A Guide to Accessing Food in Danbury

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 12pm
Eligibility: Anyone
Documents needed: None
Frequency of Visits: Unrestricted

Bethel Community Food Pantry
141 Greenwood Avenue, Bethel, CT 203-947-1754
Open: 1st & 3rd Tuesday, 1:30-4:30pm by appointment
Eligibility: Priority is for Bethel residents.
Documents needed: Proof of address
Frequency of Visits: Twice per month

Brookfield Social Services
100 Pocono Rd, CT 203-775-7312
Open: Tuesdays, 9:30 am-11:00 am
Eligibility: Priority is for Brookfield residents.
Documents needed: Proof of address
Frequency of Visits: Varies

Community Action Agency of Western CT
10 Aaron Samuels Blvd., Danbury, CT 06810
Open: Thursdays, 1-4 pm
Eligibility: Individuals/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
Open: Tuesdays & Fridays, 9:30am - 11:00am
Eligibility: Anyone
Documents needed: photo ID, proof of address
Frequency of Visits: Twice per month

Interfaith AIDS Ministry
54 Main St., Danbury, CT 06810 / 203-748-4077
Open: Thursday, 11 am – 4 pm
Eligibility: Individuals / families infected / 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 1pm
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, pay stub, 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, 8:00am
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: Unrestricted

The Salvation Army Emergency Assistance Food Pantry
50 Foster St., Danbury, CT 06810 203-792-7505
Pantry: Wednesdays, 9 am-12 noon
Breadline: Wednesdays & Fridays 9am-12pm
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
20 Eden Dr., Danbury, CT 203-778-4444
Open: Every Monday, distribution starts at 1:30pm
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: Oct 14 & 28, Nov 11 & 25, Dec 9 & 23
Eligibility: Anyone
Documents needed: None
Frequency of visits: Unrestricted

MOBILE FOOD PANTRIES

The Connecticut Food Bank Mobile Food Pantry schedule is subject to change and will be continuously updated. Call 203-741-9752. Distributions in Danbury take place at Rogers Park Middle School and New Hope Baptist Church.


CONGREGATE MEALS

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

For more information, or to donate food, please contact the agencies directly or call United Way at 203-883-0879. For more information about community resources dial 2-1-1 or visit ww.211.ct.org

Catholic Charities Morning Glory Program
11 Spring St., Danbury, CT / 203-349-2428
Morning Glory is serving Grab n Go bags of breakfast food at the door from Monday-Friday 7:30am to 9:00am at 11 Spring St., Danbury

Dorothy Day House of Hospitality
11 Spring St., Danbury, CT 06810 / 203-743-7988
Open: Kitchen is serving grab and 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
39 Old Ridgebury Rd., Suite 16, Danbury, CT 203-702-4881
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: https://hillsidefoodoutreach.org

SNAP (Food Stamps)
End Hunger Connecticut! SNAP Call Center
www.endhungerct.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. Call the toll-free SNAP Call Center at 866-974-SNAP (7627) To check hours and for more information, go to www.ctsnap.org

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**DANBURY PUBLIC SCHOOL MEALS**
For Distant Learners, beginning 9/8/20, Grab-and-Go meals will be available each school day from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm at the below listed schools for any student enrolled in Danbury Public Schools (DPS). Each school day, a complete breakfast and lunch will be available. The student does not need to be present to receive meals. The parent or guardian may pick up meals for their child. Please drive up to the main school entrance and a meal will be delivered to you. Stations will be available for walk-ups. For verification purposes and before a meal is delivered, the staff will be required to check the DPS Student ID. If an ID is not available, the staff will request the student name. Locations and times could change. Please check the DPS website at www.danbury.k12.ct.us for updated information.

**SENIOR FOOD RESOURCES**

**Delivered Grocery Bags**

**Hillside Food Outreach**
39 Old Ridgebury Rd., Suite 16, Danbury, CT 203-702-4881
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: https://hillsidefoodoutreach.org.

**Homebound Seniors**
Danbury seniors who need food or groceries delivered can contact Connecticut Community Care at 203-591-5485. If you are a homebound senior over the age of 60 who is not participating in the CT Homecare Program and would like Meals on Wheels, call Western CT Area Agency on Aging at 800-994-9422 or 203-757-5449. They are arranging for a 2-week supply of meals to be delivered to home-bound seniors.

**Danbury Senior Center at Elmwood Hall**
10 Elmwood Place, Danbury, CT 06810 / 203-797-4686
The Danbury Senior Center was a congregation meal site for seniors. Now 4 of the 5 meals are delivered to Danbury seniors twice a week. Call the Senior Center at 203-797-4686.

**FARMERS MARKET**

**Danbury Farmers’ Market**
203-791-1711
Open: Fridays 10 am–2 pm, June 19th thru Oct. 30
Danbury Railway Museum, 120 White St. Visit www.DanburyFarmersMarket.org or Facebook DanburyConnecticutFarmers’ Market Eligibility: Open to all. Accepts SNAP, WIC, Community Certificates. Provides unlimited $1 for $1 match for SNAP, up to $9 match for WIC and Senior Farmer Market Nutrition Program vouchers. Veterans and Senior discount program proof needed.

**Food Rescue US**
www.foodrescue.us
P.O. Box 1316, Norwalk, CT 06856-1316
(800) 280-3298 ext 10
Food Rescue US is committed to ending American food insecurity by directly transferring fresh, usable food that would have otherwise been thrown away from restaurants, grocers & other sources to food-insecure families throughout the U.S. They are now providing individual meals to their social service partners, along with excess food donations. Please contact Danielle Blaine at danielle@foodrescue.us if you would like to volunteer or your organization is interested in receiving food donations.

**For more information, or to donate food, please contact the agencies directly or call United Way at 203-883-0879. For more information about community resources dial 211 or visit www.211.ct.org.**

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

**NEW**
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.uwesternct.org/danburyfoodcollaborative
You can also donate directly to the food pantries listed on this guide.

**Volunteer:** If you want to volunteer to deliver food to the homebound, call Stacy Schulman at 203-826-8479 or stacy.schulman@uwesternct.org

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