

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

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

#### What does \$15 mean to 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 Issmn.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