

**Strike Out Hunger Week:**  
2017 Food Drive, FarmShare Food Giveaway, Food Banks  
& Pantries Food Giveaway & Basket Giveaway  
**Outcomes Report & Request for Co-sponsorship**



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Sponsored by: Long Foundation, Inc. & The Martin Luther King, Jr., Commission of Florida, Inc.

Co- Sponsors:

- Alachua County Government
- The City of Gainesville
- Alachua County Nutrition Alliance (ACNA)
- Representative Clovis Watson, Jr.
- FarmShare

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**Proposed Strike Out Hunger Week Events**  
**November 12-15, 2018 Alachua County Fairgrounds**

- Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup> – Communitywide Food Drive at the Alachua County Fairgrounds.
- Tuesday, November 13<sup>th</sup> – Sorting of food items to be picked up by food banks and pantries.

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**Proposed Strike Out Hunger Week Events**  
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- Wednesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> – Pick up donated food items by local Food Banks and Pantries.
- Wednesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> - Food Distribution by FarmShare and Rep. Clovis Watson, Jr. at the Alachua County Fairgrounds.

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- Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup> – Thanksgiving Basket Giveaways to eligible Alachua County families with vouchers from Alachua County Social Services and the Long Foundation, Inc.
- Vouchers for needy families will be distributed on October 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Multipurpose Center, 1028 NE 14<sup>th</sup> Street.

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**Food Drive and Food Giveaway Mission:** To collaborate with local Businesses, Faith Based Organizations, Education, Government, Law Enforcement agencies, Private, Not-for Profit agencies, City and County Residents, to develop an all-encompassing food drive and food giveaway program to help feed the hungry in our community.

**Food Drive and Giveaway Goal:** To build a safety net for those in need of food, increase the availability of food to those who are nutritionally challenged, bring awareness of the ever growing issue of hunger, and develop a work plan to unite community food collections, to support our local food pantries. And, to assist the Alachua County Nutritional Alliance (ACNA) in accomplishing its goals of addressing food security in Alachua County.

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## Strike Out Hunger Week: History



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## Strike Out Hunger Week: History

- September 16, 2008, Alachua County Initiated the first Strike Out Hunger Food Drive held at Citizens Field in recognition of National Hunger Month and to promote the first Hunger Summit.
- In 2008 - 26, 000 pounds of food was collected.
- September 18, 2008, the first Hunger Summit sponsored by Alachua County, City of Gainesville, Alachua County Medical Society, Alachua County School Board and United Way to begin the process of developing a Hunger Abatement Plan.

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## **Strike Out Hunger Week: History**

- July 2009, Alachua County approved the Hunger Abatement Plan.
- 2009, City of Gainesville adopts the Hunger Abatement Plan.
- Alachua County Nutrition Alliance (ACNA) organized to implement the HAP Plan.
- 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 & 2017, Community Wide Strike Out Hunger Food Drives were held at The Fairgrounds as a public/private partnership.

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## **2017 Beneficiaries**

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- Bread of the Mighty Food Bank
- Eldercare/Senior Recreation Center
- Food 4 Kids Backpack Program
- Lazarus Restoration
- Newberry United Methodist Church
- Showers of Blessings Harvest Center Bread Ministry
- The Upper Room Church of Christ
- Blessed Hope – Newberry, Florida
- UF Food Pantry

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## 2017 Community Partners

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- UF Health, Gainesville Area Chamber of Commerce, Cox Communications, Dollar General Distribution Center, Waste Corporation of America, North Florida Regional Medical Center, Collier Companies, McDonald's of Gainesville, Zaxby's, Sandwich Inn, Chunky's, James Eckert, D. Gator Salon, Gainesville Regional Utilities, John L. Flemming, W.W. Gay, James Celebrity Soulfood, Commissioner Lee Pinkoson, Gladys G. Cofrin, Louis Kalivoda, Kinnon Thomas, Representative Clovis Watson, Jr., FarmShare, Gainesville Sun, The Gainesville Guardian, TV 20, My GTN TV.



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## 2017 Other Partners

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- Faith and Community Leaders
- Alachua County School District
- Governmental Agencies
- Civic and Social Organizations



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## 2017 Strike Out Hunger Week:

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- **Over 125 organizations** participated in the Strike out Hunger Week: Food Drive, Farmshare Food Giveaway, Food Banks and Pantries Food Giveaway & Thanksgiving Basket Giveaway Program.
- **Nearly 200 volunteers** donated an average of 4 hours towards Strike Out Hunger Week.
- **Nearly 1,500 families** averaging five (5) members per household totaling 7,500 individuals received Thanksgiving Baskets with turkeys, hams or roast beef and other non-perishable food items.

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## 2016 Strike Out Hunger:

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- **970 Families** were served through the Alachua County School District Partnership totaling nearly 53,350 pounds of non-perishable food items.
- **Over 20,000 pounds of turkeys, hams and roast beef** were distributed to needy families.
- **Nearly 158,000 pounds of non-perishable** food items including **the Alachua County School District** were collected and distributed.

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## 2016 Strike Out Hunger:

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- **Nearly 30,000 pounds of perishable food items impacting 451 families totaling nearly 900 individuals** were donated by **FarmShare** and distributed to needy families.
- **Nearly 188,000 pounds** of non-perishable and perishable food items were collected and distributed through the Strike Out Hunger Food Drive, **FarmShare Food Giveaway, Alachua County School District**, collection of nonperishable food items sponsored by other organizations and delivered directly to food banks, pantries or back pack programs.

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### City of Gainesville Co-sponsorship Request

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- **City of Gainesville** donates the use of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Multi-Purpose Center and or the Thomas Center for planning meetings. We have confirmed the attached meeting dates with Erica Chapman, Thomas Center or Dwight Jackson, King Center for the dates and times listed in the Strike Out Hunger Week Timelines and Critical Dates.
- Issue a proclamation at the October 18, 2018 City Commission Meeting in recognition of November 2018 as National Hunger Month.

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- Appoint a designee from the City of Gainesville to attend the planning meetings and to keep the City Commission informed of the progress of the Strike Out Hunger Week.
- The Mayor, Manager or his designee attend if possible and participate in the Strike Out Hunger Week Food Drive Drop off on Monday, November 12, 2018 from 8:00 am -5:00pm at the Fairgrounds.
- The Mayor, Manager or his designee participate if possible at the fairgrounds in the pick-up of donated food items by the food banks and pantries on Wednesday, November 14, 2018 from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm.

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- The Mayor, Manager or his designee participate if possible at the fairgrounds in the FarmShare Food Giveaway Program co-sponsored by Representative Clovis Watson, Jr. on Wednesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> 12:00 – 3:00 p.m. at the fairgrounds.
- Participate if possible in the pick-up of Thanksgiving Baskets by needy families on Thursday, November 15, 2018 from 12:00 pm – 6:00 pm at the Fairgrounds.
- City of Gainesville and Gainesville Regional Utilities Departments and staff to coordinate and participate as one of our government organizations in the collection of non-perishable food items for the food drive.

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### City of Gainesville Co-sponsorship Request

- The City Commission to receive a final presentation at the Monday, March 7, 2019 City Commission meeting regarding the outcomes report for 2018 Strike Out Hunger Week.
- **Public Works Department:** Provide the use of orange parking cones. Delivery date is November 9, 2018 at the Fairgrounds.
- **Communications Department:** Provide air time for pre-produced public service announcements to be aired on Cox Cable Channel 12.

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