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OZARKS FOOD HARVEST - THE FOOD BANK | NEWSLETTER FROM THE O'REILLY CENTER FOR HUNGER RELIEF

PANTRIES GIVE HOPE, HELP TO FAMILIES

Hard-working families access food assistance to make ends meet

Natalie and Ricky work hard to provide for themselves and their nine-month-old daughter. But sometimes there isn't enough money to ensure there's something to eat.

"I work two jobs, she's a stay at home mom," said Ricky. "With all the other expenses we have ... a little help is needed. By the time I pay the rent and utilities and car insurance, we come up short on food often."

Natalie and Ricky are able to get the food assistance they need at Crosslines, an Ozarks Food Harvest member pantry in Springfield.

"By the time I pay the rent and utilities and car insurance, we come up short on food often."

-Ricky, food pantry client

"It is extremely beneficial for everyone to have food on the table, and it helps a lot having the pantry to help us out with that. It lets me not stress out as much as I normally would," Natalie said.

They shared that without the pantry, they wouldn't have enough nutritious food to provide for their daughter, Farrah.

"We could make it on what I bring home, but produce is really expensive in the grocery and so having that available helps us stay healthier and stronger and keeps us going," Ricky said. "It is more sustainable than what's cheap."

Natalie said her daughter Farrah enjoys eating apples, lettuce and other produce that's distributed at the pantry.

Over the past three years, Ozarks Food Harvest has made great strides to increase food access for families who are working hard, but need extra help to make ends meet. Food access across the 28 southwest Missouri counties served by The Food Bank has increased by 44 percent.

With another record-breaking fiscal year, Ozarks Food Harvest is now serving more than 14.6 million meals every year to more than 261,000 people.

Eight counties in The Food Bank's service area – Barton, Douglas, Greene, Hickory, Jasper, Newton, Oregon and Texas – saw at least a 50 percent increase in meals distributed since fiscal year 2013. For Greene County, which has the largest number of food insecure people in the Ozarks, the increase was 68 percent.

And Lawrence, Shannon, Vernon and Wright counties saw an over 100 percent rise in distribution.

These increases are a direct result of the implementation of Ozarks Food Harvest's strategic plan that emphasizes collaboration with the communities served.

For Natalie and Ricky, better access to food means their family will have more nutritious meals, and even more than that, Natalie said, "It gives us hope, definitely. It makes us feel like we actually belong in society. We're extremely thankful."

Ricky said it's inspiring to see how much this community cares about those who are struggling. He said, "When people help out like this and donate food and diapers and

such items to people who are struggling, it helps us to be able to get through the day and give back what we can. It's what makes a community work."

Visit ozarksfoodharvest.org to watch Natalie and Ricky share their story in Ozarks Food Harvest's video series, Focus on Hunger. And visit the donate page to see

how your gift can help families just like this all across the Ozarks have something to eat. ■





KEVIN HOWARD AND LIZ DELANY OF 105.9 KGBX SHARE WITH LISTENERS DURING HUNGERTHON HOW THE WEEKEND BACKPACK PROGRAM HELPS LOCAL STUDENTS WHO STRUGGLE WITH HUNGER.

RECORD HUNGERTHON RAISES \$140K FOR KIDS

Funds sponsor 468 kids in the Weekend Backpack Program

Ozarks Food Harvest and iHeartMedia's 18th annual radio-thon, Hungerthon, collected a record-breaking \$140,447 for the *Weekend Backpack Program*. The initiative provides 1,668 food insecure children with nutritious food to take home over the weekends, when school meals aren't available and many kids go hungry.

Kevin Howard and Liz Delany from 105.9 KGBX spent four days hosting Hungerthon this September. This year's goal of \$125,000 was exceeded, raising \$140,447 to provide 468 at-risk children in the Ozarks with six child-friendly meals each weekend of the school year through the *Weekend Backpack Program*.

"It's a great day when we have a record-breaking year for feeding hungry kids. This year's Hungerthon has been just incredible," said Bart Brown, Ozarks Food Harvest's president/CEO. "Thanks so much to the generous listeners of KGBX."

Backpacks were matched by community businesses and foundations including Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc., Coldwell Bankers, Vanguard Relators, CoxHealth, Feeding Missouri, Harter House,



ROBYN FONDREN FROM DELAWARE ELEMENTARY SHARES HOW THE PROGRAM HELPS STUDENTS.

