

MASON COUNTY FOOD ACCESS

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INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES, & SENIORS

CARITAS FOOD PANTRY

Who: Anyone in need.

What: Mix of nonperishable food, milk, meat, eggs, and fresh produce.

When: Mon/Wed | 12p-2p

How: USDA requirements apply. Limit once per calendar month.

Address: 85 S. Madison Ave., Custer, MI 49405

Contact: (231) 690-9642 | caritasfoodpantry@gmail.com

Web: <https://www.facebook.com/CaritasFoodPantry>

COMMUNITY TABLE

Who: Everyone.

What: Free hot meal.

When: Tuesdays | 4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

How: No requirements.

Address: Community Church, 109 N. Harrison, Ludington, MI 49431

Contact: (231) 843-9275 | <https://www.facebook.com/CommunityTableLudington/>



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CORNERSTONE BAPTIST CHURCH FOOD PANTRY

Who: Families, seniors, and veterans.

What: Box distribution (canned goods, bread, peanut butter, meat, etc.).

When: Fridays | 11a-1p

How: No strict requirements (only need # of children/total people). May return every 60 days.

Address: 121 Nelson Rd., Ludington, MI 49431

Contact: (231) 845-1285 | bevcogle@gmail.com

Web: <https://cbcludington.com/food-pantry/>

FIVECAP, INC.

Who: Individuals, families & seniors age 60+.

What: Mix of both choice and box distribution (depends on the program and family size). Programs include emergency food pantry assistance, TEFAP (The Emergency Food Assistance Program), and CSFP (Commodity Supplemental Food Program for seniors).

When: Mon-Fri | 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. (Also available for after-hours emergencies.)

How: ID, proof of residency, & income limits apply.

Address: 302 N. Main Street, Scottville, MI 49454

Contact: (231) 757-3785 | fivecap@fivecap.org

Web: <https://www.fivecap.org/programs.html>

Scan the QR code above or visit mason-foundation.org/mason-county-food-access to view this entire document online. This resource contains helpful tools, information about state and federal programs, and food access resources for individuals, families, seniors, youth, volunteers, and donors.

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LAKESHORE FOOD CLUB

Who: Households that live, work, or attend school in Mason County within 200% of Federal Poverty Guidelines.

What: Shop with points as currency for food and household items.

When: Mon/Wed 11a–5p | Tues/Thurs 12p–6p Fri 9a–3p | Sat 10a–2p

How: Self-verification. \$12/month membership for a set of points based on household size.

Address: 920 E. Tinkham Ave., Ludington, MI 49431

Contact: (231) 480-4334 |

myounger@lakeshorefoodclub.org

Web: lakeshorefoodclub.org.

MASON COUNTY SENIOR MEALS (MEALS ON WHEELS & ON-SITE MEALS)

Who: Homebound Seniors and Seniors age 60+.

What: One nutritionally balanced hot meal free of charge; donations accepted & appreciated.

When: Mon–Fri | 10:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (Home deliveries.) On-site mealtimes vary by location.

How: In-person assessment or completed NAPIS form required.

Address: 310 W. Beryl St. / 300 W. Broadway Ave., Scottville, MI 49454

Contact: (231) 757-4831 | icole@mccschools.org

Web:

https://www.masoncounty.net/departments/senior_services/meals_on_wheels.php

THE SALVATION ARMY

Who: Anyone in need.

What: Mix of dry and frozen food.

When: Mon–Fri | 10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. or by appointment. Available every 30 days.

How: ID needed for most services, but NOT for food assistance.

Address: 1101 S. Madison St., Ludington, MI 49431

Contact: (231) 843-3711 |

wmiludington@usc.salvationarmy.org

Web: saludington.org

24/7 CARE BOXES

Small, community-stocked boxes of free food.

