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State Representative Marty Joe Murray Endorses Community Food Share During SNAP Suspension

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. — In response to the federal suspension of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, State Representative Marty Joe Murray, along with community leaders, is hosting a Community Food Share event to assist families in need during the holiday.

The food share will be free and open to the public, with volunteers handing out pantry staples, fresh produce, and prepared meals. The event is designed to stand in solidarity with families who are unfairly caught in the middle of federal dysfunction and will take place on Saturday, November 15, from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM at the Centenary Church on Olive Street in St. Louis.

“The irony of families losing access to food support during the month of Thanksgiving cannot be ignored,” said Murray, D-St. Louis. “At a time when we’re supposed to gather in gratitude and abundance, tens of thousands of Missouri families are instead facing empty tables because of political gridlock.”

In response to the Governor’s call for the immediate spending of \$15 million through the Missouri Area Agency on Aging and TANF funds to support Missouri food banks, Representative Murray emphasized that those funds were appropriated under the assumption there would be no delay in federal SNAP assistance. “While I appreciate the Governor’s action, we must recognize this is only a stopgap,” Murray said. “I urge my colleagues to do more in the spring, during review of the supplemental budget, to find a way to bridge the gap fully. The federal government has made it clear that it is the state’s responsibility to ensure the social programs Missourians depend on remain funded and stable.”

Donations to this event can be made at the following locations and times:

- Thomas Dunn Learning Center, Monday - Thursday, 10am-6pm
- STL City Hall, Monday - Friday, 8am-4pm
- Bread of Life Church, Monday - Sunday, 7am-7pm
- Life Wise STL, Monday - Friday, 6:30am-6:30pm
- Crown Candy Kitchen, Monday - Friday, 10:30am-5pm
- Rung for Women, Monday - Friday, 9am-8:30pm

Representative Marty Joe Murray, a Democrat, proudly represents part of St. Louis City (District 78) in the Missouri House of Representatives. He was elected to his first two-year term in November 2024.

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7TH & 14TH WARD

78TH DISTRICT

COMMUNITY FOOD SHARE

Our food drive is an opportunity for you to contribute to your community by donating non-perishable food items. Let's spread kindness and generosity!

**YOU CAN DONATE NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS
SUCH AS CANNED GOODS, PASTA, AND RICE**

DONATION DROP OFF LOCATIONS

accepted between October 24th - November 14th

**Thomas Dunn
Learning Center**
Mon-Thurs 10:00am - 6:00pm

**STL City Hall
Board of Aldermen**
Mon-Friday 8am - 4pm

Life Wise STL
Mon-Friday 6:30am - 6:30pm

Bread of Life
Mon-Sunday 7:00am - 7:00pm

Rung for Women
Mon-Friday 9am - 8:30pm

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FOOD DISTRIBUTION
NOVEMBER 15TH 11:30 AM - 1:00PM
1610 OLIVE ST, ST. LOUIS, MO 63103

