



Flint Hills Breadbasket

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BREADBASKET

905 Yuma, Manhattan, KS 66502

Spring Newsletter 2019

A NON-PROFIT FOOD PANTRY

Our mission is to minimize hunger and poverty through the distribution of available foods and to nurture the programs that will help alleviate hunger and poverty.

Swing into Spring with Golf Tournament

The 24th Annual **Take a Swing at Hunger** golf tournament is quickly approaching! This year the event will be held on Monday, May 6th at Stagg Hill Golf Club, 4441 Stagg Hill Rd. and will start at 1 p.m. The rain date is scheduled for May 13th. Many thanks to **Glavan Ford of Clay Center** for being our Corporate Sponsor.

The tournament is part of Project Manhattan (see article below). All skill levels are welcome at the tournament; the day is about having fun and helping those in need here in the Manhattan community.

Participants can gather their own group together and form a team or be placed on a team with other single golfers.

The Awards Buffet, donated by **Texas Roadhouse**, will be held following the tournament. Prizes will be awarded at the end of the day for longest putt, longest drive, closest to the pin, and 1st, 2nd and 3rd place teams. Business owners, get in on the fun with hole sponsorships! For additional golf tournament questions please contact Maribeth at 785-537-0730. We'll see you on the green!

IRA Donations for Charity

Another popular way to transfer IRA assets to charity is via a tax provision which allows IRA owners who are 70 1/2 or older to direct up to \$100,000 of their IRA distributions to charity. The money given to the charity counts toward the donor's required minimum distribution, but doesn't increase the donor's adjusted gross income or generate a tax bill. Keeping the donation out of the donor's adjusted gross income is important because doing so (1) helps the donor qualify for other tax breaks (for example, having a lower AGI can reduce the threshold for deducting medical expenses, which are only deductible to the extent they exceed 7.5% of AGI (10% of AGI for people under age 65 and for everyone after 2016)); (2) reduces taxes on the donor's Social Security benefits and (3) helps the donor avoid a high-income surcharge for Medicare Part B and D premiums (which kick in if AGI is over certain levels).

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Project Manhattan 2019: Operation: Defeat Hunger

Winner of Project Manhattan will receive lunch for 30 from Goodcents Deli Fresh Subs with two locations in Manhattan: 1317 Anderson and 900-A Hayes Dr.



This event helps stock our shelves with needed items for the busy summer months when kids are home from school. Beginning at the end of April and lasting through the month of May, area businesses/organizations challenge one another to see who can raise the most food and funds for the

Breadbasket. Throughout this event there are three meetings, each during the lunch hour, where the business representatives attend to learn about hunger in the community. This year the three meals are sponsored by **R.C. McGraw's, Pie Five Pizza and McAlister's Deli**. There are also many prizes given away at each meeting that are donated from various locations in

Manhattan. If you would like your business to be involved in this purposeful event, please call to speak with the Client Service Coordinator, Melissa at 785-537-0730. The Project Manhattan packets will be distributed in March, these will explain in detail all of the events that are coordinated with this program. Together, let's DEFEAT HUNGER!



Note from the Director, Maribeth

Now that spring is here we are definitely ready for the warmer weather!

The next few fundraisers all happen in May. They will be the Postal Carriers Collection, Project Manhattan and the Flint Hills Breadbasket Golf Tournament, all of which are wonderful ways to get involved helping those that are in need of food assistance. So, if you would like to sponsor or volunteer please let me know.

If you would like a speaker for an event or meeting please give the Breadbasket a call at 785-537-0730 and I would be delighted to tell you about all of our activities. Again, many thanks to all of the wonderful donors and volunteers of the Flint Hills Breadbasket for helping those in need of food assistance; you make such a difference in the lives of so many individuals!

Maribeth

Save the Date — Annual Luncheon

Save the date for the Annual Luncheon, Friday, June 14th, 2019 at 12 noon. Be watching for your postcard in May to RSVP!

Westar Energy and Steel & Pipe Employees give back!

Once again, we are grateful in 2019 for the continued support from Steel & Pipe and Westar employees for their contributions to the Breadbasket. For the last eight years, we have received funding from the Steel & Pipe Employee Charitable Campaign and for the past seven years the Westar Employee Giving Campaign. It's through campaigns like these and people like you that help make the fight against hunger press on!

The Breadbasket receives no **federal, state, county or city funding**. We rely strictly on grants, foundations and private gifts from individuals such as yourselves. Thank you for everyone's continued support of the Breadbasket as you help us promote our mission!

Please accept my tax-deductible donation to support the Flint Hills Breadbasket !

\$500 \$250 \$100 \$50 \$25 Other \$ _____

Name _____
Address _____
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Update on our 2018 Holiday Season

We had three grocery store collections with many wonderful volunteers and donors that helped assist with collecting and donating the food for the 141 Thanksgiving baskets and 167 Christmas baskets!



Thanksgiving Dinner—2018

Special thanks to Mike & Seth of **Old Chicago** and their crew for partnering with the Flint Hills Breadbasket for our 2018 Thanksgiving meal. We served over 700 meals! Many thanks to all of the volunteers that helped cook, serve and clean up and to the donors that make it all possible.

Cats for Cans Game

The Cats for Cans game last fall with the student athletes was very successful! They reached out to the sports facilities and area businesses in order to attain their goal.

The athletes hit the field at the KSU vs. Oklahoma State football game on October 13th and collected \$11,576.00 in donations and 3,442 pounds of food items.

A HUGE shout out to all of the student athletes, and attendees who made these donations possible, and special thanks to Marissa & Joni and the K-State Athletics Department for allowing the Flint Hills Breadbasket to be a part of your team!



A Strong Foundation for the Future

The Greater Manhattan Community Foundation donated \$10,000 to buy milk, eggs and margarine for families and seniors in need throughout the 2018-2019 year. Without any funding at the federal, state, county or city level, Flint Hills Breadbasket relies on the help of donations and grants like the ones they have received from the Greater Manhattan Community Foundation to provide for the community. With the help of Flint Hills Breadbasket staff, along with all of their great volunteers, each day we are one step closer to ensuring no one in the community goes hungry!

Outstanding Contributions



- * Thank you Wheat State Agronomy Club for the outstanding \$5,000 donation. You are helping many families in the community provide meals on their table for the holiday season!
- * Thank you to Enterprise Rent-A-Car Foundation. Their Fill Your Tank Feeding Program was a great success and they were able to donate \$5,000 to the Flint Hills Breadbasket!
- * Thank you DuPont Pioneer for the \$2,000 donation. The funds will provide the Flint Hills Breadbasket with the supplies and resources needed to help with purchasing perishable foods!

SOUPer Bowl Collection

Our Souper Bowl collection was very successful thanks to Bill Kennedy, Kevin Roberts, Dave Ekart, & members of the Knights of Columbus and many more volunteers and most importantly the donors!



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