

An important message from your Food Bank

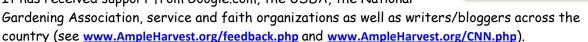
Gardeners Across America Are Harvesting Their Produce.

Their Excess Harvest Can Help Your Food Pantry

No one needs to tell you how difficult it is to meet the increasing food needs of your community today.

Gardeners in your community can help. They often grow more fruit, vegetables, herbs and nuts than they can use and would be happy to share some with your food pantry - if only they knew how.

The AmpleHarvest.org Campaign enables millions of America's gardeners to quickly find a local food pantry eager for fresh produce. It has received support from Google.com, the USDA, the National





More than 2,800 food pantries across all 50 states have already registered and more are signing up every day. If yours is not yet registered, you are missing the opportunity to receive fresh produce from local gardeners. You are urged to visit www.AmpleHarvest.org now to learn more about AmpleHarvest.org (go to the FAQ's page first) and to add your pantry today!

Adding your pantry to AmpleHarvest.org is EASY, QUICK and FREE. In addition to entering your pantries information (even a photo can be included!), you can also list store bought items your pantry most urgently needs for donors who want to help when the gardening season is over.

Do not worry if your pantry does not have refrigerated storage. Most pantries arrange for produce donation and client pickup on a same day or next day basis. The AmpleHarvest.org iPhone app (free!) can even help enable the donation of store bought items.

Many home and community gardeners are eager to reach into their backyards to help their neighbors in need. AmpleHarvest.org helps them find you.

We strongly urge you to visit www.AmpleHarvest.org and register your agency today!

Note: Although you register on AmpleHarvest.org via the Internet (you can use a home or public library computer if you like), your pantry does <u>not</u> need to be connected to the Internet to be found on AmpleHarvest.org.

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