

# **Christmas Food Drive Tips & Resources**

Thanks for your offer of support leading up to what will be a busy Christmas season for Food Share with the cost-of-living crisis increasing requests for emergency food relief\*, your support is very much appreciated.

At this time of the year our corporate partners can provide additional support by running a food drive in the workplace, it's fun, team building and easy to organise with our tips and resources below. And if you need any other support or information all you need to do is call our Executive Officer, Amanda on 0428 197 715 as we are happy to assist.

# Timing of your food drive

Running a food drive during November is the best timing for Food Share as the three weeks of December leading up to Christmas get very busy with emergency food distribution - it's our busiest time of the year.

#### What to collect

Your food drive donations can include staple pantry products (see list below) along with Christmas treats as we give a Christmas food bag to all emergency food hampers going out of our warehouse the week prior to Xmas (FYI we pack these bags in the first two weeks of December).

#### Christmas treats most needed are:

- Christmas cakes (small)
- Christmas puddings
- Custard
- Christmas biscuits / chocolates

## Most needed pantry items:

- Tinned tuna
- Healthy cereal
- Tinned Fruit
- Breakfast spreads vegemite, jam, honey, peanut butter
- Cooking oil (small bottles)
- Tins of mixed vegetable e.g., peas and carrots or other varieties
- UHT FC Milk 1 Lt
- Baked Beans
- Chunky Soup in a can
- Teabags
- Or any pantry items on special

**Tip -** You are most welcome to borrow collapsible crates so you can store your donations - they are much easier than bags and cardboard boxes as they are stackable.



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#### **Promotional material**

I have attached our **new logo + a basic Christmas Food Drive Poster** which you are most welcome to use/adjust for your food drive. And our branding colours are below which work very well for Christmas so you can have fun and get creative. **Tip** - the **red** and **bright green** are the standard Word colours, and our Font is Calibri.



## **Donation collection or drop off**

We can either pick up your donations in our Transit Van (book a day / time) or you can drop off to 24a Harrington Rd Warrnambool (book a day / time), the choice is yours as it's what suits you best and may depend on how much food you collect. **Tip** – we would like to get a pic for our <u>Facebook</u> feed when you drop off or we pick up your donation.

### To assist us book in your food drive

Let us know the following information and we will book you into our food drive calendar.

- Dates in November you are running your food drive start date + finish date.
- Contact person
- Contact person mobile number
- Date you would like us to pick up from your workplace OR
  - Address of pick up.
- Date you would like to drop off to our warehouse at 24a Harrington Rd Warrnambool
  - Drop off at our warehouse is after 12 noon on your nominated day (Mon Fri)

With thanks for your wonderful support from Amanda and the Food Share Team

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Tip -you can be even more support by following us on Facebook don't forget to Like + Share + Tell All