

BATESVILLE AREA MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION FOOD PANTRY  
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Dear Friends,

We at the Food Pantry are delighted to announce that, at long, long last, we have finally moved in to our new location!!! The big move happened on Friday, the 12<sup>th</sup> of August and we were incredibly blessed to have the help of two outstanding crews of volunteers. Global Atlantic (formerly know as Forethought) packed up everything in the old pantry – food, furniture and grocery carts – it all went. They then spent a couple of hours sweeping, mopping, scrubbing and generally leaving the place as clean as anyone could expect the old place to get. At the same time, a group of Hill-Rom volunteers were at the new site putting together the shelving that the Kroger Corporation was kind enough to donate to us. They also installed door bumpers, did a bit of painting, installed desk knobs and they too cleaned everything in sight!

We were also fortunate to have a veritable convoy of pickup trucks waiting to haul over whatever was plunked into their vehicles as soon as each was full. It was an extremely hot and uncomfortable day (at least it wasn't raining!) but not one person uttered a single complaint and the most commonly heard question throughout the day was "What can I do next?" It all went incredibly well and we are simply delighted with the results.

We will open our doors to clients on Wednesday, August 24 for the first time at the new location, the Batesville Area Resource Center at 920 County Line Road. By then we should have most of the remaining details resolved, such as putting up the little signs indicating what each food station is and so forth. At last we actually have room for a file room, waiting room and a proper janitorial station. Life is good!

There's an old saying: "The biggest room in the world is the room for improvement". Well, we now have bigger rooms and boy, what an improvement! We would like to express our tremendous appreciation to everyone who has helped to make this a reality. Needless to say, this includes each and every person who has supported us with the financial contributions necessary to make it all happen - we'd still be waiting if it wasn't for you folks!

Thank you!

Sincerely,

*Batesville Area Ministerial Association Food Pantry*