Heart of America Beverage Co., Hiland Dairy Foods, MassMutual, The Musgrave Foundation, Peck's Insurance & Financial Services, Properties of Distinction, Inc., Taylor Communications and Yahweh's Place at Cedarville.

Sixty southwest Missouri schools participate in the *Weekend Backpack Program*, which distributes nearly 60,000 backpacks annually. Those bags include meals for two breakfasts, two lunches, two dinners, two snacks and drinks. Since 1999, the community has donated \$1.67 million through Hungerthon.

Those who want to support the program can donate online at ozarksfoodharvest.org. ■

EMPTY BOWLS SETS RECORD

Artists and community members came together this September for the most successful Empty Bowls yet. The third annual fundraiser held at Panera Bread raised \$7,440, selling all 220 handcrafted bowls donated by nearly 60 local artists.

The empty bowls are symbolic of the one in six adults and one in four children who struggle with hunger in the Ozarks.

"Thanks to all the artists who donated bowls and community members who made donations to take them home, and special thanks to Panera for hosting the event for a third year," said Denise Gibson, director of development and communication at Ozarks Food Harvest. "This grassroots fundraiser has made such a difference for people in need."

Event-goers made donations to receive a handcrafted bowl and a meal of soup and bread, courtesy of Panera.

The bowls donated by local artists were made from 21 varieties of wood, hand-thrown pottery and even marble and gourd.

Since 2014, Empty Bowls has collected over \$14,000 in donations, providing over 70,000 meals through Ozarks Food Harvest's feeding programs.

Empty Bowls was the final major event of Hunger Action Month, a month-long awareness campaign held every September when Ozarks Food Harvest encourages community members to take a stand against hunger.

"This year's Hunger Action Month was our most successful yet. We set record fundraising totals with all our major events, and engaged more people than ever in our mission," said Gibson. "We can't wait for next year." ■



NEARLY 60 ARTISTS DONATED HANDCRAFTED BOWLS FOR THE THIRD ANNUAL EMPTY BOWLS EVENT AT PANERA BREAD.

FEEDING CHILDREN SHOULD REMAIN PRIORITY IN CONGRESS

Greetings from the O'Reilly Center for Hunger Relief!

You may remember I wrote in last summer's Harvest Time about the need for a strong Child Nutrition Reauthorization Act to be passed by Congress.

Unfortunately, that legislation has yet to be passed more than a year later, and a new provision added by the House would hurt hungry kids.

The Senate Agriculture Committee brought to the floor its version of the bill earlier this year that affirmed continued support to government-funded feeding programs, including the Summer Food Service Program and the after-school Child and Adult



ONE IN FOUR CHILDREN IN SOUTHWEST MISSOURI IS AT RISK OF GOING TO BED HUNGRY.

Care Food Program, both part of Ozarks Food Harvest's strategy to meet the food assistance needs for kids in our community. We're hopeful the Senate will vote on this reauthorization after the November elections.

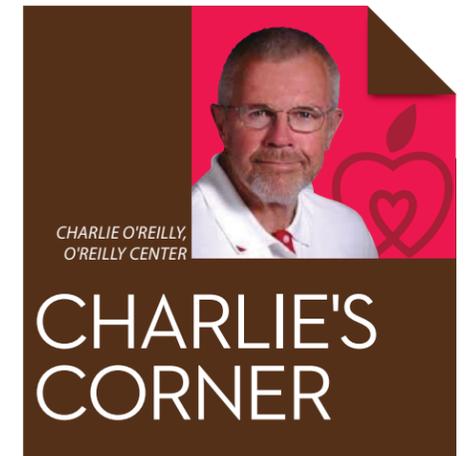
The new provision from the House, the Improving Child Nutrition and Education Act of 2016, would lessen the reach of school lunch and breakfast programs in high-poverty schools, potentially ending some food assistance in approximately 7,000 schools and blocking the addition of 11,000 schools currently eligible for increased support.

The bill would severely restrict schools' ability to apply for community eligibility, an option that under current legislation allows high-poverty schools to provide meals at no charge to all students.

