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## Help Fill Our Shelves: Coastal Bend Food Bank Calls for Community Support

**Corpus Christi, TX** – The Coastal Bend Food Bank is urgently calling on the community to help replenish our shelves with much-needed nonperishable food items. Our inventory is critically low, and with the rising need in our community, we rely on your generosity to continue feeding families facing food insecurity.

In the fiscal year 2023-2024, we distributed over 13 million pounds of food, providing more than 11 million meals to families in the Coastal Bend. But the need continues to grow, and we need your help to keep our shelves stocked.

We are asking for donations of shelf-stable, nonperishable food, including:

- Dry beans, rice, and dry pasta
- Canned vegetables and fruit
- Canned meats (chicken, tuna, turkey, ham)
- Canned soups
- Oatmeal and cereal
- Peanut butter

Every donation, no matter how small, makes a difference. You can drop off food donations at the *Coastal Bend Food Bank located at 5442 Bear Lane, Corpus Christi, TX 78405* or organize a food drive to support our mission.

Donations can also be made online at <a>SpringFoodDrive25</a> —every \$1 provides 4 meals.

Together, we can fight hunger and nourish our neighbors. Help us fill our shelves and continue providing hope to those in need.

For more information on how to donate or host a food drive, visit <u>https://coastalbendfoodbank.org/get-involved/give-food/</u> or contact us at 361.887.6291

## Help us feed hope-one meal at a time

## About Coastal Bend Food Bank

The Coastal Bend Food Bank is a nonprofit organization that solicits and distributes food which might otherwise go to waste or be discarded by manufacturers, wholesalers, and retailers. Since 1982, the Food Bank has been fighting hunger in the Coastal Bend by providing food and personal care products to various charity and service agencies in the 11–county service area. The Food Bank's mission is "We fight hunger and promote wellness through food distribution and nutrition education".