

Thanksgiving Meals and Food

Thanksgiving is on Thursday, November 25th, 2021

Bidwell Riverside Center

(515) 244-6251
1203 Hartford Avenue
Des Moines, IA 50315

- **Thanksgiving Meat:** Meat packages vary and include a minimum of 10 pounds of meat. Meat Packages must be signed up for in advanced.
- **Availability:** Sign-up begins November 1st by texting 515-346-8895, include first and last name, and birthdate. You can also call and leave a message with that information. You will receive a confirmation number.
 - **Pick up dates:**
 - Tuesday, November 9th 8:00 - 10:00 am, deadline to sign-up November 5th
 - Thursday, November 11th 4:00 - 6:00 pm, deadline to sign-up November 8th
 - Tuesday, November 16th 8:00 - 10:00 am, deadline to sign-up November 12th
 - Thursday, November 18th 4:00 - 6:00 pm, deadline to sign-up November 15th
 - Saturday, November 20th 8:00 am – 1:00 pm, deadline to sign-up November 17th
- **Eligibility:** Available to individuals who received services from the Bidwell Food Pantry in October or November 2021. Only one Thanksgiving Meat Package per household.
- **Other:** A valid photo ID for an adult must be presented at pick up. You must receive a confirmation number. Tuesday & Saturday events are no-contact pickup. Stay in the car. Thursday events pick up at pantry window.

Parks Community Thanksgiving Dinner – at Chucks Restaurant

(515) 857-5229
3610 6th Avenue
Des Moines, IA 50313

- **Pick-up Meal:** Thanksgiving Day
 - 11:00 am - 1:00 pm
 - To sign-up call (515) 857-5229
 - Deadline to sign-up November 24th at 12:00 noon
 - No dine-in option this year
- **Eligibility:** Open to anyone. No documentation or proof of income necessary.
- **Delivery meal:** Thanksgiving Day
 - Deliveries will be dropped off between 9:30 am – 2:00 pm.
 - Call (515) 857-5229 to sign-up.
 - Deadline to sign-up November 24th at 12:00 noon.
- **Eligibility:** Delivery available to zip codes 50302, 50309, 50310, 50311, 50312, 50313, 50314, 50315, 50316, and 50317. Limit of 8 meals per household. Name, address, and phone number needed when registering. Must be present for the delivery.

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Urbandale Food Pantry

(515) 251-6688

7611 Douglas Avenue, Suite 34

Urbandale, IA 50322

- **Turkey:** During the month of November, pick-up a frozen turkey in addition to regular food during scheduled pantry hours:
 - Monday - Thursday 9:30 am - 6:30 pm
 - Saturday 8:00 am - 12:00 noon
 - Closes at noon on November 24th
- **Eligibility:** Open to anyone. This is a DMARC Food Pantry. Turkey not available if individual utilizes another DMARC food pantry in the same month.
- **Other:** Bring a form of identification for all family members served. Photo identification needed for anyone aged 18 and older in the household. Step into booth to check-in. Speak over intercom, volunteer pushes cart with food outside.

Waukee Area Christian Services

(515) 987-5523

Westview Church (lower level)

1155 SE Boone Drive

Waukee, IA 50263

- **Share Your Feast Thanksgiving:** Food box with ingredients for a Thanksgiving meal. Sign-up online at [WaukeeChristianServices.org/seasonal-programs/](https://www.waukeechristianservices.org/seasonal-programs/)
- **Availability:** Sign-up online by November 11th.
- **Eligibility:** Qualified residents within Waukee School District. To be qualified proof of residency and identification for each member of the home must be brought to Waukee Christian Services during food pantry hours, after online application is completed. Individuals who have received services within the last three months may already be qualified. Once approved, individuals receive email confirmation with pick up instructions
- **Other:** Cannot apply if receiving holiday services from any other organization.

West Des Moines Human Services

(515) 222-3660

139 6th Street

West Des Moines, IA 50265

- **November Grocery Card:** Gift card in \$25 increments. Gift cards will be mailed.
- **Availability:** Must register before Nov 11th online: <https://www.wdm.iowa.gov/government/human-services/programs-services/holiday-assistance>
- **Eligibility:** Residents of West Des Moines. Income guidelines are 200% Federal Poverty Level.
- **Other:** Provide a form of identification for all household members, proof of address, and proof of income when registering, if you have not received recent services from WDM Human Services.

