



## Legislation Text

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### **2014 Strike Out Hunger Food Drive Outcomes (B)**

**The purpose of this item is to hear a presentation on the results and outcomes of the 2014 Strike Out Hunger Food Drive for Gainesville/Alachua County and to ask for continued support from the City during the 2015 Strike Out Hunger Food Drive. \*\*ESTIMATED PRESENTATION 10 MINUTES\*\***

For several years, the City of Gainesville and its employees have participated in the Strike Out Hunger Food Drive. The food drive is organized by former Alachua County Commissioner Rodney Long. The City of Gainesville has been a committed partner in the effort to reduce poverty in Gainesville/Alachua County for a number of years. In addition, the City has been a major partner in the creation and development of the Hunger Abatement Plan for Gainesville/Alachua County. The Strike Out Hunger Food Drive collects food and donations to restock food pantries throughout Gainesville/Alachua County for needy families. Without the annual food drive, many of the local food pantries would run out of food during one of the most critical times of the year, which is the holiday season. Mr. Long has requested an opportunity to report the results and outcomes of the 2014 Strike Out Hunger Food Drive and to request continued support from the City during the 2015 Strike Out Hunger Food Drive.

There is little or no cost to the city to participate in the annual food drive other than minimal staff time.

The City Commission: 1) hear a presentation on the 2014 Strike Out Hunger Food Drive for Gainesville/Alachua County; and 2) consider the request for continued City support and participation in the 2015 Strike Out Hunger Food Drive.