



Food For Thought

Well Summer is past and Fall has arrived, along with a new set of challenges for all local area food banks! Here is a recap of exciting events and happenings from the summer of 2008!

Summer Business Food Drive Results

This years Summer Business Food Drive was a great success. There were 7 participating businesses this year.

A total of 1,947 pounds of food, \$60 and 14 hours of volunteer work donated!

Here is the break-down of all the totals.

pounds of food = \$2,920
hours of volunteer work = \$250

The Summit Center

384 pounds donated

Southwest Institute of Healing Arts

68 pounds donated

Superior Restoration

151 pounds donated
6 volunteer hours donated

KZGL The Eagle 103.7

16 pounds donated

Plastic Surgeons of Northern AZ

142 pounds donated

Northern Arizona Surgi Center

90 pounds donated

Participating Businesses

THE WINNERS ARE!

SMALL BUSINESS CATEGORY:

PEAKS PRIDE/STARLIGHT
BED & BREAKFAST

MEDIUM BUSINESS CATEGORY:

PLASTIC SURGEONS OF NORTHERN AZ

LARGE BUSINESS CATEGORY:

THE SUMMIT CENTER

PEAKS Pride/Starlight Pines
Bed & Breakfast

1096 pounds donated
\$60 monetary donations
8 volunteer hours donated

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They now have their logo traveling around the country on one of the Northern Arizona Food Bank truck's.

NAFB SUMMER HAPPENINGS.....



SUMMER KICKS OFF WITH A DONATION OF 65,000 PAIRS OF FLIP FLOPS FOR FLAGSTAFF

Northern Arizona Food Bank received 65,000 pairs of flip flops from Soles4Souls and Kids in Distressed Situation (KIDS) in June of this year. What a blessing it was for the residents of Coconino County and surrounding areas to receive such a large donation. Flagstaff was one of five cities nationwide to receive the donations, along with Miami, Chicago, Atlanta and New Orleans.

The event, sponsored by KIDS and Soles4Souls, is part of this year's national Barefoot Week, during which the two organizations will donate more than 325,000 pairs of new shoes to needy people in five cities: Miami (June 2), Chicago (June 3), Atlanta (June 4), New Orleans (June 5), and Flagstaff, Arizona (June 6).

Kerry Ketchum, Executive Director and spokesman for Northern Arizona Food Bank stated that the Flagstaff organization was chosen due to its proven ability to outreach to remote rural areas including the Hopi and Navajo reservations.

A kick off event was held at the NAFB warehouse on June 6th, where the distribution efforts began and over 15,000 pairs of the shoes were given out for the community that first week.



Dave Bonnell of Coconino Community Services offers a word of thanks to Soles4Souls and KIDS

The semi truck delivers and the unloading begins...Executive Director Kerry Ketchum drives the fork lift and unloads 65,000 pairs of flip flops



More Summer Highlights...



Arizona Snow Bowl hosts food drive:

Arizona Snow Bowl partnered with Northern Arizona Food Bank to help stock empty shelves, during the early part of June, this summer. Snowbowl offered one free Scenic Skyride ticket to each person who brought at least one non-perishable, non-breakable food item to the resort.

Snowbowl Marketing Director, David Smith, stated "The shelves at our local food banks are starting to look pretty empty and this is one way to give back to a great organization and to the community of Flagstaff". Snowbowl has always been a part of this community and we want to continue to help. We invite the local community to come up and support their neighbors in need. Give someone a lift! Snowbowl cares."

In total, Snowbowl collected over 2,000 pounds of food for Northern Arizona Food Bank.

11th Annual Feinsein Challenge

Thanks to you Northern Arizona! This year's Feinsein Challenge results were outstanding! Between March 1st and April 30, 2008, Northern Arizona Food Bank received \$229,784 in monetary donations and 3,644,242 pounds of food worth \$1 per pound, for a grand total of \$3,874,026. As a result of this tremendous response, Northern Arizona Food Bank received a check in the amount of \$12,585 from the Feinsein Foundation to use to feed the less fortunate in Northern Arizona.



