

TO: VICTORIA GARDENS RESIDENTS – PLEASE READ!

THIS MESSAGE IS GOING OUT TO THE ENTIRE VICTORIA GARDENS COMMUNITY! JUNE 27 – FREE DOCUMENT SHREDDING EVENT AND FOOD DRIVE.

In conjunction with the Free Document Shred Event, the next VGWC sponsored outreach event will be a food drive on behalf of the Neighborhood Center in Deland. I have made arrangements with Waylan Niece, Director of Operations, for drop off of pantry items even though the Center is not open to the public for anything except drive through for food pick-up.

The Food Drive will be Saturday June 27 from 9:00 AM – noon in the clubhouse parking lot. So here is what to do NOW:

1. Tell everyone you know, then tell them again.
2. Get your hands on empty boxes to pack collected food, no need for tops etc.
3. Shop for CANNED food – meats, veggies, fruits, nuts.
4. Shop for FOOD IN GLASS, PLASTIC, CARDBOARD – pasta sauce, veggies, fruits, nuts, boxed milk of any kind, pasta, rice, prepared meals (M&C, Hamburger Helper, Skillet Meals) NO CEREALS PLEASE!
5. Order online – some folks last time just ordered cases of peanut butter, veggies, pasta etc. to fill a shelf at the Center, which was wonderful.

If you would like to shop or donate for Family Renew (Community we support for homeless families) as well, they need now and always:

1. Towels, twin sheets
2. Cleaning supplies
3. Diapers, size 3,4,5,6
4. Baby wipes
5. Hygiene items, shampoo, toothpaste, soaps, etc.
6. Larger items, such as couches, small dining sets, microwave ovens, dressers etc. (we will make arrangements to pick up these items from you)

Always, if you know anyone who is food challenged RIGHT HERE in the Gardens, let me know and we will prepare a special delivery for them.

Please be generous, everyone. Life is still a challenge every day for more of us than ever.

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