

# West Side Baptist Church

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<https://wsbctopeka.org/get-help/food-pantry>



## FREE FRUIT & VEGETABLE FOOD PANTRY MOST WEDNESDAYS 3:30 PM to 5:30 PM

WEST SIDE BAPTIST CHURCH  
1008 SW 4TH ST., TOPEKA, KS 66606  
"HELPING PEOPLE THRIVE"

### "Help Hungry People Eat Healthier Foods."

The Fruit & Vegetable Food Pantry aims to (1) Help Provide Food Security, (2) Share Generously, (3) Welcoming All People into a Safe Space, and (4) Reduce the Impact of Food Deserts in the Ward-Meade Neighborhood and Topeka.

TEXT "FOOD"  
TO

**(785) 432-5383**

Register for Updates and Alerts. 4 msgs/mnth. Data rates and fees may apply. Text STOP to unsubscribe.



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**CLOSED the 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the Month**

**IDENTIFICATION REQUIRED EVERY VISIT**

## **PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:**

- **DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION** - Church respect and honors all people, regardless of age, color, creed, ethnicity, gender expression, marital status, military obligations, national origin (ancestry), physical appearance (height, weight, etc.), physical or mental ability (handicap), race, religion (or no religious beliefs), sex, sexual orientation, or veteran status. The Church does not discriminate in the distribution of goods and social services. If you have experienced discrimination, speak with a program supervisor, or call the Minister at (785) 233-4241.
- **CLOSED** – Closed on the fifth Wednesday of the Month (no food deliveries), on or near certain holidays (such as the Wednesday before Thanksgiving and the Christmas holiday through New Year's Day, the 4th of July, Thanksgiving, and Christmas). Updates at <https://wsbctopeka.org/get-help/baby-closet>.
- **CONDUCT** - The Pantry reserves the right to refuse service to persons who violate the community rules for good conduct (e.g., abusive or threatening language, cutting lines, lying, using foul language, etc.).
- **COMMUNICABLE DISEASES & EMERGENCIES:** The Pantry will comply with all federal, state, county, and local regulations, mandates, and laws to mitigate the spread of communicable diseases including the Coronavirus (COVID-19) beginning March 2020 until further notice. Find accurate and updated information at the Shawnee County Health Department website: <https://www.snco.us/hd>.
- **DELIVERIES** - No deliveries, transportation of persons, or donations provided. People are encouraged to carpool, walk, use public transportation, or use other forms of transportation.
- **DISTRIBUTION** - Food is distributed freely on a first-come, first-served basis while supplies last.
- **DISTRIBUTION LINE** - *Line-Up on 4th STREET ONLY. Do NOT use Fillmore, Western, or any side street.* Be a good citizen and neighbor! Do NOT cut into the line or jump places. **Enter Western PARKING LOT from 4th and CLAY Streets. Do not park or exit your vehicle.** Violators will be warned and required to return to the end of the line. Repeat offenders will not be served.
- **HOUSEHOLDS** - One household per address. ***All individuals residing at a single domicile, regardless of age or familial relationship, are considered one household unless the property is subdivided (e.g., multi-family structure) by the owner as reported to the City of Topeka or the County of Shawnee, Kansas.***
- **IDENTIFICATION REQUIRED EVERY VISIT:** Clients must provide a valid, government-issued PHOTO I.D. with a current address (including apartment number, if applicable) printed on the document. Clients without identification must have prior permission from the Program Supervisor. Homeless persons are welcome but must register under the last address used to receive US postal service mail.
- **PRESENCE** - Clients must be present to receive food. In emergencies, clients may pick up food for a disabled family member or neighbor (a maximum of two families) ONLY if the client has prior written permission and shows a proper PHOTO ID for all clients.
- **REPORTING/SIGN-IN** - Clients must print their name and report the number of residents in the household, regardless of age or familial relationships, on a Harvesters Community Food Network form.
- **RESIDENCY** - Clients must reside (i.e., live) in the Topeka area (zip code 66601-66619) with the intent to make the City of Topeka their permanent home.
- **WEATHER/EMERGENCIES-** The Food Pantry may be canceled, postponed, relocated, and/or rescheduled in response to inclement weather and/or emergencies without prior notification or publication.
- **WEEKLY (HEBDOMADAL)** - Clients are limited to one weekly distribution.
- **UPDATES**– The eligibility requirements, policies, and programs may be changed, modified, updated, and/or canceled without prior notification or publication.

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