Removing community eligibility would add more paperwork to schools and more verification requirements to parents to prove their need. While we support regulation of feeding programs, Ozarks Food Harvest feels these heftier regulations would make it unnecessarily difficult for parents to get help in providing their kids a simple meal.

The details of the bill are complex, but the overall impact of the House bill would harm children in need. It is Ozarks Food Harvest's belief that all children have a right to food. I'm sure many of you believe that as well, that's why you support Ozarks Food Harvest with your donations of time, food and funds.

The legislation passed through the Senate earlier this year proves that Congress can



work together, across the aisles, to find common ground when it comes to feeding kids. In my opinion, that shouldn't be hard to do. Kids deserve to have a fair chance at being successful, and that starts with a full plate.

Now it is up to the House to take the advice of hundreds of hunger-relief organizations across the country who support increased funding of child feeding programs, but do not support removing community eligibility from schools just trying to make sure their kids have something to eat so they can learn.

I would urge you, as a supporter of Ozarks Food Harvest, to contact your representatives from Congress today through the Feeding America advocacy hotline, 888-398-8702, or contact them through their websites and ask them to make hunger relief a priority; Sen. Claire McCaskill, mccaskill.senate.gov; Sen. Roy Blunt, blunt.senate.gov; and Rep. Billy Long, long.house.gov.

You can be a voice for a child in need. From me and my friends at Ozarks Food Harvest, thank you for your support. ■

UPCOMING EVENTS

CHECK OUT HUNGER IN THE OZARKS - NOV. 13 - DEC. 31

Nearly 75 area stores are partnering with Ozarks Food Harvest this holiday season to help Check Out Hunger and raise money to feed the one in six adults and one in four kids who are at risk of going hungry. This campaign gives shoppers in local communities the opportunity to add a \$1, \$3 or \$5 tax-free donation to their bill when checking out at area grocers. Since the annual fundraiser began, Check Out Hunger has raised \$418,882 — providing nearly 2.1 million meals for hungry people throughout The Food Bank's 28-county service area. ■



FOOD FIGHT - THRU OCT.

SPS students are once again battling for the Food Fight Championship! Donate nonperishable food or monetary donations to students or at participating Partners in Education locations through the end of the month. Read more on page seven. ■

TURKEY TROT - NOV. 24

Run or walk with us this year during the 22nd annual Turkey Trot, the largest Thanksgiving Day 5K in Missouri, at 8 a.m. on Nov. 24! Turkey Trot also serves as a food drive for OFH. Learn more on page six. ■

GIVING TUESDAY-NOV.29

#GivingTuesday is a special day during the holidays that focuses on coming together to help people in need. Your donation of any amount can make a real difference. Consider that a \$10 donation can provide 50 meals! ■

BART'S HOPE SNAP FILLS GAP FOR SENIORS

NOTES



BART BROWN,
PRESIDENT/CEO

Ozarks Food Harvest does more than supply food – it provides a network of hope to struggling children, families and seniors right here in our community.

Because we're committed to providing a hand up, not simply a hand out, our network of 200 hunger-relief charities provide services like nutrition education, skills classes and even promoting job fairs and helping people sign up for SNAP, all in addition to food distribution.

Here at Ozarks Food Harvest, we have two dedicated staff members working with our pantries, feeding sites and other community organizations to educate people about SNAP eligibility. SNAP stands for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, but you may know it as food stamps.

In the past year alone, Ozarks Food Harvest's outreach to low-income families has generated

nearly 620,000 meals through SNAP, and we're committed to seeing that number grow.

We believe that we work best when we work together, and that includes working with government programs that are proven to help hard-working families and seniors get back on their feet. We often meet families who struggle with under-employment – they're working but it's just not enough – and seniors who struggle to have enough food on a fixed income. That's where private charity and government programs, like SNAP, can come together to help.

Last month we teamed up with the AARP Foundation to mail 8,500 outreach letters to those we serve over the age of 50 who we thought were eligible and could benefit from SNAP. AARP funded the mailing to twelve Ozarks counties.

Nearly one third of the people we serve are over the age of 50, and 16 percent of our clients are seniors age 60 or older.

Through our research, we know that seniors who struggle with having enough food are more likely to have lower nutrient intake and a higher risk for chronic health conditions and depression. Hunger in our senior population can be more devastating when compared to hunger in younger adults.

