

# A Guide to Accessing Food in Danbury

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Members of the Danbury Food Collaborative are implementing safety and hygiene precautions to protect the health of participants, volunteers, and staff. Pantries have transitioned from choice pantry models to pre-packaged bags, and they are adjusting sign-in and other processes to allow social distancing and enhanced sanitizing practices.

## FOOD PANTRIES

Most food pantries provide shelf-stable food (pasta, canned goods, etc.) as well as fresh foods.

### Association of Religious Communities

24 Delay St., Danbury CT 06810  
(behind Family Dollar) / 203-792-9450

Open: Fridays.

Food is distributed at 12 pm.

Eligibility: Anyone.

Documents needed: None.

Frequency of Visits: Unrestricted.

### Bethel Community Food Pantry

141 Greenwood Avenue, Bethel, CT 06801 /  
203-947-1754

Open: 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month.

Eligibility: Priority is for Bethel residents.

Documents needed: Proof of address.

Frequency of Visits: Twice per month.

### Brookfield Social Services

100 Pocono Rd, CT 06804 / 203-775-7312

Open: Drive through. Tuesdays, 9:30-11:00 am.

Eligibility: Priority is for Brookfield residents.

Documents needed: Proof of address.

Frequency of Visits: Weekly.

### Community Action Agency of Western CT

10 Aaron Samuels Blvd., Danbury, CT 06810 /  
203-744-4700 ext. 105

Open: Thursdays, 1-4 pm.

Eligibility: Individuals and families below 235% of Federal Poverty Limit.

Documents needed: Photo ID, income verification.

Frequency of Visits: Once per month.

### Daily Bread Food Pantry

25 West St., Danbury, CT 06810 / 203-826-8252  
(entrance is on Terrace Place)

[www.dailybreadfoodpantry.com/visiting-the-pantry-new](http://www.dailybreadfoodpantry.com/visiting-the-pantry-new)

Open: Tuesdays & Fridays, 9:30–11:00 am.

Eligibility: Anyone, but certain foods may be subject to income limits.

Documents needed: Photo ID, proof of address.

Frequency of Visits: Three times per month.

### Interfaith AIDS Ministry

54 Main St., Danbury, CT 06810 / 203-748-4077

Open: Thursday, 11 am–4 pm.

Eligibility: Individuals and families infected and / or affected by HIV / AIDS.

Documents needed: Physician signed form on being positive for HIV / AIDS.

Frequency of Visits: Every 2 weeks.

### Jericho Food Pantry

22 Maple Ave, Danbury, CT 06810 /  
203-794-7950 ext. 202

Open: Fridays, distribution starts at 12 noon.

Eligibility: All welcome for first visit, with photo ID.

After first visit, you must apply for voucher to use the pantry. Please call for appointment.

Documents needed: Photo ID, address verification, paystub, children's birth certificate.

Frequency of Visits: Once a month.

### New Hope Baptist Church Food Pantry

10 Aaron Samuels Blvd., Danbury, CT 06810 /  
(203) 748-5461

Open: 2nd Wednesday of the month, 8 am.

Documents needed: None.

Frequency of visits: Unrestricted.

### Purple Heart Ministries Food Pantry

30 Elm St., Danbury, CT 06810 /  
203-947-2141

Open: Wednesday, 2-3:30 pm.

Eligibility: Anyone.

Documents needed: None.

Frequency of visits: Weekly.

### Ridgefield Little Pantries

Five pantries offer canned and nonperishable food items at the locations below. Help yourself to what you need. Write special requests and place them in the "wish box" on the pantry.

Ridgebury Congregational Church, 605 Ridgebury Rd.  
Jesse Lee Church, 207 Main St.

Nature's Temptations, 32 Prospect St.

Wooster Hollow Café, 659 Danbury Rd.

Boys & Girls Club, 41 Governor St.

### The Salvation Army Emergency

#### Assistance Food Pantry

15 Foster St., Danbury, CT 06810 / 203-792-7505  
Pantry: Wednesdays, 9 am–12 noon

Breadline: Wednesdays & Fridays 9 am-12 noon

Eligibility: Residents of Greater Danbury.

Documents needed: Photo ID, proof of address, number of people in household.

Frequency of Visits: Once every 30 days for the pantry, every week for the breadline.

### Victory Christian Center Food Pantry

23 Eden Dr., Danbury, CT 06810 / 203-778-4444

Open: Every Monday, distribution starts at 1:30 pm.

Eligibility: Anyone in Greater Danbury.

Documents needed: Photo ID with address verification.

Frequency of Visits: Unrestricted.

### Walnut Hill Community Food Pantry

156 Walnut Hill Rd., Bethel, CT 06801 /  
203-796-7373

Open: Bethel campus pantries are 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month, beginning at 5:30 pm

Eligibility: Anyone.

Documents needed: None.

Frequency of visits: Unrestricted.

## MOBILE FOOD PANTRIES

203-741-9752

[www.ctfoodbank.org/get-help/connecticut-food-banks-mobile-pantry-schedule/](http://www.ctfoodbank.org/get-help/connecticut-food-banks-mobile-pantry-schedule/)

The Connecticut Food Bank Mobile Food Pantry schedule is subject to change and will be continuously updated. Danbury distributions are at New Hope Baptist Church, 12 Dr. Aaron B. Samuels Blvd., Danbury, CT 06801

## CONGREGATE MEALS

Congregate meal providers offer prepared meals. Some offer food pantry items to take home.

### Catholic Charities Morning Glory Program

11 Spring St., Danbury, CT 06810 / 203-349-2428

Morning Glory is serving Grab-n-Go bags of breakfast food at the door, Monday-Friday 7:30–9 am.

