Where can I pick up my Food Drive Boxes or make a Financial Contribution?

You can pick up your food drive boxes at The Long Foundation, Inc. 1712 NE Waldo Road, Gainesville, Florida (352-371-4566).



To make a donation:

Please make your checks payable to: Martin Luther King, Jr., Commission of Florida, Inc.

You can drop off or mail your donation to: MLK Commission of Fla, 1712 NE Waldo Road, Gainesville, Florida 32609.

Who are the sponsors of the Strike Out Hunger Week?

Sponsors: The Martin Luther King, Jr., Commission of Florida, Inc. and The Long Foundation, Inc.

Co-sponsors: Alachua County Government, The City of Gainesville, . and The Alachua County Nutrition Alliance (ACNA), FarmShare and Rep. Clovis Watson, Jr.

Corporate Sponsors:

There are over 100 participating organizations including representation from our business, government, civic, educational, faith community and many volunteers.

Who do I contact if I need more information?

If you need additional information on the Strike Out Hunger Week, please contact The Long Foundation or the MLK Commission at (352) 371-4566 or email: mlkcommissionoffla@gmail.com www.facebook.com/ thelongfoundation,inc



Please join us in this effort to make a difference in someone's life



Strike Out Hunger Week

November 13-16 - Alachua County Fairgrounds

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What is Strike Out Hunger

Week? The Month of November is recognized as National Hunger Month in America. In 2008 to bring awareness to hunger in Alachua County. Strike Out Hunger Week includes a community wide food drive that benefits our local food bank and pantries. In addition, we collaborate with Farmshare and Rep. Clovis Watson, Jr., to provide free food to our neediest citizens. And, we provide Thanksgiving Baskets to eligible Alachua County resident.

What is the Goal of the Strike Out Hunger Food Drive and

Food Giveaway? 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 in Alachua County, and develop a comprehensive community plan to collect food to support our local food pantries.



Who will receive the Nonperishable and perishable food Items?

The beneficiaries of the non-perishable and perishable food items will be citizen's of Alachua County and nonprofit food banks and pantries including Bread of the Mighty Food Bank, Eldercare/ Senior Recreation Center, Food 4 Kids Backpack Program, Lazarus Restoration, Newberry United Methodist Church, The Upper Room COGIC, Showers of Blessings Harvest Center Food Pantry and others. Vouchers for Thanksgiving Baskets to needy families is through Alachua County Social Services and The Long Foundation, Inc.

How can I, my Business, Educational or Governmental Institutions, Church or Civic Groups Get Involved?

- 1) Appoint an Ambassador to coordinate your organizations efforts to help us achieve our goal of collecting non-perishable food items for our food banks and pantries.
- 2) Contact us to get your collection boxes and deliver the collected items to

the Alachua County Fairgrounds on Monday, November 13th between 8:00 am and 7:00 pm

3) Provide a monetary contribution to assist in the purchase of turkeys and other items for the Thanksgiving Baskets for needy families in Alachua County.



What are the dates of Strike Out Hunger Week?

Monday, November 13th Community Drop off Food Day at the Alachua County Fairgrounds (8am-7pm)

Wednesday, November 16th, Distribution of Food to Food Banks and Pantries and free food giveaway by FarmShare and Rep. Clovis Watson, Jr. at the Alachua County Fairgrounds

Thursday, November 17th: Distribution of Thanksgiving Baskets to needy Families at the Alachua County Fairgrounds.