

RACAP News

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Thank you for helping us help others.

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Dear RACAP Family,

It's hard to believe we are getting ready for fall. School started last month and RACAP continues to help clients with food to feed their families. Now, more than ever, we need donations as we continue our mission to feed our neighbors near and far. Fall is right around the corner which means cooler temperatures; however, this year summer will be hanging around a little longer. We will need to wait for those cooler temperatures, but Kathy Stone, RACAP Assistant Director, will soon be busy preparing for the Annual Holiday Food Basket Program. When you are doing your personal shopping, please remember the pantry and add extra non-perishable items to the grocery cart. Board members, it's not too early to start reminding your churches to set their date for Harvest Sunday. Once the date has been set, notify RACAP via email. Harvest Sunday is when the member churches start collecting non-perishable food items for the Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets. RACAP is a *"Difference Maker"* when it comes to providing food or monetary help to clients.

Blessings,

Kathy Staley, RACAP Board President



Month in Review

August 2024 Results

186 Families (536 People) Assisted

142 Pantry Orders Prepared 424 People Fed

Estimated Value of Food Given: \$36,057.00

Dear RACAP Family,

In August, we saw the schools open their doors for the 2024-2025 school year. We hosted our Back to School Supply Program. With the help of so many generous donations, we were able to lighten the burden of the cost of school supplies for many parents. We assisted 80 families, and gave out 183 bags of school supplies. Thank you to all who donated and to Kathy Stone for running this program.

The triple temperatures in August were brutal. I want to say a huge thank you to our hardworking volunteers who unloaded groceries into client's cars in that blistering heat. No matter the weather, they are always ready to help and with a big smile on their face.

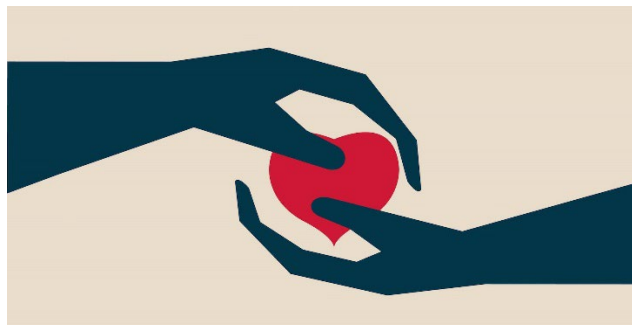
I would like to give a shout out to Thrifty Hippie in Universal City! They blessed us food donations and a monetary donation. They support so many non-profits in our community! Please be sure to think of them when you are decluttering for their thrift shop. They have an amazing selection with amazing prices!

I would also like to give a shout out to The Chambers and the Hyper Group. They recently hosted a food drive for us and what an unexpected pleasant surprise it was!! They donated so much food! Be sure to check out the pics on our FB group page. Many businesses came together and supported us. I literally choked up with tears from gratitude. It has been such a busy summer and we needed lots of empty shelves replenished. Thank you so much!!

Even though the weather is still hot, it's time for us to start planning our Holiday Meal Basket Programs. We will start taking client applications from October 1st through October 31st for Thanksgiving. If yourself, group or business is looking to help a family in need, please consider sponsoring a family. You can email Kathy at racapholidayprog@att.net for more information.

We appreciate your support!

**With much gratitude,
Lisa Loftus
RACAP Program Director**





October Birthdays

Marilyn Paliani 10/3
Beverly Mielke 10/8
Voni Lineberger 10/12
Kathy Stone 10/14
Mary Pevoto 10/17
Winona Johnson 10/28

Current Pantry Needs



Cereal
Canned Soup
Cream of Soup
Dry Beans
Jell-O

Jelly
Meat Helpers
Peanut Butter
Shampoo
Brown Grocery Bags

*Let your light so shine before men,
That they may see your good works and glorify
Your Father in heaven.
Mathew 5:16*



RACAP Board of Directors Meeting

The RACAP Board of Directors now meets quarterly.
Our next meeting will be held on October 15th, 2024 at
7:00PM
Location: Schertz United Methodist Church
3460 Roy Richardson Drive, Schertz 78154



Is your harvest too big for you? Do you have fruits or vegetables you would like to share with RACAP clients? Please feel free to donate any surplus fruits or vegetables you grow to us and we will include them in our grocery orders to clients. We are available for donation drop off Monday-Friday 1-3 p.m.

FOOD DONATION DROPOFFS – BEFORE OR AFTER OPEN HOURS.

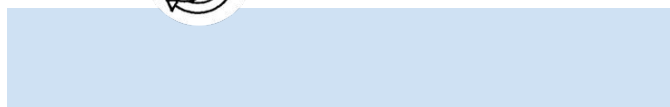
RACAP has drop off locations in the lobbies of these three businesses.

1. Physicians Premier Emergency Room, 580 Cibolo Valley Dr. Ste.#137, Cibolo, is a 24/7 donation drop-off location. It is a three-story brick building around the corner from Cibolo Wal-Mart. Donations made here are brought to RACAP weekly. Contact Physicians Premier at (210) 254-0983 for more information.

2. Schertz Cibolo Emergency Clinic, 4825 FM 3009, Ste. 200 Schertz, is a 24/7 drop-off location. The clinic is located between the ATT store and Bush's Chicken. Donations are regularly brought to RACAP. Contact Schertz Cibolo Emergency Clinic at (210) 202-1123 for more information.

3. Credit Human, 857 Cibolo Valley Drive Suite 232, Cibolo TX 78108 will collect donations during the following hours M-F 9-5 & Saturday 9-12 Contact Credit Human at (210) 258-1256 for more information.

If you would like to make a financial donation, you can click on the QR code and it will link you to our website. Thank you so much for your support!



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