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COMMUNITY FOODBANK OF NEW JERSEY TO HOLD 18TH ANNUAL TURKEY DRIVE FoodBank and Partner Agencies Collecting Food to Provide Holiday Meals for Families in Need

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More than 900,000 food insecure New Jerseyans may not have the joy of a traditional Thanksgiving meal to share with their families this year—turkey, fixings, and all—without the help of the Community FoodBank of New Jersey. To ensure that hungry families have what they need to enjoy a holiday meal, the FoodBank has fundraised to purchase thousands of turkeys and will receive even more at its 18th Annual Turkey Drive the weekend before Thanksgiving.

FoodBank staff, volunteers, and partner agencies will collect holiday food items at nearly 50 sites across the state on Saturday, November 17 and Sunday, November 18. Last year, the Community FoodBank of New Jersey gathered nearly 50,000 pounds of food and 9,200 turkeys thanks to the generosity of those who donated.

The FoodBank's most-needed items include frozen turkeys and hams, canned vegetables, gravy, cranberry sauce, and stuffing. Food and fund donations put meals on the tables of the people who need it most to make a real difference in their lives. For more information and to donate online, please visit cfbnj.org/turkey.

WHAT: The Community FoodBank of New Jersey's 18th Annual Turkey Drive

WHEN: Saturday, November 17 and Sunday, November 18

WHERE: Sites statewide (all sites and dates/times at cfbnj.org/turkey)

WHY: To collect holiday food for people in need in New Jersey

The [Community FoodBank of New Jersey \(CFBNJ\)](http://cfbnj.org), a member of Feeding America®, has been delivering food, help and hope across the state for over 40 years. Last year, CFBNJ provided nutritious food for over 47 million meals through its network of more than 1,000 community partners including pantries, soup kitchens, emergency shelters, mobile pantries, and child and senior feeding programs. For our hungry neighbors, the Community FoodBank of New Jersey is the powerful agent of change that fills the emptiness caused by hunger and provides resources that are essential to earning a sustainable living.