



Thank you for your support!

We need your help.

Help us meet the need for an estimated 17% of Texans living in poverty. Your gift can change someone's life. Visit ccdallas.org to make a donation or to sign up for volunteer opportunities.

We serve over 4 million people in 9 North Texas counties including: *Dallas, Collin, Rockwall, Kaufman, Ellis, Fannin, Grayson, Hunt & Navarro.*

Catholic Charities Dallas

Central Service Center
1421 W. Mockingbird Lane
Dallas 75247

Hours of operation

Monday – Friday
8:00 am – 5:30 pm

ccdallas.org

All agency programs are accredited by the Council on Accreditation.



Become a CCD Ambassador by sponsoring a food drive.

Here's all you need to know to make it great.

Every day, Catholic Charities helps our community's most vulnerable by taking on the effects of poverty and helping all those in crisis move toward a better life. If we can't help, we know who can. **Pass it on.**

The right call for all in need: 866.CCD.7500

Thank you for hosting a food drive for CCD. The food you collect will soon be on the tables of those hungry in North Texas. The food is not simply a meal,



but a symbol of hope. We know coordinating a food drive can be a lot of work. Our hope is this tool kit, full of tips and ideas prepares you for a successful food drive and that you remember the impact you're making in the lives of those

in need. Thank you, again, for your support. We are here to help and support you in whatever way we can and we wish you a very successful food drive.



Use social media to energize your food drive

Take photos throughout your drive of the bin filling up, donors dropping off food with smiling faces and post them on social media

Utilize our social media images to get attention

Create a Facebook event page

Tag **CCD** in all your food drive related posts

Facebook @catholiccharitiesdallas

Twitter @CCofDallas

Instagram @catholiccharitiesdallas

Use these hashtags #CCDWorldChanger #BeGolden #MakeHungerHistory and any others you would like.



10 facts about hunger

1. Catholic Charities Food Program provided 398,797 meals to hungry people in 2017.
2. Over 6,000 families received food assistance through Catholic Charities in 2017.
3. One in every four kids in North Texas does not have enough to eat.
4. 68% of people in North Texas have had to choose between paying for food or paying for medical care.
5. In Dallas, 1 in every 5 people worry about where their next meal will come from.
6. In Texas, 4.8 million people do not have enough to eat or lack access to nutritious food. That's about 1/6 of the population!
7. More people die each year from hunger than from AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria combined.
8. A "food desert" is an area where there are no grocery stores within a mile of an urban area - several miles of southern and western Dallas are food deserts.
9. Dallas has more children living in poverty than any other city in the United States with a million or more residents.
10. Nearly 700,000 Dallas County residents live in lower-income communities with limited supermarket access.

We need non-perishable food items that are not larger than 16 oz.



Tips for a successful food drive

Here are some suggestions that will help you with your food drive.

Location is key Wherever you decide to hold your drive, make sure it's a place where a lot of people in your parish or organization are available to contribute.

Advertise Have a kick off start date and make sure you advertise your drive. Be sure to complete the Support Card and let us know what marketing tools would work best for you. Mention the drive in your upcoming newsletter, email, or bulletin. Send email reminders to participants the day the food drive begins and follow up with a progress report halfway through the drive.

Make it fun Consider making your drive a competition to encourage donations! Develop games, challenges, and set goals. Use social media to post all the interactive aspects of your drive. Be creative and have fun!

Contact us If you need assistance or more information contact **Edwin Chinchilla** at echinchilla@ccdallas.org

Instructions for collecting and delivering items

Collecting items We have a food bin available for your drive, simply mark that you would like to receive one on your Support Card. Feel free to collect cash or check donations in addition to food items. Checks should be made out to Catholic Charities Dallas with "Food Pantry" designated in the memo line.

After the drive Food drive donations can be dropped off at Catholic Charities Dallas Central Service Center located at 1421 W. Mockingbird Lane, Dallas, TX 75247 Monday thru Friday, 9am-4pm. If you would like to schedule a pick up, simply contact **Edwin Chinchilla** at **972.246.6027** or echinchilla@ccdallas.org. Picks up are scheduled for Monday thru Friday 9am – 3:30pm. A donation receipt will be provided upon request.

Volunteer opportunity We encourage you or your group to stay and help sort your items in the food pantry when you deliver your items or you can plan for a future date! This is a great way to finish out your drive. Please coordinate this with our Volunteer Manager, **Lacy de la Garza** at ldelagarza@ccdallas.org