

Branford Food Resources

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For information about SNAP, WIC and other state- and federally-funded assistance programs, please contact your town's office of Social Services or call W&FLC to speak to a Referral Navigator.

Name: Branford Early Learning Center (BELC) "Free Store"	
Physical address: 16 Birch Road, Branford	
Who:	All Branford families.
What:	"Leave and take" in front of pre-school. Food, clothing, diapers and more; new and used items.
When/where:	All Branford families of children of all ages are welcome to stop by to take what they need and leave what they want to share with other families.
Phone:	(203) 488-4512; Diane Pappacoda, BELC Director.
Website:	http://www.shorelinetimes.com/news/branford-s-early-learning-center-s-free-store-helps-keep-families-clothed-fed-safe/article_c6d69c6d-de9d-59d4-9125-31e12e774d5d.html?fbclid=IwAR3XlV3mP8I0I_qqb46elrt1nzdXY-Ach4F3WwB_A5QwCqqY0QG_8ThioD8

Name: Branford Food Pantry (BFP)	
Physical address: 30 Harrison Avenue, Branford	
Who:	All Branford residents with financial need. Simple registration form.
What:	Registered families pick up groceries once weekly. All grocery pickup is done on a no-contact basis and bags are provided.
When/where:	Pick up times are Tuesdays 8:30-11:00 am; or Fridays 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. 30 Harrison Avenue, Branford (same building as CDR and BHcare Clothing Bank).
More info:	<i>Anyone who is not already a regular food pantry client, but in need of emergency food, can call the Food Pantry Emergency Grocery Deliveries hotline: (203) 315-8251 or email branfordfoodpantry30@gmail.com for information about signing up.</i>
Phone:	(203) 481-3663
Facebook:	https://www.facebook.com/Branford-Food-Pantry-Inc-557504234411091/
Website:	http://www.branfordfoodpantry.org/

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Name: Branford Public Schools	
Who:	Open to all Branford families with children 18 and under.
What:	Free 'grab and go" meals including breakfast and hot lunch, Monday – Friday. Weekend meals are also available on Friday in the form of bagged breakfasts and lunches for Saturday and Sunday. Be sure to take reusable bags with you to pick up the meals.
When/where:	10:30am - 1:00pm at Branford High School, 185 East Main Street
Website:	https://www.branford.k12.ct.us/

Name: Community Dining Room	
Physical address: 30 Harrison Avenue, Branford, CT	
Who:	All Shoreline Residents, including North Haven. All ages, no proof of income needed.
What:	Free carry-out meals and a home delivery program
When/where:	30 Harrison Avenue, Branford at the following times: Sunday-Friday: 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM Saturday: 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM Tuesday Kid's Night Meal: 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM Wednesday & Friday Take-Out dinner: Pick up 1:00-3:00 pm
How:	No proof of income required. Please call ahead for dinners or delivery program: (203) 488-9750
Phone:	(203) 488-9750
E-mail:	info@communitydiningroom.org
Facebook:	https://www.facebook.com/CommunityDiningRoom06405/
Website:	https://communitydiningroom.org/about/

Name: The CT Food Bank Mobile Pantry, a program of the Connecticut Food Bank	
Physical address: CT Food Bank head office is at 2 Research Parkway, Wallingford, CT.	
Who:	CT Residents. Residents from any town may go to any mobile food pantry in any town.
What:	Pre-packed food
When/where:	Various days/locations.
How:	No proof of income required. Just stop by to pick-up food.
More info:	The distribution is a drive through pickup system, and participants will need to be able to get groceries into their own vehicles without assistance for everyone's safety. If that is not possible, the pantry directors request that clients send someone on their behalf or bring a household member for assistance. For special accommodations or questions, please call at (860) 669-7347
Phone:	(203) 741-9751
E-mail:	cfb@ctfoodbank.org
Facebook:	https://www.facebook.com/CTFoodBank/
Website:	http://www.ctfoodbank.org/get-help/connecticut-food-banks-mobile-pantry-schedule/

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Name: Feed Branford Kids	
Who:	All Branford children ages 1-18.
What:	“Pick up” Meals for children ages 1-18.
When/where:	Mondays 3:00-5:00 PM at Trinity Episcopal Church on the Branford Green, and Thursdays 5:00-7:00 PM at the Feed Branford Kids Warehouse, 21 Business Park Drive, Branford.
How:	No proof of income required. Just stop by to pick-up food.
Facebook:	https://www.facebook.com/feedbranfordkids/
Website:	http://feedbranfordkids.org/

Name: Operation Compassion Partnership of Soundview Family YMCA, Ben Callahan Sports & Fitness Complex, Bishop’s Orchard and the Marketplace of Guilford.	
Who:	East Haven, Branford, North Branford, Guilford and Madison seniors, first responders and medical professionals
What:	Free delivery of groceries from Bishop’s Orchards or the Marketplace (Guilford stores).
When/where:	Deliveries made on Tuesdays or Thursdays. You will receive a call when our volunteer arrives. Groceries left near your front door with receipt for your purchase stapled to bag. Home delivery of orders you place with the stores.
How:	Grocery order forms are available on-line: Bishops: https://cccymca.org/wp-content/uploads/Bishops-Order-Form-2.pdf Marketplace: https://cccymca.org/wp-content/uploads/TheMarketplace-Y-BC2-OrderForm-Fillable.pdf Once you have completed the order, you: *email the completed forms to soundviewinfo@cccymca.org or *call the Y: (203) 481-9622 Mon/Wed/Fri 9:00am-noon (leave a message if necessary).
Website:	https://cccymca.org/blog/2020/04/13/operation-compassion/

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