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- **Holiday Meat:** Additional meat with DMARC or the emergency food package. Available on a first come, first served basis while supplies last. No appointment needed.
- **Availability:** December 1st – 22nd during regular pantry times. Monday – Friday 10:00 am – 5:00 pm
- **Eligibility:** Available to individuals who received services from the Bidwell Food Pantry in October or November 2021. Only one Thanksgiving Meat Package per household.

Dallas County Sheriff's Benevolent Association

(515) 993-4771
201 Nile Kinnick Drive North
Adel, IA 50003

- **Food Basket:** Delivered boxes filled with meat, canned food, bread, milk, eggs, potatoes, gift certificates donated by local restaurants and businesses, sweets for the children, toys and various other foods and sundries. Nominate a family online at <https://www.dallascountyiowa.gov/government/public-safety/sheriff/benevolent-association/shop-with-a-cop-food-basket-program>
- **Availability:** Sign-up online by December 13th. The list may fill up and close before the deadline.
- **Eligibility:** Dallas County residents experiencing financial hardship.
- **Other:** Limited number of applicants can be chosen.

Single Parent Provision

(515) 868-9252
www.singleparentprovision.org
spp@singleparentprovision.org

- **Single Moms Christmas Dinner:** Catered meal and programming for single mothers and their children. Activities and programming provided for youth aged 0-18. A pick-up option will be provided for those who'd prefer not to gather. Event will be held at Community Choice Credit Union Convention Center at the Iowa Events Center in downtown Des Moines.
- **Availability:** Event held Saturday, December 11th
- **Eligibility:** Open to single mothers in central Iowa.
- **Other:** Tickets are \$15 for mothers and \$25 for a mother and her children. Scholarships available, contact smcdscholarship@singleparentprovision.org. Online registration required. Sign-up closes December 3rd. Those registered by November 3rd will be entered to win a gift card.

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- **The Gift of Food:** Food box and personal care items. Gifts available for children as well.
www.WaukeeChristianServices.org/seasonal-programs/
- **Availability:** Sign-up online by December 2nd
- **Eligibility:** Qualified residents within Waukee School District. To be qualified proof of residency and identification for each member of the home must be brought to Waukee Christian Services during food pantry hours, after online application is completed. Individuals who have received services within the last three months may already be qualified. Once approved, individuals receive email confirmation with pick up instructions.
- **Other:** Cannot apply if receiving holiday services from any other organization.

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- **December Grocery Card:** Gift card in \$25 increments. Gift cards will be mailed.
- **Availability:** Must register before December 9th online at:
<https://www.wdm.iowa.gov/government/human-services/programs-services/holiday-assistance>
- **Eligibility:** Residents of West Des Moines. Income guidelines are 200% Federal Poverty Level. Available to households not signing up for Adopt-A-Family or Giftland.
- **Other:** Provide a form of identification for all household members, proof of address, and proof of income when registering, if you have not received recent services from WDM Human Services.

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- **Toy Pantry:** Parent/Guardian may choose 1 toy for each child signed-up. Must pre-register.
- **Availability:** Sign-up starts December 1st at the Bidwell Food Pantry during normal pantry hours, Monday - Friday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm. Choose a time to shop the Toy Pantry upon signing up.
- **Eligibility:** Families with children ages 18 and younger. No income or area restrictions. Must have received a meal package from Bidwell in November or December 2021.
- **Other:** Bring photo identification for the adult who picks up toys. Toys will be available on a first come, first served basis. Families can utilize the Toy Pantry as well as Toys for Tots.

Dallas County Sheriff's Benevolent Association

(515) 993-4771
201 Nile Kinnick Drive North
Adel, IA 50003

- **Shop With a Cop:** Positive interaction with an officer for at risk or low-income children. Nominate a family online at <https://www.dallascountyiowa.gov/government/public-safety/sheriff/benevolent-association/shop-with-a-cop-food-basket-program>
- **Availability:** Sign-up online by November 25th. The list may fill up and close before the deadline.
- **Eligibility:** Dallas County residents, children ages 6-12, experiencing financial hardship.
- **Other:** Limited number of applicants can be chosen.

