

# CFC CONNECTIONS

## Community Food Connection Newsletter

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### Recent Activity & News

Welcome to this issue of CFC Connections, your electronic newsletter about Community Food Connection of Blount County. Please contact any of our Board of Directors if you have questions or ideas for articles in future editions.



### Food Drives



**THANK YOU !!!** Thanks to all who volunteered at the Maryville Food City food drive April 10-12. Despite the cool and sometimes crazy weather, we persevered. Through your efforts and the generosity of our neighbors, our food drive managed to collect over 7500 lbs. of food and over \$3200!



Cub Scout Pack 285 had a successful "Scouting for Food" drive in January. 18 scouts from kindergarten Lions to 5th grade Arrow of Light Scouts collected and donated 40 pounds of food and \$300. Thank you Pack 285!

In February, Montgomery Ridge Intermediate School held a food drive as its annual service project. They collected over 6,000 pounds of food, including the 7th grade "Tower of Peas-ah." Teacher Chase White said "The kids got really excited about the project. It was a great way to give them an opportunity to help the community."



*Where do we get produce, which is a favorite of our clients? We purchase some from Second Harvest, we "rescue" some from local stores, and during the growing season, we get donations from local farms. Our volunteers sort through and dispose of spoiled or damaged items that are donated to local farmers.*



### Store Hours

Monday 10 AM -12 PM

Wednesday 10 AM - 2 PM

Thursday 5 PM - 7 PM

Saturday 10 AM -12 PM

3rd Saturday 2 PM - 4 PM

# Thank You Volunteers

We are truly blessed to have many groups and individuals who volunteer their time and energy to support our ministry. There are still days and times when we can use more volunteers, especially drivers to pick up rescue food. Interested individuals can register to volunteer by contacting **cfc.volunteer.coord@cfcblount.com**

## Volunteers of the Quarter

Recognizing outstanding volunteer service



**Q3, 2024** Maurice Bathon, Allen Davis & Van Johnson  
aka “The Breadmen”



**Q4, 2024** Brenda Lane, Shannon Scott, Deb & Ken  
Cline – sorting, shelving and so much more.



**Q1, 2025** Long-time volunteer Don Gross (always smiling) and CFC Volunteer Coordinator Jamie Bate were recognized as Volunteers of the Quarter. Congratulations!

Check out our new and improved website at <http://cfcblount.com>.  
Some new features include:  
News & update section  
Meet the board members  
Downloadable forms  
Easier ways to donate, and even FAQs!

## Stay Connected

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## Waiting for the doors to open!



## Thank You Donors

We could not continue serving area residents in need without the support of individuals, churches and businesses. Your generous donations are used to buy food and pay other necessary expenses.

**Please consider making a charitable donation to CFC through our website or by mail to P.O. Box 786, Alcoa, TN 37701**

## Upcoming Events

Our next food drive will be August 7-9 at the Alcoa Food City on Tesla Boulevard.

We will need volunteers at the store to welcome shoppers and distribute grocery shopping lists, drivers to bring food to CFC, and others to sort and shelve the food.

More information about future food drives and how to sign-up will be emailed 2-3 weeks before the drive. Information will also be on our Facebook page and website.