

List of Food Resources in Carver County

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This list may not represent all resources available in Carver County. Email communityresponse@co.carver.mn.us with any additions or corrections to the listings.

Map of food assistance resources in Carver County: <https://arcg.is/0LXDOn>

Food Shelves

[Bountiful Basket \(Chaska\)](#)

- Call to schedule an appointment for curbside pickup: 952-556-0244
- Deliveries are available through Southwest Transit the first and third Tuesday of each month
- Open regularly scheduled hours:
 - Monday: 9 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
 - Tuesday/Wednesday/Friday: 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
 - First and Third Saturday of each month 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

[Friends for Life \(Watertown\)](#)

- Call to schedule an appointment for curbside pickup: 952-955-1980
- Open regularly scheduled hours:
 - Monday: 6-8 p.m.
 - Tuesday/Friday: 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

[PROP \(Eden Prairie\)](#)

- Call 952-937-9120 to place a food order for pickup—*same day order and pickup only*
- Call in hours:
 - Monday-Friday: 9:30 a.m. –1 p.m.
 - Wednesday: 4—6:15 p.m.

[Southwest Carver County Food Shelf \(Norwood Young America\)](#)

- Call to schedule an appointment for curbside pickup: 952-467-1870
- Open regularly scheduled hours:
 - Tuesday: 12:30 – 6:30 p.m.
 - First Saturday of the month: 10 a.m. –12 p.m.

[Waconia United Food Shelf](#)

- New hours
 - Monday and Saturday: 9 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.
 - Thursday: 4 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.
- Volunteers will pack a seven-day supply of food and essential items into bags. Clients can stay in their vehicles and volunteers will bring the bag(s) of food to the vehicle.

[His House Foundation / Abundance Food Program:](#)

- Will deliver basic necessities, including food, to individuals and families
- Contact Martha via text at 612-325-4693

Little Free Pantries

Similar to the Little Free Library concept, these food pantries are located outside and are unstaffed. Food is donated by community members, and people may take what they need at any time of the day.

- **Hamburg Little Free Food Shelf:** Located on the corner of Brad and Park on Security Bank's property.
- **Little Free Pantry in Chaska:** Located on the corner of 4th Street and Walnut Street in Chaska, in front of the Chaska Moravian Church.

School Meals

Central Public Schools

- Free breakfast and lunch are available for pickup for all students who live in District 108
- Pickup on Monday and Thursdays from 7 – 9 a.m.
- Locations for meal pickup:
 - Kurious Kids in Cologne
 - Hamburg Fire Hall
 - Central Elementary School

Cologne Academy

- Free breakfast and lunch for all children who need them
- Schedule based on the original 2019-2020 school calendar
- School personnel will communicate with families about food distribution details

Eastern Carver County Schools

- Free lunch for kids 18 and younger
- Mondays and Wednesdays from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
- Locations for meal pickup
 - Clover Ridge Elementary School
 - Riverview Terrace
 - If unable to pick up from these two sites, contact Nutrition Services at nutrition@district112.org or 952-556-6150

Waconia Public Schools

- Free breakfast and lunch for all kids 18 and younger
- Monday through Friday
- Locations
 - St. Bonifacious—Missle Park: 10 – 10:30 a.m.
 - Waconia High School: 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.
- Look for Café #110's red van
- Adults meals are also available for purchase for \$6.00 (cash only)

Watertown Mayer Public Schools

- Free breakfast and lunch for ALL kids 18 and younger
- Children must be present at time of pickup
- Sites open 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m., Mondays and Thursdays
- Locations:

- Watertown Mayer High School
- Mayer City Hall Parking Lot
- Call 952-955-0480 if unable to pick-up

Local restaurants offering free meals*

- [Lola's Lakehouse](#) (Waconia)
 - Offering free lunch for kids 11am-1pm daily
 - Call ahead to order for pickup: 952-442-4954
- [Mario's Italian Kitchen](#) (Watertown)
 - If a child is in need of food, contact the restaurant at 952-955-2115
- [Pangea Café](#) (Waconia)
 - Offering free breakfast sandwiches and to-go lunches to children in need
 - 952-300-8604
- Hunger Solutions [created a map](#) to list restaurants offering free meals for kids during COVID-19 closings. This map is updated regularly by [Hunger Solutions](#).

**note these may change without notice*

Food Delivery

[SmartLink Grocery and Goods Delivery](#)

New and existing SmartLink customers can order groceries and household essentials online from a store that has online shopping and local pick up. SmartLink will pick your order up and deliver to your house at no cost. Contact Customer Service to schedule your free delivery service today: (952) 496-8341

Grocery Stores

Grocery stores that deliver in Carver County*

- [ALDI](#): uses [Instacart](#), store pickup available
- [Cub Foods](#): uses [Instacart](#), store pickup available
- [Kowalski's](#): delivery to Eastern Carver County only, store pickup available
- [Lund's and Byerly's](#): delivery to certain zip codes, store pickup available
- [Mackenthun's](#): delivery to Waconia area only, store pickup available

Other grocery services in or near Carver County*

- [Coborn's](#): Curbside pickup in Belle Plaine and Glencoe
- [Instacart](#): third party shopping service. Shop online and individuals will purchase and delivery groceries to your door.
- [Shipt](#): third party shopping service. Shop online and individuals will purchase and delivery groceries to your door. Available only for residents in Chaska, Chanhassen and Victoria.

**note that many grocery delivery services have a fee and may have a minimum order*

Local Prepared Meal Delivery

- [Meals on Wheels from the CAP Agency](#): meals for adults 60+. Suggested donation of \$5 per meal, but no one will be denied service if unable to pay.
 - Chanhassen residents: contact (952) 227-1127
 - Chaska, Carver and Victoria residents: contact (952) 448-9303, ext. 1132
 - Waconia, Cologne, Mayer and NYA residents: contact (952) 442-5478

- [The Gold Fork](#): Meal delivery from Mario's Italian Kitchen for seniors in Watertown only, just \$50/month

Local Food Delivery and Carryout

- [Map of food and beverage establishments](#) open in Carver County during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- [NYA Area Chamber of Commerce's Facebook Page](#) for restaurants offering delivery, carryout, drive-thru or curbside pickup.
- [Waconia Chamber of Commerce's Facebook Page](#) for restaurants offering delivery, carryout, drive-thru or curbside pickup.

Prepared or Prepare-at-Home Meals via the Mail

- There are a variety of companies offering meal kits to be prepared at home, including [Blue Apron](#), [Hello Fresh](#), [Home Chef](#) and more
- [Mom's Meals](#): Frozen, ready to microwave meals, special diets available. 1-877-508-6667

Food Assistance Programs

- The [Hunger Solutions Helpline](#) can help identify food resources in your area. Prefer to talk to someone? Contact the Helpline at 1-888-711-1151.
- The [Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program](#) (SNAP) helps supplement the food and nutrition needs of people with low incomes. These benefits are for eligible families and individuals of all ages, including children and seniors. SNAP eligibility depends on your household's size and income. Apply online at <https://applymn.dhs.mn.gov> or call (952) 496-2125.
- The [Women, Infants and Children](#) Program (WIC) provides nutritious foods and nutrition education for low-income pregnant, postpartum women, infants and children up to age 5. Eligibility is based on income. To determine eligibility and to apply for an appointment call (952) 567-8229 or go to <https://www.capagency.org/education/women-infant-children-wic/>