Area Food and Nutrition Assistance Information



<u>Double Up Food Bucks</u> - doubles the money of SNAP Bridge Card users when they spend their benefits at participating farmers markets, helping them to buy more fresh fruits and vegetables. <u>doubleupfoodbucks.org</u>, 866-586-2796

<u>Community Supplemental Food Program</u> - through the Northern Michigan Community Action Agency. Targeting senior citizens to provide a nutritionally balanced diet. Wexford County, <u>www.nmcaa.net</u>, 231-775-8330

Emergency Food Assistance Program - Wexford County - through the Northern Michigan Community Action Agency. Providing low-income households with food quarterly. Wexford County, www.nmcaa.net, 231-775-8330

FOOD PANTRIES:

- Acme Christian Thrift Store and Food Pantry Grand Traverse County, 231-938-2990
- <u>Benzie Area Christian Neighbors</u> (BACN) Benzie County, <u>www.benziebacn.org</u>, 231-882-9544
- Benzie Food Partners Honor, Benzie County, 231-325-2936
- Bellaire Food Panty Antrim County, 231-533-8600
- <u>Empire Area Food Pantry</u> located at Glen Lake Community Church in Leelanau County
- <u>Father Fred</u> The Father Fred Foundation provides food assistance to those within the five-county community. <u>www.fatherfred.org</u>, 231-947-2055
- <u>Fresh Winds Christ Community Church</u> Leelanau County, 231-325-0344
- Good Samaritan Family Services Food Pantry Antrim County, 231-588-2208
- KAIR Food Pantry Kalkaska County, 231-258-7836
- <u>Leelanau Christian Neighbors</u> Suttons Bay, 231-271-0091
- Love, INC. Benzie County, www.loveincmanistee.org
- <u>Torch Lake Assembly of God</u> Kalkaska County, 231-331-6246

<u>Goodwill Industries of Northern Michigan</u> - 231-922-4890 provides community emergency meals and Goodwill Inn Congregate Emergency Meals. <u>www.goodwillnmi.org/food</u>

Meals on Wheels - through Goodwill Industries of Northern Michigan. Offers a nutritional program serving homebound seniors. www.goodwillnmi.org/food, 231-995-7723

<u>Michigan Land Use Institute (MLUI)</u> - MULI food and farming group focuses on providing healthy and local food for all. www.mlui.org/food-farming/, 231-941-6584

<u>Michigan Farmers Market Association</u> - allows online searches for all Michigan's farmers markets and provides location detail. Allows searching by specific County or by program participation as well. <u>www.mifma.org/find-a-farmers-market</u>

MEET UP AND EAT UP - A summer food service program to provide children and families in low income area with nutritious meals during the summer months when school is not in session. Meal availability is indicated by district:

- Buckley Community Schools lunch. 231-357-6380
- Central Lake Public Schools lunch, 231-544-3141
- Elk Rapids Schools breakfast, lunch and afternoon snack, 231-264-6077
- Frankfort-Elberta Area Schools breakfast, lunch.
 231-620-9828
- Forest Area Community Schools breakfast, lunch and afternoon snack. 231-264-6077
- Kalkaska Public Schools breakfast, lunch. 231-258-4630
- Kingsley Area Schools lunch. 231-263-5262
- Traverse City Area Schools breakfast, lunch and afternoon snack. 231-933-1732
- Suttons Bay Public Schools breakfast, lunch and afternoon snack. 231-271-8600

<u>MSU Extension Nutrition Education Program</u> - provides group nutrition education programs for limited-resource adults and youth. Classes typically cover how to eat and cook healthy on a budget. <u>Msue.anr.msu.edu</u>

Offices in these counties:

- Grand Traverse County 231-922-4821
- Kalkaska County 231-258-3320
- Leelanau County 231-256-9888
- Antrim County 231-533-8818

<u>Project Fresh</u> - provides coupons to purchase locally grown fresh fruits and vegetables at participating farmer's markets. Available for WIC program participants. Contact local WIC office (see contact numbers below).

<u>WIC (Women, Infant & Children Program)</u> - supplemental food & nutrition program for income-eligible pregnant / postpartum women, infants, and children up to age 5. Available through local health departments:

- Grand Traverse County Health Department 800-946-4599
- Benzie/Leelanau Health Department 800-816-1658
- District #10 Health Department Kalkaska County, 231-258-8669
- Northwestern Michigan Antrim County, 1-800-432-4121

<u>Senior Fresh/Market Fresh</u> - provides coupons to purchase locally grown fruits, vegetables, herbs, and seedlings at participating farmers markets and stores. Available for senior citizens over 60 or WISEWOMAN participants. Contact local senior center or health department.

<u>Traverse City Senior Center</u> - congregate meals. 231-947-3780

Please notify Amanda Woods if information is missing (awoods@mhc.net, or 231-935-9227). This list was updated as of 09/18/2014.