



YOUNGSTOWN COMMUNITY FOOD CENTER, INC.,



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## GLEANERS FOOD BANK

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Youngstown, Ohio 44513

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Weekly giveaway  
draws a crowd  
500 is the average, 11/26/03 was 632

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The above type of image is an example of what can be seen on Tuesday 52 times a year at the Youngstown Community Food Center and Gleaners Food Bank located near downtown Youngstown. We are a **non-profit no fee organization**, which has been in existence since 1986 supplying food and non-food items to the less fortunate at **no cost**. We distribute goods weekly to individual families and currently on a monthly bases supply **110** church food pantries, Women's Crisis Shelters, Veterans Centers, schools, minority's organization, elderly housing complexes, those on a fixed income, in short the less fortunate families here in our seven county sphere of operation; again at **no cost** to anyone. We are currently providing over **7,590 families a month** with food and non-food items, and the number continues to grow. Because of the increase in the amount of people we are helping, particularly through our area churches, crisis centers, and outreach groups and so on (throughout the **Mahoning, Trumbull, Columbiana, Stark, Portage, Mercer, and Lawrence counties**) we really need your help. We are uniquely different from other food banks. We are, as far as we know, the **only food bank to in the State of Ohio that does not charge a fee (maintenance or otherwise)** to any individual, group, or organization in need. The goal to which we aspire can be seen in our mission statement which follows: "To dedicate our time, labor and resources to the service of our fellow man To provide food and clothing to our brothers and sisters in need, so as to ensure a measure of dignity in their daily lives. To shine as a beacon of hope to all who see these works that they may join our efforts to ensure the words compassion and human nature" become, once again, words that are identical in meaning." For more information, please call numbers below or email: [gleanersfoodbank@sbcglobal.net](mailto:gleanersfoodbank@sbcglobal.net)

Respectfully yours,

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