New Opportunities Dallas County Family Development Center

(515) 465-5185
1212 Second Street
Perry, IA 50220

- **Adopt-a-Family:** Applications are sent out to school counselors, Head Start Programs, or can be picked up in the Dallas County Office.
- **Availability:** Applications accepted Monday – Friday 9:00 am – 3:00 pm until November 12th.
- **Eligibility:** Dallas County residents with children aged 14 years and younger whose income is at or below 200% Federal Poverty Level. Parents must have primary custody of the children. West Des Moines residents should see WDM Community Services, Waukee residents should see Waukee Area Christian Services.
- **Other:** Families must complete an intake form and provide identification for all members of household, proof of address, proof of income for last 30 days or annual income amount.

Salvation Army

(515) 282-3599
www.saangeltree.org

- **Angel Tree:** Food and toys for children. Pick-up determined upon sign-up.
- **Availability:** Sign-up by November 13th online at www.saangeltree.org. Sign-up may close early if capacity is met.
- **Eligibility:** families with children ages 12 and younger.
- **Other:** ID and proof of income required at time of pick-up.

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- **Family Gift Mart:** The Family Gift Market is a free event for single parents and their children to shop for one another at Christmas! The team of volunteers help children select, wrap, and label a gift for their registered parent, while parents shop in an adjacent room selecting a gift for each one of their children.
- **Availability:** Saturday, December 18th
- **Eligibility:** Open to single parents in central Iowa.
- **Other:** Registration is required. Limited number of spaces available. Link will be posted on website.

Urbandale Community Action Network (UCAN)

(515) 278-3936

info@urbandalenetWORK.org

- **Holiday Helping Hands:** Connects families in need with community partners & sponsors. Clothing, household items, gifts for children.
- **Availability:** Sign-up online by November 15th. Sign-up may close early if capacity is met.
- **Eligibility:** Income eligible residents of Urbandale or Urbandale School District. Income guidelines listed on UCAN website.
- **Other:** Every family must complete a new client application form as well as a holiday application form. Bring a form of identification for all household members, proof of address, and proof of income. Cannot apply if receiving services from another holiday assistance program, except Toys for Tots.

US Marine Toys for Tots

- **Toys for Tots:** Listing of locations which offer Toys for Tots sign-up. <https://des-moines-ia.toysfortots.org>
- **Availability:** Sign-up periods vary by location.
- **Eligibility:** Varies by location

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Waukee, IA 50263

- **Christmas Gifts for Kids:** Gifts for children available with sign-up for the Gift of Food box program.
- **Availability:** Sign-up online by December 2nd
- **Eligibility:** Qualified residents within Waukee School District. To be qualified proof of residency and identification for each member of the home must be brought to Waukee Christian Services during food pantry hours, after online application is completed. Individuals who have received services within the last three months may already be qualified. Once approved, individuals receive email confirmation with pick up instructions.
- **Other:** Cannot apply if receiving holiday services from any other organization, including Toys for Tots.

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<https://www.wdm.iowa.gov/government/human-services/programs-services/holiday-assistance>
- **Eligibility:** Residents of West Des Moines with children ages 18 and younger. Income guidelines are 200% Federal Poverty Level.
- **Other:** Provide a form of identification for all household members, proof of address, and proof of income when registering, if you have not received recent services from West Des Moines Human Services.

Other Winter Assistance

Ankeny Community Engagement Project Fresh Start

(515) 491-2049

Prairie Ridge Middle School
1010 NW Prairie Ridge Drive
Ankeny, IA 50023

- **Winter Clothing Drive Giveaway:** Project Fresh Start, supported by Ankeny Community Engagement, is an Ankeny-based volunteer program. Project Fresh Start coordinated donations of winter clothing. The giveaway provides coats, hats, mittens, and snow pants to Ankeny students.
- **Availability:** Saturday, November 13th 11:00 am – 2:00 pm & Sunday, November 14th 11:00 am – 1:00 pm
- **Eligibility:** Ankeny Community School District students only (Ankeny Christian Academy and St. Luke's included). Also available to Ankeny homeschool students.

