fredonia  
Frontenac  
Garden City  
Garden City  
Great Bend  
Hartford  
Harveyville  
Hays  
Hays  
Hays  
Hugoton  
Humboldt  
Hutchinson  
Independence  
Iola  
Iola  
Jetmore  
Junction City  
Junction City

Geary County Food Pantry	Junction City
Catholic Charities of Northeast Kanss	Kansas City
Carry the Cross Ministries	Kansas City
Immanuel Community Outreach	Kansas City
Kansas City Community Church	Kansas City
Lutheran Church of Our Savior	Kansas City
Metropolitan Lutheran Ministries Wyandotte	Kansas City
New Life Deliverance Church	Kansas City
Kingman Food Bank	Kingman
First Christian Church	Lacrosse
Kearny County Senior Center	Lakin
Pawnee County Food Pantry	Larned
Orphan Grain Train	Larned
The Salvation Army	Lawrence
Trinity Interfaith Food Pantry	Lawrence
City Center Church	Lenexa
Leonardville Community Church	Leonardville
Genesis Family Health	Liberal
Liberal Area Rape Crisis and Domestic Violence Services	Liberal
First Southern Baptist Church Food Cupboard	Liberal
Puerta Del Cielo Assemblies of God	Liberal
South Church of God	Liberal
The Dala Pantry	Lindsborg
Churches of Osage County United Inc, dba, Help House	Lyndon
Northern Rice County Food Bank	Lyons
Flint Hills Breadbasket	Manhattan
Westview Community Church	Manhattan
Marion County Food Bank	Marion
First Presbyterian Church Delphos/Minneapolis	Minneapolis
Gleanings Food Pantry	Mulvane
Neodesha Food Pantry	Neodesha
Ness City Food Pantry	Ness City
The Salvation Army	Newton
God's Pantry	Norton
God's Food Pantry	Oakley
Ridgeview Village	Olathe
Ecumenical Christian Action Team	Osage City
Osborne Food Pantry	Osborne
East Central Kansas Economic Opportunity Corp.	Ottawa
Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas	Overland Park
Santa Fe Waystation	Overland Park
Overland Park Church of Christ	Overland Park
Jewish Family Services	Overland Park
St. Theresa Parish	Ozawkie

Park City Pride	Park City
Labette Community College	Parsons
Parsons Foursquare Church Food Pantry	Parsons
Phillips County Food Pantry	Phillipsburg
Disciples of the Plains Lutheran Ministry	Phillipsburg
Safehouse Crisis Center	Pittsburg
Plainville Food Pantry	Plainville
Faith Chapel Assembly of God	Pleasanton
Pratt County Food Bank	Pratt
Reach Out Food Pantry	Prescott
Pretty Prairie Food Pantry	Pretty Prairie
Gove County Food Bank	Quinter
Hope Connections of Southeast Butler County	Rose Hill
Cheyenne County Food Pantry	Saint Francis
St. Marys Food Pantry	St. Marys
St. Mary's Knights of Columbus Family Food	St. Marys
Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas	Salina
Central Kansas Community Foundation	Salina
Salina Grace Community Resource Center	Salina
SKIL Resource Center	Sedan
Wallace County Ministerial Alliance Food Pantry	Sharon Springs
Lebanon Housing Authority	Smith Center
Spring Hill Food Pantry	Spring Hill
C4 Food Pantry	Strong City
Hamilton County VIPS	Syracuse
West Side Baptist Church	Topeka
Positive Connections	Topeka
The Church of the Living God	Topeka
Doorstep	Topeka
First Christian Church	Topeka
Indiana Avenue Church of Christ	Topeka
Valeo Behavioral Healthcare	Topeka
Topeka Rescue Mission	Topeka
Fellowship and Faith Food Pantry	Topeka
Washington County—Edith's House Food Pantry	Washington
Wellington Community Food Bank	Wellington
Wetmore Bible Church	Wetmore
Progressive Community Outreach Program	Wichita
HealthCore Clinic	Wichita
College Hill United Methodist Food Pantry	Wichita
Hillside Christian Church Food Pantry	Wichita
Shepherd's Heart Food Pantry	Wichita
Pleasant Valley United Methodist Church Food Share	Wichita
Passageways	Wichita

Madison Fresh Start Food Pantry	Wichita
Simple House	Wichita
The Table	Wichita
The Salvation Army	Wichita
New Beginnings Seventh-Day Adventist Church	Wichita
Chisolm Trail Church of Christ	Wichita
Wichita Children's Home	Wichita
Mirror, Inc.	Wichita
Breakthrough Episcopal Social Services	Wichita
Catholic Charities-Wichita	Wichita
City of Wichita	Wichita
United Methodist Open Door	Wichita
Miracles	Wichita
The Salvation Army ER Services	Wichita
Wichita Fellowship Club	Wichita
Bread of Life	Wichita
The Salvation Army	Wichita
Old Time Gospel Baptist Church Food Pantry	Wichita
ICT Food Rescue	Wichita
Children First	Wichita
St. Patrick-The Lord's Pantry	Wichita
Salud + Bienstar	Wichita
Living Waters Food Pantry	Wichita
Wichita Fellowship Club	Wichita
Sheila's Giving Closet and Pantry	Winfield