



PASR's mission statement, "To serve others in need and help one another enjoy retirement," remains at the heart of our organization as our members continue to find ways to positively impact the lives of not only fellow retired public school employees, but also those in the communities in which they live.

With food insecurity growing within Pennsylvania, where now more than 1.5 million individuals (or 1 in every 8 Pennsylvanians) are at risk of going hungry, **PASR has decided to dedicate the month of February to serving the needs of the hungry in our state by partnering with Feeding Pennsylvania. Feeding Pennsylvania** supports <u>Second Harvest of NW PA</u> which support several Venango county food banks.

With COVID-19 making it even more challenging for many people to feed their families, it has never been a more important time to donate. It is our hope that all our members who are able to support this cause will join our efforts by making a monetary donation to Feeding Pennsylvania. Feeding Pennsylvania will be setting up a special section on their website for PASR donations.

Your tax-deductible donation to Feeding Pennsylvania will help maximize the work of their nine-member food banks in providing food assistance, educating the public about hunger, and advocating for policies that support the work of hunger-relief organizations.

To donate online, please visit <u>https://feedingpa.org/support-our-mission/</u> and select "**PASR**" from the <u>**Program you'd like to support**</u> *dropdown menu.* **Donations can also be made by mailing a check made payable to "Feeding Pennsylvania" to PASR headquarters, 878 Century Drive, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055-4375**

If you want your donation to stay local consider some of the following local food pantries. Note: Some local food pantries may not be operating due to COVID-19 concerns

Community Services of Venango County – Food Pantry 814-676-5011 https://csvenango.com/programs/emergency-services/food-pantry/

Christ United Methodist Church Food Pantry 1135 Buffalo Street Franklin, PA 16323

Clintonville Food Pantry 135 Irwin Street Clintonville, PA 16372

Cranberry Food Pantry 224 South Main Street Seneca, PA 16346 *Bring proof of Cranberry School District residency

Franklin Salvation Army 737 Elk Street Franklin, PA 16323 814-432-5919

Oil City Salvation Army Food Pantry/Meals 217 Sycamore Street Oil City, PA 16301 814-677-4056

St. Elizabeth Center Food Pantry (Second Harvest of NW PA) https://www.eriercd.org/charities/stelizabethfp.html 814-677-0203 311 Emerald Street Oil City, PA 16301 *Must bring ID and proof of residence

St. John's Episcopal Church Food Pantry 1145 Buffalo Street Franklin, PA 16323 814-432-5161 *Must bring ID and proof of residence

St. Patrick's Church Food Pantry 952 Buffalo Street Franklin, PA 16323 *Must bring ID and proof of residence