



ADOPT A SHELF

Your family, neighborhood, club, team or business can “adopt” a shelf to help keep it stocked.

DONATE WHEN YOU USE AMAZON.COM

Help us without cost by clicking the Amazon graphic on our website first before shopping.

DONATE EMPTY BOTTLES AND CANS

Barisco Redemption Center (1694 Penfield Rd.)

DONATE YOUR HARVEST THIS SUMMER OR PLANT A GIVING GARDEN

Bring the abundance from your summer garden to the Food Shelf or plant a group “giving garden”.

ASK GUESTS TO BRING A FOOD ITEM IN LIEU OF GIFT (Birthday/Anniversary Party).

HOST A FOOD DRIVE

Check our Facebook or website for most needed items. Community service hours can be earned.

MONETARY DONATIONS:

Tax deductible donations are needed all year for general operating expenses and to purchase fresh meat, eggs, cheese, milk and margarine. Mail donations or use the PayPal link on our website.

DONATE THROUGH UNITED WAY

Select Penfield Ecumenical Food Shelf as the recipient of your United Way contribution. Our donor designation number is 3331.

DROP OFF NON-PERISHABLE FOOD

Drop off non-perishable food in the shoot at the rear of the Food Shelf or in the collection bin in the hall opposite the Recreation Office at the Community Center or at the Town Hall.

Monetary donations can be mailed to:
Penfield Ecumenical Food Shelf
1618 Jackson Rd. Penfield, NY 14526

Donations are tax deductible.

We are always willing and anxious to do a presentation to your business or group.



PEFS Board of Directors

HOLIDAY GIVING:

Family dinners are distributed at Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Specific giving opportunities will be posted on the web at each holiday time including gifts for children at Christmas through our “Cares and Shares” program. We typically distribute about 150 family meals at each of those holiday distributions.

PENFIELD ECUMENICAL FOOD SHELF



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Two of Our Many Wonderful Volunteers!



OUR HISTORY

The Penfield Ecumenical Food Shelf was the creation of founders Joe Gersitz, Ted O'Brien and Kathy Cummins in the spring of 1997. It began in the First Baptist Church at 1862 Penfield Rd. From the very beginning, the philosophy was adopted to serve all who express a need for help with the only requirement being Penfield residency.

The Food Shelf started small but quickly became busy accepting donations and serving those in need. Founder Joe Gersitz often spoke of the theme of fulfilling Christ's words in the Gospel of Matthew, *"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me."* Matthew 25:35.

The first vision was to serve families canned goods and other non-perishable items only. But it very quickly changed to include fresh fruits, vegetables, breads and baked goods and eggs.

The move to our present location at 1618 Jackson Rd. occurred in November 2012.



Staples Room Volunteers

WISH LIST OF ITEMS NEEDED:

- cereal and oatmeal
- pancake mix and syrup
- sugar and flour
- canned pasta
- canned meats, hash, beef stew, chili
- pasta (all sorts) and jar sauce
- potatoes (boxed & canned)
- peanut butter and jelly
- applesauce, cranberry sauce
- canned tomatoes (any variety)
- canned fruits and vegetables
- salad dressing
- ketchup, mustard & mayonnaise
- gravy and broth
- crackers and snacks
- shampoo, conditioners, bars of soap
- laundry detergent and dish soap
- cake mixes and frosting

ABOUT THE PENFIELD FOOD SHELF

We wish to thank the many generous donors and volunteers that make it possible for us to serve 85+ families (250 people) every week.

Our Food Shelf home is generously made available by the Town of Penfield.

The Penfield Ecumenical Food Shelf exists entirely on donated food and monetary donations. All workers are volunteers. This support comes from local grocery stores, local farm growers, area churches, schools, organizations, and community-minded individuals.