

FOCUS

Feeding Our Communities with United Services



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Free food distributions coming soon

WISCONSIN RAPIDS, Wis. – Feeding Our Communities with United Services (FOCUS) has recently partnered with Feeding America of Eastern Wisconsin and Valley Bakers to distribute free boxes of food for eight consecutive weeks on Thursdays beginning July 9th from 10am until noon or until the food is all distributed. According to Terri Rapp, FOCUS chair, volunteers will carry out the distribution in the east parking lot of 2321 West Grand Avenue (across from the Wheeler's auto dealership) in Wisconsin Rapids from 10 am to noon. The food boxes will contain produce, meat and dairy items. Anyone participating in the distribution is asked to come starting at 10 am to allow the volunteers to set-up for the distribution.

Feeding America of Eastern Wisconsin worked with Valley Bakers to provide this healthy food directly to high-need areas free of charge. Quantities are limited and will be given away on a first-come, first-served basis (no pre-registration necessary). The limit will be one box per vehicle unless the party is also picking up for a home-bound individual.

Participants are asked to make sure there is room available in their vehicle's trunk or backseat for the box of food, and to be patient while others are being served. During the COVID-19 pandemic we have adjusted to be a contact-free pantry and ask that the participants remain in their vehicles while receiving the food and practice social distancing. Anyone feeling ill is asked to remain home and not participate in this distribution.

About FOCUS

Feeding Our Communities with United Services (FOCUS) was formed in February of 2020 when the South Wood Emerging Pantry Shelf, The Neighborhood Table and the Rapids Family Backpacks program merged as one nonprofit organization to better combat food insecurity and develop related services in the South Wood County area.

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