- **Branch & Walhalla:** Branch Fire Station, 6532 US-10, Walhalla
- **Custer:** Custer Coin Operated Laundry, 2346 E. Highway, US-10, Custer
- **Fountain:** By the Community Center, 3916 & 3918 E. Main St., Fountain
- **Free Soil:** Village Park area (east of the volunteer fire department)
- **Ludington:** (Seasonal) Leta's Educational Daycare, 900 N. Washington Ave.
- **Ludington** (Downtown): Behind the Ludington Library, 217 E. Ludington Ave.
- **Ludington:** St. Paul Church, 3212 W. Kinney Rd.
- **Ludington:** Summit Church of Christ, 5186 S. Pere Marquette Hwy.
- **Ludington:** United Methodist Church, 5810 E. Bryant Rd. (across the street from Ludington Elementary School)
- **Scottville:** In front of the Scottville Library, 204 E. State St.



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KIDS & TEENS

LAKESHORE FOOD 4 KIDS (LF4K)

Who: Students in grades pre-K-12 at Ludington Area Schools and West Shore ESD.

What: Weekend bags (2 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 2 snacks, 2 drinks, 2 fruits, & 1 veggie; older kids receive 1 additional meal).

When: Delivered to schools on Thursdays, sent home Fridays.

How: Parent permission required.

Address: 920 E. Tinkham Ave.,
Ludington, MI 49431



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Contact: (231) 480-4334 |
aglossinger@lakeshorefoodclub.org

Web: lakeshorefoodclub.org

MASON COUNTY REFORMED CHURCH HAND2HAND BACKPACK PROGRAM

Who: Students in grades K-12 at Mason County Central and Mason County Eastern Schools.

What: Weekend bags (2 breakfasts, 7-10 snacks, 1 family meal).

When: Delivered to schools on Thursdays, sent home Fridays.

How: Parent permission required.

Address: 45 S. Amber Rd., Scottville, MI 49454

Contact: (616) 826-1026 |
mspita972@yahoo.com

Web: h2hkids.org



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SCHOOL-BASED FOOD CLUBS



MASON COUNTY CENTRAL SPARTAN FOOD CLUB



GATEWAY TO SUCCESS WOLFPACK FOOD CLUB

Who: Students enrolled at Mason County Central or Gateway to Success Academy.

What: Food, hygiene, & household items.

When: Check with schools for hours.

How: Connect with a school staff member.

Locations: Mason County Central High School and Gateway to Success Academy

Contact: (231) 794-9675 |
aglossinger@lakeshorefoodclub.org

Web: <https://www.mccschools.org/> &
<https://www.g2sacademy.org/>

SUMMER MEAL PROGRAM

Who: Kids 0-18; persons up to age 26 enrolled in an education program for the mentally or physically disabled.

What: Free and nutritious meals.

When: M-F during the summer; times vary by site.

How: Must "dine in" at site.

Address: Multiple locations.

Contact: (231) 757-5721 | Josie Sobaski

Web: <https://www.mccschools.org/page/food-service/>



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STATE & FEDERAL FOOD PROGRAMS

DOUBLE UP FOOD BUCKS

Who: Anyone receiving SNAP/EBT benefits in Michigan.

What: A program that matches your SNAP dollars spent on fresh produce (e.g., spend \$10 on EBT for fruits and vegetables, get an extra \$10 for fresh fruits and vegetables for free).

How: Use your Bridge Card at participating grocery stores and local farmers markets.

Address: Varies by participating location. Call or go online to find the closest spot.

Contact: (866) 586-2796

Web: doubleupfoodbucks.org

SNAP / FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (FAP)

Who: Low-income individuals and families.

What: An Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) card used to purchase groceries at participating stores and farmers markets.

How: Apply online via MI Bridges or in person at the local MDHHS office.

Address: Mason County MDHHS | 915 Diana St., Ludington, MI 49431

Contact: (231) 845-7391

Web: michigan.gov/mibridges



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WIC (WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN)

Who: Pregnant women, new mothers, and children under age 5.

What: Supplemental nutrition program providing healthy foods, formula, and nutrition education.

How: Income guidelines apply. Apply by calling or visiting District Health Department #10.

