

The Hungry are Banking on Us! And you answered!

Our Neighbors' Table would like to thank the twelve banks and credit unions across the lower Merrimack Valley that participated in the second annual "The Hungry Are BANKING On Us" food drive to support our food pantry throughout the month of March. Thanks to the generosity of the employees and customers at the 23 branches as well as auxiliary drives organized by the banks and their community partners, the drive collected more than 4,000 pounds of food and personal care products to be stocked in our pantry for our neighbors in need!

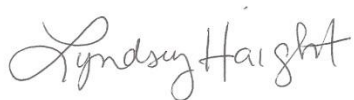
A huge thank you to Align Credit Union (Amesbury), Citizens Bank (Amesbury), Eastern Bank (Newburyport); Haverhill Bank (Merrimac), Institution for Savings (three locations in Newburyport and Salisbury); Louise E. Mills Federal Credit Union (Merrimac), Merrimac Savings Bank (Merrimac), Newburyport Five Cents Savings Bank (Amesbury, Newburyport, Newbury and Salisbury), The Provident Bank (Amesbury and Newburyport); RTN Federal Credit Union (Amesbury); St. Jean's Credit Union (Newburyport) and TD Bank (Amesbury and Newburyport).

Thank you to Heather Hull-Colby (Louise E. Mills Federal Credit Union) who went above and beyond the call of duty to engage businesses throughout the region to participate along with the banks. Thanks to Coastal Connections, Whittier Vocational Technical High School, Stop & Shop in Amesbury, and Market Basket in Newburyport and Haverhill – for giving this drive that extra boost!

Drives like this happen only as a result of a community wide effort. Thank you to Our Neighbors' Table's Food Drive Committee who planned this event, particularly Amanda Kelcourse (Align Credit Union), Michelle Mahair (Institution for Savings), Anne Gagne (The Provident Bank) and Andrea Bailey. Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped us collect at the supermarkets, pick up food, and weigh and sort all of these donations to get them ready to give out to our guests.

Our Neighbors' Table offers food programs to 12 area cities and towns. We could not keep our pantry shelves stocked without the support of the businesses, churches, civic organizations and individuals in our community. To all of those who donated so generously during our March drives, we thank you very much!

Sincerely,



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Our Neighbors' Table