

# Capital Region Food Program

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### **THIRTEEN SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES & FOOD PANTRIES RECEIVE OVER 1.9 TONS OF FOOD**

CONCORD, NH — Over 1.9 tons of non-perishable food was distributed to local social service agencies, area food pantries, and church groups as part of the Capital Region Food Program's Year-Round Distribution Project in April. Since July 2008, over 17 tons of food has been purchased and donated to partner agencies.

As part of the Year-Round Distribution Project, the CRFP purchases and donates non-perishable items such as canned fruit and vegetables, peanut butter, breakfast cereal, pasta, and soups ten times annual to over thirty local agencies.

Participating agencies in April included: Belknap/Merrimack County Community Action Program, Blueberry Express Daycare, Boscawen Congregational Church, Boscawen Human Services, Centrepont Church, Chichester Food Pantry, Concord Human Services, First Congregational Church, Friendly Kitchen, Merrimack Valley Daycare, St. Paul's Church/St. Vincent de Paul Society, St. Peter's Church/St. Vincent de Paul Society, and Suncook Community Action Program.

Visit [www.capitalregionfoodprogram.org](http://www.capitalregionfoodprogram.org) for more information on how to organize a food drive, to donate and to volunteer, and to find a list of partner agencies supported by CRFP efforts.

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The Capital Region Food Program, in association with social service agencies, area food pantries, and church groups, has been dedicated to the elimination of hunger in Greater Concord Area since 1974 through distribution of food to individuals and families.

On an annual basis, the CRFP distributes over 100 tons of food through two initiatives. Thirty-five (35) tons of food is distributed through the Year Round Distribution Project which is held ten times throughout the year at Associated Grocers of New England. Sixty-five (65) tons of food is distributed through the program's Holiday Food Basket Project, held in partnership with the New Hampshire Army National Guard each December.