

FARMERS' MARKETS (SEASONAL)

Danbury Farmers' Market

CityCenter Danbury Green (2 hour complimentary parking at the adjacent Patriot Garage)
203-791-1711 | www.DanburyFarmersMarket.org
www.facebook.com/danburyfarmersmarket

Open: Saturdays, 10-2, June - end of October 2023

Eligibility: Open to all

Accepts: SNAP, WIC, community certificates, and Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program cards

Frequency of visits: Unrestricted

Food: Fresh, local produce, eggs, baked goods & more

Provides unlimited \$1 for \$1 match for SNAP and 50% matching for WIC and Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program cards. Veterans receive \$10 in market produce money per market, proof needed. Food Demos with market money incentive for participants.

Brookfield Farmers' Market

www.brookfieldfarmersmarket.com
100 Pocono Road

Open: Fridays from 3-6pm, June 21st to October 18th

Eligibility: Open to all.

Provides \$1 for \$1 match for SNAP.

CONGREGATE MEALS

Catholic Charities Morning Glory Program

11 Spring St., Danbury, CT 06810 / 203-349-2428

Serving Grab-n-Go bags of breakfast at the door,
Monday-Friday 7:30-9:00am

Dorothy Day House of Hospitality

11 Spring St., Danbury, CT 06810 / 203-743-7988

Open: Kitchen is serving Grab-n-Go hot meals from 3 pm-4:30 pm daily

Eligibility: Anyone

Requirements: None

Frequency of visits: Unrestricted

SNAP (Food Stamps)

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) is a federal nutrition program that provides eligible households with a monthly benefit that they can use like cash to buy food at participating grocery stores and other places that accept EBT.

For more information, or to find out if you qualify, visit the CT Department of Social Services website at portal.ct.gov or call the End Hunger Connecticut! confidential hotline, on the page to the right.

End Hunger Connecticut! SNAP Call Center

www.endhungerct.org

End Hunger Connecticut!'s bilingual (English/ Spanish) SNAP Call Center offers free assistance for applications, redeterminations, and more related to SNAP seven days a week with flexible appointments. Call toll-free at **866-974-SNAP (7627)**. For more info, to check hours, or to use our free online prescreener, visit www.ctsnap.org. If you are prompted to leave a voicemail, please leave your name and best phone number and we will return your call. Also learn about free summer meals, SNAP-doubling at farmers' markets, and more at www.endhungerct.org.

RESOURCES FOR DPS FAMILIES

Greater Danbury Public Schools

Free summer meals are available every weekday from June to late August for all children aged 18 and under, no questions asked. Hundreds of sites around Connecticut will be serving breakfast, lunch, dinner, and snacks. To find a distribution site near you, visit www.ctsummermeals.org, call 211, or text SUMMER MEALS to 914-342-7744.

Filling in the Blanks

(203) 750-0019 | www.fillingintheblanks.org/register-for-meals

Distributes weekend meal bags directly to children year round. Works with schools, after-school programs, community centers and summer camps in towns across Fairfield and Westchester Counties. Children who qualify for the free/reduced meal program, are part of the ALICE population, or are identified as in need by schools are eligible. To register your child go to <http://www.fillingintheblanks.org/register-for-meals>. To volunteer or donate, please visit www.fillingintheblanks.org or contact info@fillingintheblanks.org.

OTHER RESOURCES

Food Rescue US

(800) 280-3298 x10 | www.foodrescue.us

Food Rescue US - Fairfield County engages volunteers through our web-based app to directly transfer fresh, excess food from grocers, restaurants, schools, farms and other food donors to social service agencies that work with clients experiencing food insecurity. Contact Haley Schulman at haley@foodrescue.us if you would like to volunteer, if your organization would like to receive food, or if you are a food donor and have excess food you would like to donate.

UConn Extension

(203) 207-8440

Nutrition education classes offered to the public at no cost to participants.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

For more information, or to donate food, please contact the agencies directly or call United Way at (203) 883-0879. For more information about community resources, please dial 2-1-1 or visit www.211ct.org

IF YOU WANT TO HELP

Donate

You can donate to the Danbury Food Collaborative by going to:

www.uwesternct.org/danburyfoodcollaborative

You can also donate directly to the organizations listed on this guide.

Volunteer

You can browse current available volunteer opportunities by visiting the United Way Volunteer Portal:

<https://ignite.stratuslive.com/uwesternct/get-involved/volunteer>

You can also reach out directly to the organizations listed on this guide to ask about volunteering.



A GUIDE TO ACCESSING FOOD IN DANBURY

The Danbury Food Collaborative includes critical food assistance providers, such as food pantries, congregate meal programs, and meal delivery programs. Food assistance providers offer a variety of options following all local health and safety precautions. Options may include pre-packaged groceries, grocery delivery, drive-thru grocery pick up, grab and go meals, and in-person shopping and dining among others.

Please review the listings and contact food assistance providers directly for additional information.

This guide was last updated in July 2024.
See the most up-to-date information here:



PANTRIES

Most provide shelf-stable food and fresh foods.

Association of Religious Communities

24 Delay St., Suite 4, Danbury CT 06810
(behind Family Dollar)
203-792-9450 | interfaitharc.org

Open: Thursdays, 10am-12pm
Eligibility: Anyone
Requirements: None
Frequency of Visits: Unrestricted

Bethel Community Food Pantry

141 Greenwood Ave., Bethel, CT 06801
203-947-1754

Open: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays/month, 1-4pm
Eligibility: Priority is for Bethel residents
Requirements: Proof of address
Frequency of Visits: Twice per month
Please call for an appointment.