Unfortunately, the need for emergency food assistance among seniors is expected to rise as baby boomers become older. And oftentimes, transportation barriers and physical limitations prevent low-income seniors from visiting a



SENIORS LIKE SADIE DEPEND ON HELP FROM SNAP

food pantry or senior site.

Thankfully, we have solutions like SNAP and our *Senior Food Program* that provides nearly 2,100 boxes of nutritious food each month.

We recently met Sadie when she attended a rural *Mobile Food Pantry* with her daughter. The 91-year-old shared, "I appreciate it a lot. I'm on a fixed income and it sure helps me make it through the month."

It's seniors, like Sadie, who could use an extra hand. We believe that the generation who came before us and worked so hard to provide for themselves and their families deserves our help now.

Hunger is a persistent need in our community. Here at Ozarks Food Harvest we're coming up with new ways to reach people in need all the time. As we continue to see record food distribution and SNAP applications, we can't help but be thankful for your support. None of our outreach would be possible without your gifts.

We hope we can continue to count on your generosity as we give hope to the hungry in the Ozarks. ■

ANNUAL CAMPAIGN A SUCCESS

Each fall, my team organizes Hunger Action Month, a 30-day campaign to encourage community members to take action against hunger. Although the campaign takes a lot of planning and preparation, it makes it all worth it when I see how the community comes together to help its neighbors.

Hungerthon, our largest fundraiser of the year, raised \$140,447. It was great to visit with so many long-time supporters of the event who continue to be motivated by our mission to help kids come back to school on Mondays with full stomachs.

I am so thankful for my friends Kevin Howard, Liz Delany and the entire iHeartMedia staff for putting on this event for the 18th year. Read on page two about the sponsors who helped make this event a success.

In addition to Hungerthon, we hosted Empty Bowls with Panera Bread, Iron Chef with Farmers Market of the Ozarks and Apron Fashion Show with Tea Bar & Bites Bakery and



KIDS LIKE JAYDEN BENEFIT FROM YOUR GENEROSITY.

Café. The generous partners who stand by our mission are what allows this month of events to make such a difference for those in need.

Jayden, a 10-year-old who receives food through the *Weekend Backpack Program*, said, "Thank you for the food bags. You made our day bright."

Your support made this the best Hunger Action Month yet. Because of your gifts, children like Jayden won't have to worry where their next meal is coming from. ■



DENISE GIBSON,
DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

FROM DENISE'S DESK

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Due to growth and limited space in the newsletter, all warehouse and transportation associates on the Operations team are now listed online at ozarksfoodharvest.org.

SPECIAL THANKS TO THESE FRIENDS OF THE FOOD BANK



THE BACKPACK PROGRAM PROVIDES FOOD TO 1,668 KIDS EVERY WEEKEND OF THE SCHOOL YEAR.

GENERAL MILLS GIVES TO KIDS

The General Mills Foundation awarded a \$10,000 Community Action Council grant to support the *Weekend Backpack Program* in the Joplin area. This will continue to provide more than 1,325 backpacks filled with nearly 8,000 nutrition meals to children in need during the 2016-2017 school year. With 78 percent of these students receiving free and reduced meals, this program is of utmost importance. Thanks to the General Mills Foundation for donating nearly \$123,000 to fight hunger in the past six years.

3M FOUNDATION DONATION WILL PROVIDE 25,000 MEALS

A supporter of Ozarks Food Harvest since 2003, the 3M Foundation has made a generous gift of \$5,000, the equivalent of 25,000 meals, to support hunger-relief efforts in southwest Missouri. Over the past 13 years, 3M has donated \$54,500. Heartfelt thanks to 3M for its support to feed children, families and seniors in need!



CARTER DONATED FOOD AND FUNDS TO OZARKS FOOD HARVEST IN HONOR OF HIS BIRTHDAY.

7-YEAR-OLD MAKES IMPACT

This summer, Carter asked friends to bring donations, instead of presents, to celebrate his 7th birthday. He wanted to donate to the *Weekend Backpack Program* to help kids who struggle with hunger. He gave food and made a cash donation to the program. Thanks, Carter!

