

## **Strike Out Hunger Week:**

**2016 Food Drive, FarmShare Food Giveaway, Food Banks  
& Pantries Food Giveaway & Basket Giveaway  
Outcomes Report & Request for Co-sponsorship**



**2017 Request for Co-Sponsorship**

# Strike Out Hunger Week:

## 2016 Outcomes Report

## 2017 Request for Co-Sponsorship

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

### Co- Sponsors:

- Alachua County Government (Proposed)
- The City of Gainesville (Proposed)
- Alachua County Nutrition Alliance (ACNA)

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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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## Proposed Strike Out Hunger Week Events

- Monday, November 13, 2017 – Communitywide Food Drive at the Alachua County Fairgrounds.
- Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> – Pick up donated Food Items by Food Banks and Pantries.

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- Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> – FarmShare Food Giveaway with Representative Clovis Watson, Jr.
- Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup> – Thanksgiving Basket Giveaway to eligible Alachua County families with vouchers from Alachua County Social Services, social services agencies and the Long Foundation, Inc.

# Strike Out Hunger Week:

## History



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- **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.**

# **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, and 2015 Community Wide Strike Out Hunger Food Drives were held at The Fairgrounds as a public/private partnership.**

# 2016 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

# 2016 Strike Out Hunger Week:

## Outcomes Report

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- **Over 100 organizations** participated in the Strike out Hunger Week: Food Drive, Farmshare Food Giveaway, Food Banks and Pantries Food Giveaway & Thanksgiving Basket Giveaway Program.
- **Nearly 100 volunteers** donated an average of 4 hours towards Strike Out Hunger Week.
- **Nearly 2000 Thanksgiving Baskets** with turkeys were distributed to families in Alachua County.
- **900 Families** were served through the Alachua County School District Partnership.

# 2016 Strike Out Hunger:

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- **Over 14,000 pounds of turkeys** were distributed to needy families.
- **Nearly 120,000 pounds of non-perishable** food items were collected and distributed.
- **Over 20, 000 pounds of perishable food items impacting 440 families** were donated by FarmShare and distributed to needy families.

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**Nearly 140,000 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.

## 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 the Thomas Center for planning meetings. We have confirmed the above facilities on the dates and times listed in the below Strike Out Hunger Week Timelines and Critical Dates.
- Issue a proclamation at the October 19, 2017 City Commission Meeting in recognition of November, 2017 as National Hunger Month.
- 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.

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- The Mayor, Manager or his designee attend if possible and participate in the Strike Out Hunger Week Food Drive Drop off on Monday, November 13, 2017 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 15, 2017 from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm.

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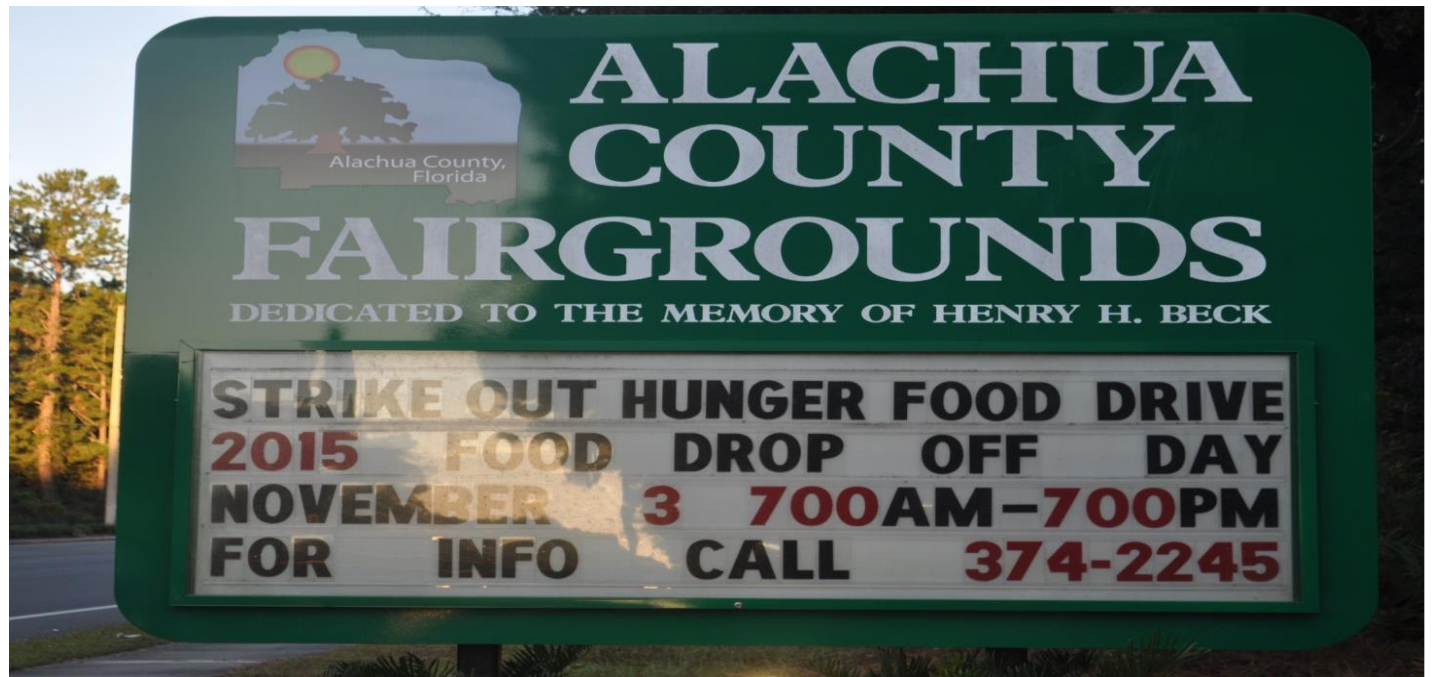
- The Mayor, Manager or his designee participate if possible at the fairgrounds in the FarmShare Food Giveaway Program co-sponsored by Representative Clovis Watson, Jr. on Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> 12:00 – 3:00 p.m. at the fairgrounds.
- Participate if possible in the pick-up of Thanksgiving Baskets by needy families on Thursday, November 16, 2017 from 2:00 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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- **Public Works Department**: Provide the use of orange parking cones. Delivery date is November 10, 2017 at the Fairgrounds.
- **Communications Department**: Provide air time for pre produced public service announcements to be aired on Cox Cable Channel 12.
- The City Commission to receive a final presentation at the Monday, March 1, 2018 City Commission meeting regarding the outcomes report for 2017 Strike Out Hunger Week.

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**November 13th – 16<sup>th</sup>**  
**Alachua County Fairgrounds**