

FOOD RESCUE PROGRAM

DON'T THROW AWAY YOUR CHANCE TO HELP



We have finally entered springtime in Minnesota, which means summer is right around the corner. The Food Rescue Team has a few things for you to keep in mind over this warmer, busier season.

Store Remodels

- Store remodels are currently happening for many of your retailer partners. It's important to remember the stress this can add to their work environment when they are operating under construction. Things are constantly moving and changing. Please communicate regularly with your retail partner(s) to know how collections might change from day to day and to make sure you are collecting the correct product for donation. Your patience is very appreciated during this time. This is another great opportunity to thank your retail partners for taking the time to donate to your agency!

Summer Vacation

- Statistics - With beautiful weather comes more vacation time! Please have a backup plan if the staff or volunteer responsible for entering your retail statistics in Let Solve Hunger will be out of the office over the deadline. Retail stats are due at the end of each month, with the deadline on the 10th.
- Volunteer time off - During the summer, volunteers often make plans that take them away from their volunteer roles. Please try to avoid disruptions with your regularly scheduled collections throughout the season. If you do experience a gap in volunteers able to collect, please be sure to communicate this to your retail partner immediately and be in touch with your Food Rescue Specialist.
- Summer holidays (i.e. Memorial Day, Independence Day, and Labor Day) - make for many long weekends and different business hours. Please let your retail partner know in advance if your collection schedule will be disrupted over these times. It is important to communicate with all the departments you collect from to be sure that appropriate staff are aware of the schedule change. Don't forget to use the [Holiday Collection Template](#) on Agency Zone to help get this message passed along throughout the stores.

Enjoy the summer months, and please be in touch with your Food Rescue Specialist if we can be of any help!