



What are you grateful for? **November is a month to raise awareness of hunger and homelessness in our region—and DO something to help!** Many people in our region do not have the proper food or housing to live a healthy life. Use this calendar to become aware of basic things we sometimes take for granted.

Follow the [Greater Mankato Grateful Giving page](#) on Facebook for daily reminders, various challenges and other information throughout the month.

1. CHOOSE a charity that fights hunger or homelessness.
2. CREATE your “bank” at home (a jar, can, bag, basket or envelope). Follow the instructions on the calendar. Talk about your deposits as a family. What other things are you grateful for? What would it be like without some of these things? How can YOU help people in need?
3. DONATE the amount you’ve deposited to the charity of your choice at the end of the month.



**Greater Mankato Area
United Way**

Download the PDF of this calendar at: mankatounitedway.org/grateful-giving.

| November 2017 | | | | | | |
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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
| | | | 1 Deposit \$1 if you have a working furnace in your home | 2 Deposit \$0.50 for each bedroom in your house | 3 Deposit \$0.50 if you had dessert today | 4 Deposit \$0.10 for every light switch in your home |
| 5 Deposit \$0.25 if you sleep in your own bed | 6 Deposit \$0.25 for each TV in your home | 7 Deposit \$0.25 for every heat register in your home | 8 Deposit \$1 if you have more than 8 cans of food in your cupboards | 9 Deposit \$0.50 for each garage door opener you have | 10 Deposit \$1 if you have a washer & dryer in your home | 11 Deposit \$0.25 if you had lunch today (all household members) |
| 12 Deposit \$0.25 for each year you’ve lived in your home | 13 Deposit \$0.50 if you have clean water to drink that comes out of your faucets | 14 Deposit \$0.25 if you had breakfast today (all household members) | 15 Deposit \$1 for every cell phone in your house | 16 Deposit \$0.50 if you have enough blankets to keep you warm at night | 17 Deposit \$0.25 if you had a snack today (all household members) | 18 Deposit \$0.50 if you bought coffee or soda today |
| 19 Deposit \$0.50 for every household member who has a job | 20 Deposit \$0.50 if you had a hot shower today | 21 Deposit \$0.50 if you went to the grocery store this week | 22 Deposit \$1 for every pet you have | 23 Deposit \$0.25 if you had supper today (all household members) | 24 Deposit \$0.50 if you know where your next meal is coming from | 25 Deposit \$0.50 if you went to or rented a movie this month |
| 26 Traveling for the holidays? Deposit \$0.05 for every mile you go | 27 Deposit \$0.50 if you own more than 5 pairs of shoes | 28 Deposit \$0.50 if you have your own car | 29 Deposit \$1 for every computer in your house | 30 Thank you for participating in Grateful Giving 2017! | | |

For the average household, this will total up to about \$15.

What does \$15 mean for your family?

It could be a takeout order of pizza, half a tank of gas or popcorn at the movies.

What does \$15 mean for a regional nonprofit that meets hunger and housing needs?

- A Thanksgiving meal for a family of four
- One day of electricity at a local shelter
- Bus fare for one youth to get to/from their job for a week

Suggested Organizations

BackPack Food Program

2120 Howard Dr. Suite F & G
North Mankato, MN 56003
507-720-8511
backpackfoodprogram.org

Children's Weekend Food Program

201 S. Third St.
St. Peter, MN 56082
507-698-8023
cwfpstpeter.weebly.com

Connections Rotating Shelter for Greater Mankato

Connections Ministry
501 S. 2nd Street, Suite 100
Mankato, MN 56001
507-387-4074 Ext. 103

ECHO Food Shelf

1014 South Front Street
Mankato, MN 56001
507-345-7508
echofoodshelf.org

Greater Mankato Area United Way

127 S. 2nd St. #190
Mankato, MN 56001
507-345-4551
mankatounitedway.org

Holy Grounds Community Coffee House

Centenary United Methodist Church
501 S. Second Street
Mankato, MN 56001
507-387-4074
mankatocentenary.org

House of Hope Adult Treatment Facility

1618 3rd Ave
Mankato, MN 56001
507-625-4373
houseofhopemn.com

Janesville Community Food Shelf

412 N Main St.
Janesville, MN 56048
507-231-5623

Le Center Food Shelf

15 S. Park Ave
Le Center, MN 56057
507-357-4076

Le Sueur Emergency Food Shelf

427 S. Fifth St.
Le Sueur, MN 56058

Maple River Loaves and Fishes Food Shelf

104 E. Central Ave
Mapleton, MN 56065
507-524-3046

MVAC's Homeless Prevention Programs

706 N. Victory Drive
Mankato, MN 56001
507-345-6822
mnvac.org

New Richland Area Food Shelf

204 NW First Street
New Richland, MN 56072
507-463-3421
nrafs.webs.com

Salvation Army

700 S. Riverfront Dr.
Mankato, MN 56001
507-345-7840
salvationarmynorth.org

St. Peter Area Food Shelf

203B South Third St.
St. Peter, MN 56082
507-934-9641

The REACH Drop In Center for Homeless Youth

125 East Liberty Street
Mankato, MN 56001
507-720-0331
lssmn.org/youth/mankato/the-reach/

Partners for Affordable Housing

Theresa House and Welcome Inn Shelter

151 Good Counsel Dr, Suite 130
Mankato, MN 56001
507-387-2115
partnersforhousing.org

Waseca Area Neighborhood Service Center

BackPack Program

Food Shelf

113 2nd Ave. NW
Waseca, MN 56093
507-833-4119
wansc.org

We Share Food Shelf

132 E. Main St
Elysian, MN 56028
507-267-4486