Polk County Veteran Affairs

(515) 286-3670

Polk County River Place
2309 Euclid Avenue
Des Moines, IA 50310

- **Winter Coat Drive Giveaway:** Giveaway takes place in rooms 3 & 3A of the Polk County River Place building.
- **Availability:** Friday, November 12th
- **Eligibility:** 9:00 am – 12:00 noon Veterans and their families only; 1:00 – 3:00 pm open to the public.
- **Other:** Photo ID of Veterans Status required during Veterans hours.

West Des Moines Human Services

(515) 222-3660

139 6th Street
West Des Moines, IA 50265

- **Winter Coat Giveaway:** Free new and gently used coats for children and adults. Distribution takes place at West Des Moines Human Services.
- **Availability:** October 13th & 14th 1:00 – 7:00 pm; October 15th 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
- **Eligibility:** Income eligible residents of West Des Moines, Clive, Windsor Heights.
- **Other:** Appointments can be made by contacting HumanServices@wdm.iowa.gov or calling 515-222-3660. Limited walk-ins available.

Other Winter Assistance

IMPACT Community Action Partnership

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| Website: | All services are available | Mailing address: |
| impactcap.org | over the phone: | Attn: Energy Team |
| Closed to walk-ins | (515) 518-4770 | 3226 University Avenue Des Moines, IA 50311 |

- **LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program):** A program designed to aid low-income families in the payment of a portion of their heating costs for the winter season, to promote energy awareness and to encourage a reduction of energy usage through energy efficiency and client education. Payments are based on family income, demographic factors, and fuel type.
 - **Availability:** Applications begin October 1, 2021 for those over age 60, or who are disabled. All other people can apply from November 1, 2021 until April 30, 2022. Those with a disconnection notice may apply for crisis funding.
 - **Eligibility:** Residents of Boone, Jasper, Marion, Polk and Warren counties with income less than 200% Federal Poverty Level. If over 200% Federal Poverty Level and have medical expenses you may still qualify for LIHEAP.
 - **Other:** Applications are taken over the phone and by mail. English and Spanish applications available on the IMPACT website. Provide proof of social security numbers for all household members, proof of income over the last 30 days, and copies of recent utility bills. Available to homeowners and renters. LIHEAP applications are also submitted to the Weatherization Program.
- **LIHWAP (Low Income Household Water Assistance Program):** A program designed to aid low-income families in the payment of a portion of their household water and wastewater bills. Payments are based on family income, demographic factors, and need.
 - **Availability:** Applications begin October 8, 2021, and continue until September 30, 2023 or until funds are exhausted. Applications are accepted year-round.
 - **Eligibility:** Residents of Boone, Jasper, Marion, Polk and Warren counties with income less than 200% Federal Poverty Level. A past due notice or disconnect notice is needed. If already approved for LIHEAP they are qualified for the program and need to schedule to complete the application.
 - **Other:** Applications are taken over the phone and by mail. English and Spanish applications available on the IMPACT website. Provide proof of social security numbers for all household members, proof of income over the last 30 days, and copies of recent utility bills. Available to homeowners and renters.
- **Weatherization Program:** Services provided in partnership with Polk County Public Works. Helps to tighten and insulate homes against the elements and to assure the safety of appliances by providing health and safety checks, appliance replacement, home insulation, minor repairs, and client education.
 - **Availability:** Applications accepted year-round.
Eligibility: Income guidelines are at 200% Federal Poverty Level. Households eligible for LIHEAP are automatically put on a waiting list for this program. Households can exclusively apply for this program.

| 2021 FEDERAL POVERTY GUIDELINES (FPL) | 100% FPL | 175% FPL | 200% FPL |
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| PERSONS IN FAMILY/HOUSEHOLD | | | |
| 1 | \$12,880 | \$22,540 | \$25,760 |
| 2 | \$17,420 | \$30,485 | \$34,840 |
| 3 | \$21,960 | \$38,430 | \$43,920 |
| 4 | \$26,500 | \$46,375 | \$53,000 |
| 5 | \$31,040 | \$54,320 | \$62,080 |
| 6 | \$35,580 | \$62,265 | \$71,160 |
| 7 | \$40,120 | \$70,210 | \$80,240 |
| 8 | \$44,660 | \$78,155 | \$89,320 |
| For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$4,540 /each additional person to 100% FPL guidelines | | | |