

DAILY VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



A FRESH APPROACH
TO ENDING LOCAL HUNGER

Eagan Pantry, 5 Days a week and Tuesday and Thursday evenings

3904 Cedar Grove Parkway, Eagan

Sign up for a 45-minute orientation in Eagan at

<https://theopendoorpantry.org/get-involved/volunteer/volunteer-individually>

Retail Rescue Drivers

Monday through Friday shifts available, anytime between 7 am and 9:30 am

Using The Open Door vehicles (or your own if preferred), Retail Rescue Drivers travel mornings to local grocery stores to pick up food donations and bring to TOD's Eagan Pantry or Apple Valley Center. No special license is needed; ability to lift 40+ pounds.

Eagan Pantry, morning retail rescue sorting

2-4 people, 9:30 am-11 am

Sort retail rescue items picked up at local grocery stores. Stock Pantry shelves, discard unusable foods and packaging in organic composting or recycling containers.

Client Attendants: Schedule appointments for clients of the Eagan Pantry and the Mobile Pantry, receive and make phone calls, and enter information into the database.

Family Advocates: Work directly with families to help identify needs and provide information for other resources and services. Must be 18 years old. Background check required (obtained by The Open Door).

Greeter: Greet and check in clients as they arrive. Additional tasks may include making reminder calls for the next day and straightening up the waiting area.

Shoppers: Assist clients as they select their groceries throughout the Eagan pantry.

Check out: Weigh and carryout groceries for the client.

Stockers: General duties in receiving, storage, and stocking of food including food deliveries and donations, light cleaning and organizing.

Mobile Pantry Center, 5 days a week, various locations

14757 Energy Way, Apple Valley

Sign up for a 45-minute orientation in Apple Valley at

<https://theopendoorpantry.org/mobile-pantry-volunteers-2>

Morning Stock and Prep volunteers

4-5 volunteers

Help stock and ready the Mobile Pantry for distribution. Clean prep areas in Mobile Pantry Center.

Mobile Pantry morning retail rescue sorting: Sort retail rescue items picked up at local grocery stores. Stock Pantry shelves to look neat and inviting, discard unusable foods and packaging in organic composting or recycling containers.

Mobile Pantry Drivers: Drive the mobile pantry to distribution sites. No special drivers license required. Must be 18 years old. Background check required (obtained by The Open Door).

Mobile Pantry Shoppers: Assist clients through the mobile pantry as they make their grocery selections. Shoppers meet the mobile bus at the client site.

If you have any questions contact Deanna Baisch, at 651-368-1315 or at deannab@theopendoorpantry.org

Our mission is working to end local hunger through access to healthy food

The Open Door—with the support of the community—provides healthy food access for those in need

5,000

individuals served each month throughout Dakota County



7 out of 10

clients get **HALF OR MORE** of their monthly food from The Open Door*

1 million +

Pounds of food distributed annually, with a focus on procuring healthy fresh food

200

Garden To Table plots, for clients to learn and grow their own food, free of charge

17

Food distribution sites including our Eagan Pantry and 14 Mobile Pantry sites

5

Mobile Lunch Box sites, bringing summertime lunches to low-income school-aged children, right in their neighborhood

Distributing food **5** days and 2 evenings each week

2

Food donation drop off sites—Eagan and Apple Valley

Group volunteer opportunities on other side

*2015 client survey

GROUP VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



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Eagan Pantry

4-8 people

Thursday afternoons, 2:30-4:00 pm

Help unpack our Second Harvest delivery, stock our dry good shelves and then ready our Pantry for evening distribution by stocking shelves, tidying fresh produce shelves and coolers, sweep floor.

This is a popular time for groups and we are fortunate to have groups help on Thursdays. Some businesses sign up for 6 to 12 months and make it a monthly volunteer event.

Eagan Pantry, 'shift take over'

Need to sign up to a month in advance

6 volunteers

Tuesday or Thursday evenings, 5:30-8 pm

Cover a volunteer shift that works directly with clients during food distribution

4 shoppers, a stocker, a checkout person needed

This would also work as a monthly volunteer event.

Would need to come at 5 pm for quick orientation on first evening.

Eagan Pantry, deep cleaning and maintenance

After 3:00 pm on Mon or a Wed.

8-12 volunteers

Detach and vacuum out filters and coils on coolers; empty coolers and clean shelving and walls; empty fresh food shelves and scrub and dry; empty and wipe down shelving in Pantry; sweep under shelving and coolers.

Apple Valley Mobile Pantry Center

Any morning, Mon-Friday, 8:30-10:30 am

4-5 volunteers

Help stock and ready the Mobile Pantry for distribution. Clean prep areas in Mobile Pantry Center.

Apple Valley Mobile Pantry Center, deep cleaning and maintenance

Any morning, Mon-Friday, 8:30-10:30 am or late afternoon

8-12 volunteers

Clean inside produce coolers, organize dry goods shelves, clean produce shelves; Clean floors and shelving of Mobile Pantry vehicle.

If you have any questions contact Nancy Wester, Community Relations Manager at 651-600-1074 or nancyw@theopendoorpantry.org

To register your group go to theopendoorpantry.org/get-involved/volunteer/group-volunteering

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