Since 1988, AFAC has provided Arlington County residents dignified access to nutritious, supplemental groceries. Arlington County’s high cost of living coupled with the tough economic conditions mean that many families struggle to make ends meet. AFAC makes sure families don’t have to sacrifice food to make their budget.

AFAC is a Charity Navigator 4 star charity. AFAC is named “one of the best small charities in the Washington, D.C. region” by the Catalogue for Philanthropy.

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VOLUNTEER

Each year, volunteers provide more than 25,000 hours of help to AFAC. To volunteer, visit the Volunteer section on our website and complete a Volunteer Profile Form.

Hold a Food Drive: This is a great opportunity for individuals, families, businesses, schools and others to get involved in the essential work of AFAC throughout the year. We’ll provide posters and boxes; sign-up on our website.

Drop-in Chicken Bagging: Held every Wednesday (except the 5th Wed. of the month), starting at 6:30pm. Volunteers rebag leg quarters for our clients.

Weekend Bagging: Volunteer to do a variety of tasks, including bagging produce and dry goods, cleaning, and sorting food donations.

Glean: Pick fresh vegetables and fruit at local farms and orchards.

Family Bagging: 2nd Monday of each month at 6:30pm. Registration required.

Teenagers (14 & older): Join the Summer Teens Program, hold food drives throughout the year and attend bagging nights. Our website has a full page of ideas for teen volunteers.

Drivers: Pick up food donations at area stores, food drives and farmer’s markets.

Distribution volunteers: Help set-up, work the sign-in desk and serve as shoppers’ helpers.

DONATE FOOD OR FUNDS

We need your help to ensure no Arlington family goes hungry. Your gifts provide food to our neighbors in need.

Donate Online: Make a one-time gift, a recurring gift, a gift in honor of a friend, or in memory of a loved one — with no account registration and easy email receipting.

Make a Pledge: We will book your pledge, send you reminders according to your selected giving calendar, and make sure you’re on track to meet your giving goal!

Planned Giving: Carry our mission into the future by making a planned gift! Our knowledgeable staff can help you leave a legacy that will ensure AFAC is feeding our neighbors for years to come.

Give Stocks or Other Securities: AFAC’s financial advisers can walk you through the process of donating stocks or securities to help us feed our neighbors in need.

Employer Matching Gifts and Employee Payroll Deductions: AFAC can set up an employee giving program, an employer matching gift program, and automatic donations through payroll deductions. Let’s join forces to combat hunger in our community!

Virtual Food Drive: Shop our Virtual Food Drive page and help us buy food for the families in our care! Visit our online shopping portal at www.afac.org/virtual/.

PLOT AGAINST HUNGER

Plant an extra row of vegetables in your garden.
Plant vegetable seedlings for us to give to clients.
Donate surplus harvests to AFAC.
Help start or maintain a school or community garden.

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

Young Professionals is a group of 21-40 year olds in Arlington who raise awareness about hunger in our community and support AFAC’s mission through volunteering and social events.

AFAC QUICK FACTS

- Annually, volunteers donate more than 25,000 hours to help AFAC.
- Last year, we distributed more than 2.5 million pounds of food — bread, meats, produce, canned goods, milk, eggs, baked goods and cereal — directly to Arlington families.
- 65% of the food AFAC distributes is donated.
- Last year’s overhead was 12.5%.
- We purchase food from local wholesalers to ensure we get the best price.