

# Hooker Fights Hunger

## What's Up

Fall 2021 newsletter

### You Make Our Program Work

What have we learned? It takes a community to sustain a food pantry. Since Hooker Fights Hunger opened its doors on July 1, 2020, we have been blessed with support from very generous community members and area businesses. To mention just a few, we've received food from Seaboard Foods, the Hooker High School Student Council food drive, the Clover Leaf 4H food drive, and community members. We've received monetary donations from community members, the Seaboard Foods car show cookout, and business sponsors. And of course, we have had the help of some awesome volunteers. Thank you!

Our partnership with the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma continues to grow. The Food Bank delivers senior boxes to us each month. We are also now able to order food from them, but we have difficulty receiving orders because we must transport pallets of food from Guymon. To help, the Food Bank is creating a hub in Woodward that will allow their truck to stop at our pantry for deliveries. We appreciate all the support they give us. We also have a great partnership with Mills Ideal Foods, where we buy a significant portion of our food.

### Cold Weather is Coming

Purchasing food for the pantry is a stark reminder of how much it costs to feed a family. Even with the generous support we receive, our food budget is stretched thin. In the coming cold weather months, we know some families in our area will have to choose between being warm and being fed. Hooker Fights Hunger is here to help those families and others who are having difficulty affording food. Our program is made possible by the generous support we receive from our donors and volunteers.



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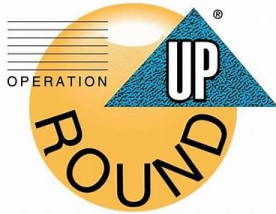


## Walmart Supports Hooker Fights Hunger

This summer Hooker Fights Hunger received our second \$1,000 donation from Walmart Gives. The associates at the Guymon Walmart Supercenter recommended our organization for the grant. This gift is being used to help us provide food support to people in our area. Our local Walmart Supercenter is a great community partner, and we appreciate all the associates working there for their support of our food pantry program.

## Senior Food Boxes Available

Hooker Fights Hunger receives USDA Commodity Supplemental Food Program boxes each month through the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma. This program is available to persons 60 and older who's income falls within the government low-income guidelines. The program provides nutritious food choices to supplement a senior's diet. Seniors interested in participating in this program can contact Hooker Fights Hunger at (580) 522-1655 for more information or to fill out an application



## TCEC Operation Round Up Program Gives to HFH

Hooker Fights Hunger Food Pantry has applied for and received two \$1,500 donations from the new TCEC Operation Round Up Program. We are thrilled to have this resource available to help provide funding for our food programs and the operation of the food pantry. Thank you to TCEC and its members for the support you have shown our program and many other organizations in our area. For more information about the Round Up Program go to their website at <https://tcec.coop/oru>

## Pantry Distributions

As of October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021

Total Number of Households in our program – 143

Total number of people in our program – 387

Total number of households served in distributions – 1,257

Total number of people served in distributions – 2,925

Total number of pounds of food distributed -- 32,576

## Note To Our Clients

Thank you for participating in our food program. We always look forward to seeing you and visiting with you. You are the reason we do what we do. Whether you come every two weeks, or if it has been a while since you last stopped by, you are always welcome at the Hooker Fights Hunger pantry.

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# Friends of Hooker Fights Hunger

September 30, 2021

The Board of Directors of Hooker Fights Hunger thanks the businesses and individuals who have donated to our organization. Your support is vital to the success of our efforts to assist people in our local communities.

Seth Adams  
Thomas J Arnold Farms  
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Sheila Blankenship  
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City of Hooker  
Clover Leaf 4-H Club  
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## Platinum Sponsors



Hooker High School  
Student Council  
and HALO



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# Let's Fight Hunger Together

## How You Can Help

**Donations:** Monetary donations are always appreciated. Because we are a 501(c)(3) organization, your donation may be tax deductible. Mail your donation to Hooker Fights Hunger, PO Box 395, Hooker OK 73945, or donate online at [www.hookerfights hunger.org](http://www.hookerfights hunger.org). You can also donate with our PayPal QR Code or with AmazonSmile. See below for more information on these options.

Canned food donations are also welcome. You can drop off donations when the pantry is open, Wednesdays from 5 pm to 7 pm, or call (580) 324-3263 and we will make arrangements to meet you.

**Volunteering:** If you would like to volunteer to help fill food boxes and distribute food, we would love to have you! Email us at [info@hookerfights hunger.org](mailto:info@hookerfights hunger.org) or call Mary Beth at 580-522-1655 for more information.



### Giving to Hooker Fights Hunger is easy with PayPal

Just scan this barcode and enter the amount you want to donate. PayPal will make the donation to us using your PayPal account and email you a receipt. Giving made easy!



### Amazon Donates When You Shop

When you shop with Amazon using their Amazonsmile login, you can choose Hooker Fights Hunger as your preferred charity. Each time you purchase, the Amazon Foundation will make a donation to us. There is no cost to you.

For more information visit <https://smile.amazon.com/about>

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## If You Need Food

If you are in need of food assistance, contact us at 580-324-3263 or email [info@hookerfights hunger.org](mailto:info@hookerfights hunger.org). Help is available to anyone who lives in Hooker, Tyrone, Baker, Adams, Hardesty, Optima or Straight. No proof of income or citizenship is needed. Contact us today, and someone from our organization will reach out to you as soon as possible.

Hooker Fights Hunger is a non-profit 501(c)(3) company located in Hooker Oklahoma. Our 2021 board of directors are: Raymond Holbert, President; Velma Smothermon, Vice-President; Mary Beth Puyear, Treasurer. We are a volunteer-based organization. No board member, advisor, administrator, or associate is compensated for their service.

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