Brookfield Human Services

100 Pocono Rd., CT 06804
203-775-7312 | www.brookfieldct.gov

Open: Drive-through: Tuesdays, 9:30-11:00 am;
Drive-through: 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 4:30-6 pm
Note: Will not allow line-up until 15 minutes prior to opening.
Eligibility: Priority for Brookfield residents
Requirements: Proof of address, photo ID
Frequency of Visits: Weekly

Camella's Cupboard

P.O. Box 1771, New Milford, CT 06776
860-717-2509 | www.camellascupboard.com

Open: Fridays, 4:30-6:30 pm
Eligibility: New Milford residents
Requirements: Proof of address; proof of children
Frequency of Visits: Unrestricted

Community Action Agency of Western CT

78 Triangle St., Danbury, CT 06810
203-744-4700 ext. 125 | www.caawc.org

Open: Thursdays, 9-11 am
Eligibility: Anyone
Requirements: Photo ID
Frequency of Visits: Once per month

Connecticut Foodshare Mobile Pantries

203-741-9752
www.ctfoodshare.org (click on: "Find Help")

Text FOODSHARE to 85511 for information about Connecticut Foodshare's mobile pantries. Answer the simple prompts to have the schedule and locations near you sent right to your phone. Once you are opted-in, Connecticut Foodshare will also text cancellations and schedule changes.

The Connecticut Foodshare Mobile Food Pantry schedule is subject to change; check the website for updates. Currently the schedule is as follows:

Ellsworth School

53 Ellsworth Ave., Danbury
Every other Wednesday from 4:30-5:30pm.

New Hope Baptist Church

10 Dr. Aaron B. Samuels Blvd., Danbury
Every other Wednesday from 11:45am-12:45pm.

RIDGEFIELD: St. Andrew's Lutheran Church

6 Ivy Hill Rd., Ridgefield
Every other Friday from 9:45-10:45am.

Eligibility: Anyone

Requirements: None

Frequency of visits: Unrestricted

Daily Bread Food Pantry

25 West St., Danbury, CT 06810 (entrance is on Terrace Place)
203-826-8252 | www.dailybreadfoodpantry.com

Open: Tuesdays & Fridays, 9:30–11am and at other times by appointment (see website for details)

Eligibility: Anyone, but certain foods may be subject to income limits

Requirements: Photo ID, proof of address

Frequency of Visits: Three times per month

Interfaith AIDS Ministry

54 Main St., Danbury, CT 06810
203-748-4077 | www.iamdanbury.org

Open: Thursdays, 11am–4pm

Eligibility: Individuals and families infected and/or affected by HIV/AIDS.

Requirements: Physician signed form on being positive for HIV/AIDS

Frequency of Visits: Every 2 weeks

Jericho Food Pantry

22 Maple Ave, Danbury, CT 06810
203-791-1180 ext. 205 | www.jerichopartnership.org

Open: Fridays, 1-4pm; diapers available once a month on Fridays from 1-4pm

Eligibility: All welcome for first visit, with photo ID. Danbury residents only.

Requirements: ID verification for everyone in household (license or passport); birth certificate, school ID, or insurance card for all children in household; address verification (such as current light bill); income verification (paystub, employer letter, tax document, or notarized letter)

Frequency of Visits: Biweekly

New Hope Baptist Church Food Pantry

10 Aaron Samuels Blvd., Danbury, CT 06810
203-748-5461

Open: Every other Wednesday at 11:45am

Requirements: None

Frequency of visits: Unrestricted

Purple Heart Ministries Food Pantry

203-947-2141 | www.phmiinfo.org
Email: phmi2630@gmail.com

Temporary mailing address:
9 Ridge Road, New Milford, CT 06776

Food distribution schedule forthcoming.

The Salvation Army Emergency Assistance Food Pantry

15 Foster St., Danbury, CT 06810
203-792-7505

Open: Wednesdays, 9:30-11 am

Eligibility: Residents of Greater Danbury

Requirements: Photo ID, proof of address, number of people in household

Frequency of Visits: Once every 30 days

Additional distribution of bread and produce every Friday starting at 9:30am.

Victory Christian Center Food Pantry

23 Eden Dr., Danbury, CT 06810
203-778-4444

Open: Every Monday, distribution starts at 11 am

Eligibility: Anyone in Greater Danbury

Requirements: Photo ID; address verification

Frequency of Visits: Unrestricted

Walnut Hill Community Food Pantry (Drive-Thru)

156 Walnut Hill Rd., Bethel, CT 06801
203-796-7373
www.walnuthillonline.org/serving-our-community

Open: 2nd & 4th Wednesday/month, starting at 5:30 pm

Eligibility: Anyone

Requirements: Must have a vehicle to enter

Frequency of visits: Unrestricted

SENIOR FOOD RESOURCES

Meals on Wheels

Western Connecticut Area Agency on Aging
203-757-5449 | www.wcaaa.org/programs/nutrition-and-home-delivered-meals

Services: 2 prepackaged meals for regular & therapeutic diets up to 7 days/wk.

Eligibility: You must be 60 years old or older, homebound, or unable to drive. You must NOT be on the Connecticut Home Care Program for Elders. Private pay program is also available for people with qualifying medical conditions who are under age 60.

Danbury Senior Center at Elmwood Hall

10 Elmwood Place, Danbury, CT 06810
203-797-4686 | www.danburyseniors.org

The Senior Nutrition Lunch Program is a hot, nutritionally balanced meal served at the Senior Center on Wednesday and Friday for those age 60 plus. You must sign up for lunch by the previous Wednesday before 11:30am in order to have lunch the following week. PLEASE NOTE: NO WALK IN'S. Meals provided in partnership with CW Resources. Suggested donation of \$3. Free light breakfast offered Monday - Friday from 8:30am - 10am. Coffee available Monday - Friday from 8:30am - 3:30pm.