



An UPDATE for PARTNERS of FEED MY PEOPLE



Mark your calendars:

FMP will be **CLOSED** at **noon on Friday, April 18** in observance of Good Friday. If this affects your ordering window or delivery, you should have received an email from Ashley Anderson at the end of the first week in April.

*If you plan to do a customer pick-up between April 14-18, please contact us directly for any changes.

March statistics:

93% of Partners submitted their March statistics on time! That is up 6% from February. Thank you, thank you as we continue to strive for 100% on-time compliance. We are **SO** close! Congratulations to **St. Francesca Resource Center** in Chippewa Falls for being chosen to receive a \$50 Food Credit from FMP for having their March stats entered on time. Keep up the great work, everyone!

Check out our new 2025 Partner and Food Safety Manual and Partner Directory!

2025 Partner Manual:

This is the most up-to-date version of our Partner Manual. Please recycle any former copies you may have of this document and save this one for reference.

The *2025 Partner Manual* can be found on the FMP website under *Network Partners*. In *Network Partners*, click under Agency Info on the orange plus button to the right of AGENCY RESOURCES. The directory link is labeled : **2025 Partner Manual**.

2025 Food Safety Manual:

This is an important add-on document to our Partner Manual and should answer any questions you may have on food safety.

The *2025 Food Safety Manual* can be found on the FMP website under *Network Partners*. In *Network Partners*, click under [Agency Info](#) on the orange plus button to the right of FOOD SAFETY. The directory link is labeled : **2025 Food Safety Manual**.

Moving forward, we will be highlighting a section of these manuals in each Food for Thought.

2025 Partner Directory:

We have put together a brand-new resource, our *2025 Partner Directory* for you to collaborate and partner with other agencies in your county and beyond. Working together we can make an even bigger difference in our communities. We encourage you to reach out to other FMP partners and see how you can support each other, grow your reach, and collaborate new ideas!

The *2025 Partner Directory* can be found on the FMP website under *Network Partners*. In *Network Partners*, click under [Agency Info](#) on the orange plus button to the right of AGENCY RESOURCES. The directory link is labeled : **2025 Partner Directory**.

Click here to visit our Network Partners page to find the 2025 Partner Manual, the 2025 Food Safety Manual, and the 2025 Partner Directory

Free Fresh Produce through June 2025

We are thrilled to extend the opportunity for our Partners to continue to receive free fresh produce through **June 2025!** Please know we are dedicated to supporting each of you as we are able.



Fifth Weeks of the Month

Almost every month from now, through the end of 2025, has a **fifth week**. We ask you to keep an eye on this when it comes to your ordering window and delivery schedule, whether you get deliveries from us or you do customer pick-up.

If you get a delivery *every week*, this is not a problem. But, if you get deliveries, for example, every first and third week or second and fourth week, this can cause a problem if you have "every other week" thinking.

A reminder that your ordering window opens 1 week from your delivery day, giving you approximately 5 days to place your order and 2 days for the warehouse to prepare your order for delivery. Click [here](#) for an **Ordering Window** chart.

Here are the *fifth* days coming up:

April: fifth **Tuesday** and **Wednesday**

May: fifth **Thursday** and **Friday**

June: fifth **Monday**

July: fifth **Tuesday**, **Wednesday**, and **Thursday**

August: fifth **Friday**

September: fifth **Monday** and **Tuesday**

October: fifth **Wednesday**, **Thursday**, and **Friday**

*If you order outside of your ordering window, you will be alerted via email, your order will be deactivated, and you will have to re-place your order within your allotted ordering window.

*Please share this information with the person that does the ordering for your program.

Partner Proud

Agnes' Table and Community Center and Pantry - Chippewa Falls



Vanessa Baxter has been a steadfast volunteer at Agnes' Table Food Pantry since 2020, finding immense purpose in serving the community beyond her roles as a caregiver and a mom. She views volunteering not only as a vital way to give back, but also as a source of personal growth, enhancing her well-being and forging lasting friendships with fellow volunteers. Passionate about breaking the negative stigma tied to food pantries, Vanessa champions the efforts of Agnes' Table to educate the public on food rescue operations and its positive economic, humanitarian and environmental impacts. Her nonjudgmental approach and dedication have made her a cornerstone of Agnes' Table, while inspiring others - guests, volunteers and donors alike - to see Agnes' Table as a beacon in the community.

Meet Our FMP Team

This month, meet **Judy Thompson**. Judy is our **Donor Relations Specialist**. She works to keep the donor base up to date and enters checks that come through the mail. The thing she likes most about working at Feed My People is her friendly and easy to get along with co-workers.

Outside of FMP: On holidays, Judy goes to the movie theater with her son and his girlfriend. She also likes to watch TV. She enjoys spending time with her extended family that get together at least twice a year.



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