



5th Annual Community Fish Drive

In 2015, the community began “fishing” for struggling families and neighbors through a food drive that collects high-protein fish products during Lent.

- WHO:** Anyone is welcome to collect food! We’re specifically encouraging all churches to “go fishing” during the drive.
- WHEN:** March 6 – April 18
- WHERE:** Churches, schools, businesses and other organizations in the Ozarks
- WHY:** One in five children and one in seven adults in the Ozarks are served by our network of 270 hunger-relief agencies, and high-protein, nutritious foods are frequently requested. Fish is nutrient-dense, and it is usually easy to prepare and eat without requiring a kitchen or a lot of time.
- HOW:** Utilizing provided supplies (posters, barrels, boxes and digital promotion images), your group can easily host a food drive during Lent by asking church members, employees, students, friends and families to donate canned or pouched fish and other nonperishable food items.

Please register your Fish Drive by visiting ozarksfoodharvest.org/fishdrive2019. You can also email Thomas Thomas Cunningham at tcunningham@ozarksfoodharvest.org, or call him at 417-865-3411, ext. 137.

At the end of the drive, there are three ways to get the fish and other nonperishable items to Ozarks Food Harvest:

1. Ozarks Food Harvest will pick up the food, weigh the collection and distribute your donations throughout the hunger relief organizations in our 28-county service area.
2. You can deliver your collection to The Food Bank.
3. Ozarks Food Harvest will gladly accept all donations collected during the Lent Fish Drive. However, if your organization already has a pantry you closely work with, we are happy to help you coordinate a drive for them. By doing so, we will be able to keep track of the pounds donated and measure the collective impact.

Thank you for helping provide meals for struggling families in the Ozarks!