PERFORMANCE FOODSERVICE DRIVE GIFTS 14,200 MEALS

Springfield-based Performance Foodservice and employees donated 3,231 pounds of food, \$2,106 and volunteer time to provide nearly 14,200 meals to people in need! Thanks to Performance Foodservice and its employees for their generosity just in time for the holiday season!



LUCAS OIL COLLECTED A RECORD AMOUNT OF FOOD DURING THIS YEAR'S NIGHT AT THE RACES.

LUCAS OIL SETS RECORD

Thanks to Lucas Oil Speedway and KOLR 10 for collecting 9,825 pounds of food donations during a summer food drive for Ozarks Food Harvest. Since 2008, this annual fundraiser with Lucas Oil has collected over 46,300 pounds of food. Event-goers were offered free admission to the races when they donated four nonperishable food items.

REESE FAMILY FOUNDATION DONATES TO OFH PROGRAMS

The Thomas H. and Bonnie L. Reese Family Foundation gave \$5,000 to Ozarks Food Harvest to assist several programs that support hunger-relief. The *Summer Food*, *After-School*, *Senior Food* and *Weekend Backpack* programs each received \$1,250! Since 2011, this foundation has given \$23,288 to those struggling with hunger.

OLIVE GARDEN GIVES TO OFH

Thanks to Olive Garden for a donation of \$2,368 to provide more than 11,800 meals for people struggling with hunger in the Ozarks! Olive Garden and the Darden Foundation announced a new partnership with Feeding America this year donating the equivalent of 5,500,000 meals nationwide to hunger relief organizations.

HUNGER HERO NEWS



VOLUNTEER & FOOD DRIVE PROGRAMS

FALL 2016

THANKSGIVING RACE HELPS THOSE IN NEED

As part of an annual Thanksgiving tradition, local racers come together to collect food for Ozarks Food Harvest and participate in Turkey Trot, the largest Thanksgiving Day 5K in Missouri.

Turkey Trot has collected more than 77,800 pounds of food for The Food Bank since 2001. That's 64,800 meals! Do your part by donating three nonperishable food items at the 5K starting at 8 a.m. on Nov. 24.

This year is the 22nd annual race, and you can help support nonprofits like OFH, Developmental Center of the Ozarks and The Park Board's scholarship fund.

1) Register to run or walk. It's \$20 through 5 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 18, or \$15 for kids 12 and under. Register at parkboard.org or download a form to mail in. On-site registration opens Wednesday, Nov. 23, 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m. at the Expo Center and continues 6:15-7 a.m. on race day. On-site registration is \$25 for adults and \$20 for children. Don't forget your food donations on race day!

2) Volunteer to help collect food at the Expo, 635 E. St. Louis St., on Thanksgiving Day. Call Jolene at OFH or go to ozarksfoodharvest.org/volunteer.

3) Donate your time the day prior to Turkey Trot at Packet Pick Up. Call the Park Board at (417) 864-1049 to help! ■



TURKEY TROT 2015 COLLECTED 7,805 LBS. OF FOOD



VOLUNTEERS WORK IN OZARKS FOOD HARVEST'S GARDEN IN ROGERSVILLE TO WEED, HARVEST AND PLANT CROPS. TWELVE ORGANIZATIONS DONATED TIME TO OFH THROUGH DAY OF CARING.

DAY OF CARING GENEROSITY PROVIDES 56,000 MEALS

Over 2,000 volunteers from businesses across the Ozarks came together to help more than 100 nonprofit agencies during this year's United Way Day of Caring.

Ozarks Food Harvest received 516 hours of service donated by 351 volunteers, providing 56,000 meals to children, families and seniors in need on Aug. 18 during the 24th annual Day of Caring.

Over 22,400 pounds of food was sorted in The Food Bank's Volunteer Center, 1,200 Senior Food boxes were assembled, more than 2,300 pounds of food and \$1,041 was collected during food drives, 237 pounds of produce was gleaned from The Food Bank's garden and community members and students wrote over 1,200 notes of encouragement to kids who receive food through the *Weekend Backpack Program*.

Heartfelt thanks to the groups that gave of their time: American National Insurance, Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc., Chase Card Services, City of Springfield, CoxHealth



VOLUNTEERS PACK SENIOR FOOD BOXES DURING DAY OF CARING. THIS IS THE 24TH YEAR FOR THE ANNUAL CAMPAIGN.

