Do you need help feeding your family?

If you live in Oxford, or you're a registered member of an Oxford Church, we can help you. We provide free emergency grocery assistance to any family living in Oxford, also to non-residents who are registered members of an Oxford Church.

We are also authorized to distribute USDA (United States Department of Agriculture) foods each week.

Let us help you.

FREE EMERGENCY GROCERY ASSISTANCE

Open to all residents of Oxford also non-residents who are "registered" members of an Oxford Church.

Location:

4 Maple Road, Oxford, MA. In the lower level of the Oxford Community Center.

Hours: Distribution is open Thursday evenings from 5:30 PM till 7:15 PM. Closed on Holidays. **ID Required:**

Oxford Residents – Must bring a picture ID (driver's license) showing current Oxford address, or a current utility bill showing name and Oxford address.

Non-Residents – Must be a registered member of an Oxford Church. The family will be given a "Church Affiliation Form" to have filled out by their church leader, AND must bring a picture ID (driver's license) showing current address.

Registration - Registration takes about 10 minutes and can be completed during the first visit.

- The USDA Food Program requires that once a year we verify a families income level. We simply
 ask if the family income exceeds a federal guideline amount which is based upon the number of
 people in the family. We do **NOT** ask, or need to know, how much income a family has.
- Once a year families are asked to provide a valid identification for every family member. This can be a birth certificate, social security card, drivers license, passport, federal or state ID card, or other valid form of identification. Assistance available each month:
- <u>ONE THURSDAY EACH MONTH</u> (Any Thursday the family chooses.) Families will receive a week's supply of groceries. These include quantities of canned vegetables, canned fruits, baking goods, dry cereals, soups, macaroni & cheese, spaghetti and spaghetti sauce, baked beans, rice, condiments, jello, and snacks. Also frozen juice, cheese and ground beef or ground turkey and fresh vegetables, fresh fruits, breads, pies, cakes and deserts. Approved families will also receive USDA food.
- <u>REMAINING THURSDAYS</u> Families will receive a variety of breads and a selection of grocery items. Approved families will also receive USDA food every Thursday. Fresh vegetables, fresh fruits, pies, cakes and deserts will also be provided when they are available.

The OXFORD FOOD SHELF is operated by members of the OXFORD ECUMENICAL COUNCIL. The Council is made up of representatives from the Oxford First Baptist Church, <u>First Congregational Church</u>, <u>Grace Episcopal Church</u>, <u>Oak Hill Bible Church</u>, <u>St. Ann's Catholic Church</u>, <u>St. Roch's Catholic Church</u>, <u>United Methodist Church</u>, and the <u>Zion Lutheran Church</u>.

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If you would like more information or to find out how you can donate, please call #508-987-1062. Leave a message with your name & telephone number and we will return your call.