



Greene County Public Health

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Downtown Xenia Farmers' Market to Hold Non-Perishable Food Drive for Local Little Pantries

XENIA, OH – In 2023, Greene County Public Health introduced four Little Pantries in Greene County, filled with non-perishable items, free to the public. This year, on August 20, during the Downtown Xenia Farmers' Market, public health officials will host a food drive to continue supporting the Little Pantries. The Downtown Xenia Farmers' Market is located on Greene Street, next to the Greene County Courthouse, and is held on the third Wednesday of each month, from June to September, from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM.

The Little Pantries are located in Xenia, Jamestown, and Fairborn. The public is encouraged to bring non-perishable food items to donate, including:

- Canned vegetables
- Canned fruit
- Instant potatoes
- Add water mixes
- Juice, tea, coffee
- Canned protein (tuna, sardines, chicken, ham)
- Rice and beans
- Baking needs
- Sauces and spices
- Nuts
- Beef jerky

Other donated item suggestions include:

- Cat/dog food and treats
- Cat litter
- Baby food
- Diapers, wipes, etc.
- Hygiene items (such as toothbrushes, feminine hygiene products, etc.)
- Home supplies (garbage bags, plasticware, etc.)

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The public is asked NOT to leave the following items in the Little Pantries:

- Open or used items
- Homemade foods
- Expired, rusty, unlabeled foods
- Medications
- Sharp supplies
- Alcohol
- Fresh produce/meat
- Temperature-sensitive items

For more information about Greene County Public Health and the Downtown Xenia Farmers' Market, please visit our website at www.greenecophoh.gov, call us at 937-374-5600, or email ambassador@greenecophoh.gov.

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