Address: District Health Department #10 | 916 Diana St., Ludington, MI 49431

Contact: (231) 316-8584 (Direct WIC Line) | (231) 845-7381 (Main Office)

Web: dhd10.org/wic

HELPFUL TOOLS & MOBILE PANTRIES

Call 2-1-1: Dial 2-1-1 or visit mi211.org for help applying for food assistance, finding meal programs, or accessing utility/housing support.

Food Finder App: Download the Food Finder app (Google Play / Apple App Store) to find local pantries by zip code.

Mobile Food Trucks: Feeding America West Michigan hosts free drive-thru fresh produce pantries. Visit feedwm.org/mobile-pantry-schedule or scan below for dates & locations.



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SUPPORT YOUR NEIGHBORS

- 1. HOST A DRIVE:** Collect food or household essentials at your school, church, or workplace. Drop off at local pantries or the Lakeshore Regional Food Hub (1525 Industrial Park Dr., Hart, MI).
- 2. GROWERS & PROCESSORS:** Donate surplus produce to your local pantry or the Lakeshore Regional Food Hub (1525 Industrial Park Dr., Hart, MI).
- 3. HUNTERS:** Share your legally harvested game! Learn how at michigan.gov/hunters-feeding-michigan.

SUPPORT SPECIFIC PROGRAMS

- **CARITAS FOOD PANTRY:** Drop off meat/other grocery & hygiene items (Mon/Wed, 12p–2p.) Mail checks to 85 S. Madison Ave., Custer, MI 49405. Make checks out to “Caritas Food Pantry.” Volunteers not currently needed.
- **CORNERSTONE BAPTIST CHURCH FOOD PANTRY:** Drop off meat/canned goods (M-F, 9:30a-3:30p). Mail checks to 121 Nelson Rd., Ludington, MI 49431. Make checks out to “CBC” with “for food pantry” in the memo. Volunteers not currently needed.
- **CARE BOXES:** Place non-perishable food items in boxes.
- **FIVECAP, INC.:** Donate shelf-stable foods or mail checks to FiveCAP, Inc. - Food Pantry, 302 N. Main Street, Scottville, MI 49454. **Volunteers needed!**
- **HAND2HAND BACKPACK PROGRAM:** Donate fruit cups, canned chicken, or mail checks to Mason County Reformed Church, 45 S. Amber Rd., Scottville, MI 49454. For checks, write “Hand2Hand” in the memo line. Volunteers not currently needed.
- **LAKESHORE FOOD 4 KIDS:** Drop off dry goods (M-Thr, 9a-4p and F, 9a-2p) at the back receiving door for Lakeshore Food Club. Mail checks to Lakeshore Food Club, 920 E. Tinkham Ave, Ludington, MI 49431 with “LF4K” in the memo line, or donate online at <https://www.lakeshorefoodclub.org/donate-now>.
- **LAKESHORE FOOD CLUB:** Drop off grocery items (dry, fresh, frozen, or refrigerated), household/hygiene items (M-Thr, 9a-4p and F, 9a-2p) at the back receiving door. Mail checks to 920 E. Tinkham Ave, Ludington, MI 49431, or donate online at <https://www.lakeshorefoodclub.org/donate-now>. **Volunteers needed!**
- **LAKESHORE REGIONAL FOOD HUB:** Drop off dry goods/hygiene items (M-F, 9a-4p) at 1525 Industrial Park Dr., Hart, MI 49420. Mail checks to 920 E. Tinkham Ave, Ludington, MI 49431, or donate online at <https://www.lakeshorefoodclub.org/donate-now>. **Volunteers needed!**
- **MASON COUNTY SENIOR MEALS (Meals on Wheels & Congregate):** Donate personal care items, pet food, or funds. Mail checks to Mason County Meals on Wheels, 300 W. Broadway Ave., Scottville, MI 49454. **Volunteers needed!**
- **THE SALVATION ARMY:** Drop off meals, dry goods, and hygiene items (M-F, 10:30a-3:30p) at the side door. Mail checks to The Salvation Army, PO Box 681, Ludington, MI 49431, or donate online at saludington.org. Volunteers not currently needed.



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