Contact Center, Greene County Juvenile Office, Greene County MU Extension Office, Mercy Administration, Penmac Staffing, Phelps Center for Gifted Education, Shelter Insurance and Young Bankers Association. ■

GIVE GIFT OF TIME DURING THE HOLIDAYS

Join Ozarks Food Harvest's mission to *Transform Hunger into Hope* with your gift of time. Individual and group volunteers are needed to sort donations, assemble *Weekend Backpacks* and build *Senior Food* boxes.

OFH's Volunteer Center hours:

Monday-Friday: 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Monday-Thursday: 1-4 p.m.

Tuesday & Thursday: 6-9 p.m.

Saturday: 9 a.m.-12 p.m. or 1-4 p.m.

Sessions must be scheduled in advance at ozarksfoodharvest.org/volunteer.

Check with your employer to see if they will allow you and colleagues to volunteer during business hours. Some employers will even match your gift of time with a monetary donation to Ozarks Food Harvest.

Volunteers make it possible for Ozarks Food Harvest to feed 30,000 individuals each and every week. Every hour donated by a volunteer provides 105 meals for those in need. Your help is needed to keep pantry shelves stocked through the holiday season.

Need help applying? Call Jolene at (417) 865-3411, ext. 114 or email her at jthompson@ozarksfoodharvest.org. ■



VOLUNTEERS SORT PRODUCE IN OZARKS FOOD HARVEST'S VOLUNTEER CENTER.

GROUPS 20+ HOURS

Ameriprise Financial
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Chase Bank
City of Springfield Public Works/Environmental Services
CoxHealth Contact Center
Datema House
Developmental Center of the Ozarks
Drury Residence Assistance Staff
Drury University Freshman
Faith for Life
First Christian Church-Neosho
First Christian Church Youth Group
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THANK YOU!



Congratulations, Dave McGee!

Dave reached the pinnacle of 1,000 hours of time donated! He has volunteered in the Volunteer Center four days a week since June 2014. Heartfelt thanks to dedicated volunteers, like Dave, who make the work at The Food Bank possible.

FOOD DRIVES 100+ POUNDS

Park Board's Splash N' Sizzle — 10,602
Lucas Oil Speedway — 9,825
Dollar Tree Stores — 6,715
United Way Day of Caring — 2,336
U.S. Medical Center for Federal Prisoners — 1,877
Kraft Heinz - Springfield Employees — 1,841
NewStream Enterprises — 1,659
Central Bank of the Ozarks — 1,293
American Cancer Society — 791
Grant Avenue Freewill Baptist Church — 698
Social Security Administration — 615
Ozark Mountain Ridge Runners Poker Run — 555
MSU Dining Services — 545
Graceway Baptist Church — 535
Social Security ODAR Office — 380
Wanda Gray Elementary School — 318
Great Clips — 263
FEMA DR4250 Branch I — 144

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INDIVIDUALS 20+ HOURS

Ruby Allen	Harvey Kaylor
Megan Atkinson	Amanda Kirkpatrick
Jim Blackwell	Freeman Kleier
Margaret Blackwell	Leeman Kleier
Delys Bodenhausen	Don Landon
Max Bodenhausen	Linda Lange
Charley Bowen	George Lawrence
Trudy Bown	Justin Linebaugh
Jill Burrow	Ashleigh Lutz
Karla Carroll	Wai Mak
John Carson	Ann Marsh
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John Cooper	Melvie Mosier
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Eileen Deal	Charlene Nelson
Ryan Dean	Connor Patterson
Adam Debacker	Jerry Patton
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Ray Jackson	Matthew Wilson
Sibyl James	Larry Woolf
Shane Jones	Jerry Yoakum

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SPS FOOD FIGHT COMPETITION ON THROUGH OCTOBER

Springfield Public Schools are participating in Ozarks Food Harvest's 6th annual Food Fight competition through Oct. 31, with a goal of 40,000 pounds to beat last year's total of 36,551 pounds of donations.

Food Fight is a food and fund drive competition with the mission to raise hunger awareness across the school district and stock community and school pantry shelves. Participating schools can partner with an

area business with all donations collected at the business going toward the partnering school's final donation total.

To participate, call Jenna Brown at (417) 865-3411 or email jbrown@ozarksfoodharvest.org. ■



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