

## September 2022

### Food Bank Closings

Monday, September 5th—Labor Day  
Monday, October 10th—Columbus Day

### Quotable

*“Everybody can be great...because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love.”*

~Martin Luther King

### QSR Winners

Congratulations to the 2nd Quarter 2022 QSR winners! Each of the winning agencies has received a \$25 credit on their NHFB account.

- 1.YWCA Youth Services, Manchester
- 2.Christian Bible Church, Nashua
- 3.Nashua Soup Kitchen

To be eligible to win next quarter, be sure to submit your report on time (when next issued in Oct.) and use the current form.

### Upcoming Classes

All sessions are held online using Zoom.

To enroll in an upcoming session, please contact [jcheney@nhfoodbank.org](mailto:jcheney@nhfoodbank.org).

All programs are required to have at least one active person at their facility that is Safe Food Handling certified.

#### Safe Food Handling

For Food Pantries:

Thursday, October 13th @4pm

For Soup Kitchens & Prepared Meals:

Wednesday, September 28th @1pm

#### New Shopper Orientation

Thursday, September 8th @10am

Tuesday, October 11th @10am

### Stay Tuned for Turkeys

Thanksgiving Turkey order request forms will be going out this month! Agency Relations will be in touch via email soon about what this process will look like for this holiday season.



### Feeding America Conference



During the 2nd week of August, our Agency Relations team and Warehouse Manager attended the Feeding America “Feed, Nourish, Connect” conference in Philadelphia. This conference was a great time for our team to network with other Food Banks from around the US, and a time to learn with the hope of benefitting your programs. We were able to attend several focused sessions, hear from Food Banking experts and speakers, and visit Feeding America properties around Philadelphia. Our team is excited to implement and expand on topics and ideas we gathered from this conference. We appreciate your patience and cooperation while we were away during that time.

### NH Feeding NH

The 2022 NH Feeding NH program kicked off this Summer and there are currently 130 NHFB agencies participating this year. We are excited about the fresh produce, protein and dairy items that these agencies have been able to purchase at local NH farms for their clients. In only 2 months, over \$32,000 has been spent by our agencies through this program with much more to be allocated and spent over the duration of the program year. About 100 NH farmers are supported annually through this program.

### Grant and Donation Feedback

If you have received any funding or food or had other donations issued to you through a grant from a NH Food Bank donor, please be aware that we are asking you to provide photos, feedback or stories to share with us and the donor. This information is used in grant reporting and presented to the donor as a Thank You for their donation. Any photos, stories, feedback and notes can be sent to [Jocelyn at jcheney@nhfoodbank.org](mailto:Jocelyn@nhfoodbank.org).

### One Last Note From The Agency Relations Team

\*The NHFB Agency Relations team recently received the “President’s Community Partner Award” from Campus Compact NH and Lakes Region Community College. We are honored to have received this gift and are thankful for our partnership with LRCC Food Pantry. Thank you for considering us for this honor and for all you do for the Lakes Region!

\*In October, we are excited to be able to celebrate Agency Appreciation Month and also host our Agency Appreciation luncheon in person again this year (after a 2 year hiatus). Please keep any eye out this month about details of that luncheon and other events taking place to celebrate you! ~Stacey, Alyssa, Jocelyn, Christy, Natalie & Kristie