### Dorothy Day House of Hospitality

11 Spring St., Danbury, CT 06810 / 203-743-7988

Open: Kitchen is serving Grab-n-Go bags of food from 3 pm-4:30 pm daily.

Eligibility: Anyone.

Required documents: None.

Frequency of visits: Unrestricted.

## DELIVERED GROCERY BAGS

### Hillside Food Outreach

4 Eagle Road, Danbury, CT 06810 / 203-702-4881 / 845-225-3393 [hillsidefoodoutreach.org](http://hillsidefoodoutreach.org).

Hillside Food Outreach is prepared to make home deliveries to quarantined people in the Danbury area. Call 203-702-4881 or visit their website for ways to help.

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## DANBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS FREE SUMMER MEALS

Meals are provided free for children 18 years of age and under. USDA regulations allow for one breakfast and one lunch per child, per day.

Children do not need to be present to pick up meals.

**Breakfast & Lunch Grab & Go Meals** are available from 10–11 am Monday through Thursday from 7/6/21 through 7/29/21 at the following locations:

Hayestown Avenue School, 42 Tamarack Road, Danbury CT 06811

Park Avenue School, 82 Park Avenue, Danbury CT 06810

## SNAP (Food Stamps)

### End Hunger Connecticut! SNAP Call Center

[www.endhungerct.org](http://www.endhungerct.org)

Call the toll-free SNAP Call Center at 866-974-SNAP (7627). To check hours and for more information, go to [www.ctsnap.org](http://www.ctsnap.org).

The End Hunger Connecticut!'s SNAP Call Center remains in full operation to help with applications, redeterminations, and other assistance for SNAP. They are experiencing an influx of calls, so you may need to leave a message. English and Spanish support.

## SENIOR FOOD RESOURCES

### Delivered Grocery Bags

#### Hillside Food Outreach

4 Eagle Road, Danbury, CT 06810 / 203-702-4881  
<https://hillsidefoodoutreach.org>

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### Homebound Seniors

Danbury seniors who need food or groceries delivered can contact Connecticut Community Care at 203-591-5485.

### Meals on Wheels

Western Connecticut Area Agency on Aging  
203-757-5449

Services: Two prepackaged meals for regular and therapeutic diets up to 7 days a week.

Eligibility: You must be 60 years old or older, homebound, or unable to drive. You must NOT be on the Connecticut Home Care Program for Elders. Private pay program is also available for people with qualifying medical conditions who are under age 60.

### Danbury Senior Center at Elmwood Hall

10 Elmwood Place, Danbury, CT 06810 / 203-797-4686

The Danbury Senior Center was a congregate meal site for seniors. Now 4 meals are offered through Grab and Go. A \$3 donation is suggested. Seniors must register with the program to receive meals. Program capacity limited. Subject to change due to the pandemic and COVID-19 rate.

## FARMERS MARKETS

### Danbury Farmers' Market

203-791-1711

[www.DanburyFarmersMarket.org](http://www.DanburyFarmersMarket.org) or

[www.facebook.com/danburyfarmersmarket](https://www.facebook.com/danburyfarmersmarket)

Open: Fridays 10 am–2 pm, June 25 thru Oct. 29, 2021

Danbury Railway Museum, 120 White St.

Eligibility: Open to all.

Accepts SNAP, WIC, Community Certificates.

Provides unlimited \$1 for \$1 match for SNAP, WIC, and Senior Farmer Market Nutrition Program vouchers. Veterans and Senior discount program, proof needed.

Frequency of visits: Unrestricted.

Food: Fresh, local.

### Brookfield Farmers' Market

Intersection of Pocono Road and Silvermine Road,

Open: Fridays, 3-6 pm thru Oct. 18, 2021

Eligibility: Open to all. Provides \$1 for \$1 match for SNAP.

## FOOD RESCUE US

(800) 280-3298 ext 10

[www.foodrescue.us](http://www.foodrescue.us)

Food Rescue US transfers fresh, excess food from grocers, restaurants, and other food donors to social service agencies that work with food insecure clients. During the pandemic, two emergency hunger relief programs, The Community Kitchen Meal Program and Restaurant Meal Program, provide individual meals to social service agency partners. Contact Danielle Blaine at [Danielle@foodrescue.us](mailto:Danielle@foodrescue.us) if you would like to volunteer or your organization is interested in receiving food.

## DANBURY WIC PROGRAM (Women, Infants & Children)

203-456-1410

**Currently all appointments are by phone.**

Services: Individual time to speak with a nutritionist or trained professional about your diet or your child's diet; breastfeeding support and information; referrals to health care and other social services; an eWIC card to buy healthy food for you or your children.

Eligibility: Pregnant women (through pregnancy and up to 6 weeks after birth or after pregnancy ends); breastfeeding women (up to infant's 1st birthday); non-breastfeeding postpartum women (up to 6 months after the birth of an infant or after pregnancy ends); infants\*\* (up to 1st birthday); children\*\* up to their 5th birthday.

\*\*fathers, grandparents, foster parents or other guardians may apply.

Requirements: Must live in Connecticut. You do not need to be a U.S. citizen; must complete a nutrition assessment with WIC staff; must meet the WIC income guidelines which are set at or below 185% of the federal poverty income limit.

## IF YOU WANT TO HELP

**Donate:** You can donate to the Danbury Food Collaborative by going to

[www.uwwesternct.org/danburyfoodcollaborative](http://www.uwwesternct.org/danburyfoodcollaborative)

You can also donate directly to the food pantries listed on this guide.

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