

**BATESVILLE AREA MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION FOOD PANTRY**  
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Dear Friends,

It seems like we just got through with Thanksgiving and Christmas and here we are starting to plan for Easter at the Food Pantry. During the month of March, like the other "holiday months" we'll be giving out a few extras from our "holiday shelves". This tends to slow down the process of going through the line, but our clients so appreciate the extras that no one ever seems to complain about the extra time. Of course, with Easter comes spring, and this spring will find us, finally, moving into our new quarters. This will probably take place during the month of April. The Batesville Area Resource Center (BARC) was fortunate enough to be granted \$25,000 in Belterra funding, which will enable the renovation coordinators to hire professional help to complete the project. Volunteer help is great and is much appreciated, but it's not always practical as far as timing goes, or getting the right talent for the particular job at hand on the right day. In addition, the professionals work five days a week instead of one or two (weekends) which will speed up the process. Thanks are due to the many volunteers who have helped up to this point, as well as to the Batesville City Council for approving the funding!

Most of you are familiar with the Kroger Community Rewards Program, but for those who are not, it is a fantastic and risk free way to earn cash for the registered non profit organization of the shopper's choice. The Food Pantry is now enrolled in this program, so we are looking for people to assign their Kroger Plus Card to the pantry. It's quick, it's easy, and it does not interfere with points towards your fuel rewards. The more shoppers who assign their account to the Food Pantry, the more dollars we'll get! The only downside (if you could call it that) is that the shopper must renew their enrollment each August...a small price to pay for big rewards!

So, visit *kroger.com*, follow the links and sign up today. We would be most grateful!

Sincerely,

*Batesville Area Ministerial Association Food Pantry*