

# Food Sharing Program

Food sharing is all about recovering food that would otherwise be wasted and redirecting it to feed people.



## Our Program

The Airdrie Food Bank receives good quality food and other items from grocery stores, food distribution centers, butchers, drug stores, coffee shops, bakeries and restaurants.

These items may be slightly past their best before date (such as 'day old' bread) or the packaging is a little damaged or imperfect. These items are absolutely fine, providing nutritious food options to those in need and keeping good food out of the landfill.

## Local Support

We are grateful to receive regular donations from local establishments including fresh fruits and vegetables, meats, eggs, milk, bread, pizzas, desserts, toiletries and other food products.

## How It Works

Volunteers provide on-going daily and weekly pickups of food items as well as the occasional one-off pickups, as the need arises. Food is sorted, stored and then used in our food hampers or given out in our drop in program.

## It All Adds Up!

Total food received in 2016: **502,305 lbs**

- **279,659 lbs** from our community (in store bins, food drives and at our location)
- **222,646 lbs** from businesses (stores, restaurants, coffee shops, bakeries, etc.)

**To find out more** about our food sharing program or how to partner with us in this initiative, please contact Lori McRitchie at (403) 948-0063.