16th Annual Letter Carriers Food Drive:

The Northern Arizona Food Bank and St. Mary's Food Bank of Flagstaff, in conjunction with the Rural and City Letter Carriers and US Postal Service, wish to extend a heart felt Thank You to the City of Flagstaff and surrounding communities, for the tremendous outpouring of non-perishable food items this past Saturday, May 10 during the 16th annual Letter Carriers Food Drive.

Because of you, we have surpassed last years amount and received a total of 45,130 pounds of food to be distributed back into the local communities. This is enough food to provide over 1,100 Emergency Food Boxes, free of charge. In addition, fifty-four volunteers donated two hundred and forty-eight hours during this one day food drive.

Outstanding job to everyone who participated, THANK YOU!

Maloneys Christmas in July:

July 25th and 26th Maloneys hosted a food drive which resulted in 94 pounds of donated food AND \$508 in cash-for NAFB! Thanks to everyone who supported this event!



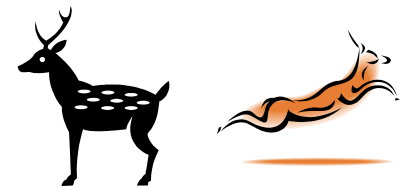
Cliff Castle Casino Donates

A total of \$3,807 in financial aid to assist the less fortunate in Northern Arizona!

How the “Wood for Winter Warmth” Program Works

Many residents in and around Flagstaff only have a wood stove or fireplace as a heat source for their home. They are on a very limited income so they can not always afford to buy wood. They then have to make a very tough decision. How do we heat our home this winter?

Northern Arizona Food Bank is here to help. The “Wood for Winter Warmth” program enables individuals to apply for free firewood, while supplies last. Families with limited or no income, can visit Northern Arizona Food Bank, fill out an application, submit the requested documents, and see if they are eligible for free firewood. Northern Arizona Food Bank will allow each family that is eligible, to receive 1/2 a cord of firewood per month. Firewood is very limited this year so we suggest anyone interested submit an application early. We will be scheduling appointments beginning Saturday, October 4th and each Saturday until the wood supply has been exhausted. Please call us for further information at (928) 526-2211.



Hunters For The Hungry Program

Northern Arizona Food Bank is an active chapter of the Farmers and Hunters Feeding the Hungry organization. This benefits both the food bank and the community by allowing hunters who choose not to keep their game, the opportunity to donate it to NAFB.

The meat donated to NAFB is proc-

essed by certified local meat processors and then picked up by NAFB for distribution in the community and included in Emergency Food Boxes for individual families.

For more information, please visit www.fhfh.org nationally. Locally visit www.nafoodbank.org. Our local chapter is AZ-01.



Food Drive Volunteers Needed

No time to volunteer?
Why not have a food drive?

Many businesses around Flagstaff are supporting Northern Arizona Food Bank by holding food drives.

It's easy as 1, 2, 3.

- 1) Call 928-526-2211 and have one of Northern Arizona Food Bank's employees deliver a collection bin to you or your place of business.
- 2) Tell everyone about your food drive. Make incentives like 10% off your services

- 3) Call Northern Arizona Food Bank when the bin is full and someone will come to pick it up.

You can decorate the collection bins yourself and personalize them, or Northern Arizona Food Bank can have a sign made for you.

UPCOMING EVENTS....

In November NAFB's giant, wooden Tommy Turkey is erected for the entire month, at a local grocery store. Tommy is the focal point of our Holiday Food Drive and is set up to accept donations right in the grocery store parking lot. Tommy is a real eye catcher and has been set up annually for the last six years. Tommy is computer driven and gobbles when his wings are lifted. Staff members and volunteers man Tommy as often as possible during the month.



The "*Burning Desire To Feed The Hungry*" food drive is a 24-hour event held from non to noon, usually on a Friday/Saturday in mid-December at a local grocery store. It is sponsored in part by Yavapai Broadcasting, who typically do a live remote radio cast during the food drive to bring in support for the less fortunate. Volunteers are needed to help with food donations and to staff the event for segments of the 24-hour period. Call 526-221 for further details.





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