

**BATESVILLE AREA MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION FOOD
PANTRY
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Dear Friends,

This update from the Batesville Area Ministerial Association Food Pantry is being issued by the request of one of the Association ministers to let you know how we're doing lately. So far this summer we've been pretty busy and seem to be getting a lot of new clients lately. Getting children back to school means our low income neighbors have to spend money for new clothes and this cuts into their food budget. Some of the items we seem to have trouble keeping in stock include fruit juices, canned fruit and personal care items. We also welcome soups, canned vegetables, pastas, cereal and canned meat.

We experienced a double whammy this month when the breakdown of one of our window air conditioners resulted in both a repair bill for the unit and a delayed leak from an (ancient) interior faucet used to flush out the unit. We came in several days later to discover a saturated floor, which although is pretty dry now, is starting to smell moldy.

As you can see, food is not the only expense involved in running a food pantry! We are grateful to the city for housing our operation in their building as well as covering the utilities, but other expenses are our responsibility. One of those responsibilities is the cleaning of the interior of the building and we are looking for one or more volunteers to take over this responsibility on a regular basis (twice per month). Please [contact the Food Pantry](#) if you are interested in being part of this essential volunteer activity.

On the bright side, we continue to see the generosity of the area churches. Without their support we could not function, it's that simple. Several of them bring over donated food items every week, and it could not be more welcome. All of them send in wonderful volunteers during their month of service and these folks are dedicated, reliable and hard working - In short, they are wonderful. Please feel free to drop in during our open hours, Wednesdays from noon to 4:00 pm to see our operation in action. Thank you for all your support, past, present and future!

Sincerely,

Batesville Area Ministerial Association Food Pantry