PALM BEACH COUNTY FOOD BANK

"ONE CAN, TWO CAN, WHO CAN, YOU CAN!"

BACK-TO-SCHOOL FOOD DRIVE

alm Beach County Food Bank (PBCFB) started it's fifth annual One Can, Two Can, Who Can? You Can! Back-to-School Food Drive and calls for protein-rich donations. As Palm Beach County operates the 10th largest school district in the U.S., the Food Bank and over 20 local partners gather nonperishable foods to help students experiencing hunger. The most wanted items included canned beans, fish, chicken, beef, peanut butter, vegetables, and fruit.

"Currently, one-in-six Palm Beach County children go to bed hungry," said **Jamie Kendall**, PBCFB CEO. "That's unacceptable and setting them up for failure going into the school year. However, the community can help. Because of this year's overwhelming need, we're hoping to double our donations to this food drive, compared to last year. Donors will be giving school kids the brain food they need to help promote concentration, immunity and more for classroom performance. It gives them and their families hope for a strong start to the school year."

Last year, in partnership with **Palm Beach County Libraries** and community partners, PBCFB's back-to-school food drive collected 2,582 pounds of food providing over 2,777 meals. This year's goal is to double last year's collected food.

Participating public locations include:

Palm Beach County Food Bank - 701 Boutwell Rd, #A-1 and A-2, Lake Worth Beach

Acreage Branch - 15801 Orange Blvd, Loxahatchee Bake & Serve, Inc. - 9100 Belvedere Rd, Suite 113, Royal Palm Beach Canyon Branch - 8915 Senator Joe Abruzzo Ave, Boynton Beach Club Pilates Wellington - 10660 Forest Hill Blvd, #140, Wellington First Horizon Bank —

Delray Beach Office - 900 SE 6th Avenue, Delray Beach Jupiter Office - 1315 W. Indiantown Road, Jupiter Military Trail Office - 1801 N. Military Trail, Suite 100A, Boca Raton North Olive Office - 605 North Olive Avenue, West Palm Beach Palm Beach Lakes Office - 1645 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd., West Palm Beach

PGA Office - 2000 PGA Blvd; North Palm Beach Gardens Branch Library - 11303 Campus Drive, Palm Beach Gardens Glades Road Branch - 20701 95th Avenue South, Boca Raton Greenacres Branch - 3750 Jog Road, Greenacres Hagen Ranch Road Branch - 14350 Hagen Ranch Road, Delray Beach Lantana Branch - 4020 Lantana Road, Lake Worth Main Library - 3650 Summit Boulevard, West Palm Beach

Okeechobee Boulevard Branch - 5689 Okeechobee Boulevard, West Palm Beach

Synergy Health & Wellness - 210 Jupiter Lakes Blvd #5101, Jupiter Wellington Branch - 1951 Royal Fern Drive, Wellington West Boca Branch - 18685 State Road 7, Boca Raton

Royal Palm Beach Branch - 500 Civic Center Way, Royal Palm Beach With approximately 192,000 food-insecure residents throughout Palm Beach County, Palm Beach County Food Bank procures food from grocery stores, farmers, food distributors, wholesalers and other sources and distributes it to over 200 local community partners, including food pantries, soup kitchens and schools. In 2024, PBCFB distributed nearly 13 million meals to over 193,000 residents experiencing hunger. The Food Bank has been honored with several accolades, including the *Chamber of the Palm Beaches Health and Human Services Organization of the Year* and the Community Collaborator Award at the 8th Annual Nonprofits *First Hats Off Awards*.

The food drive will continue through Sunday, August 31st. For more information or to find the nearest participating drop-off location visit pbcfoodbank.org.



