

Your **FOOD** **DRIVE** Resource Guide & Toolkit

Thank you for your interest in hosting a food drive! Included in this toolkit are helpful tips & information to make your drive a success.

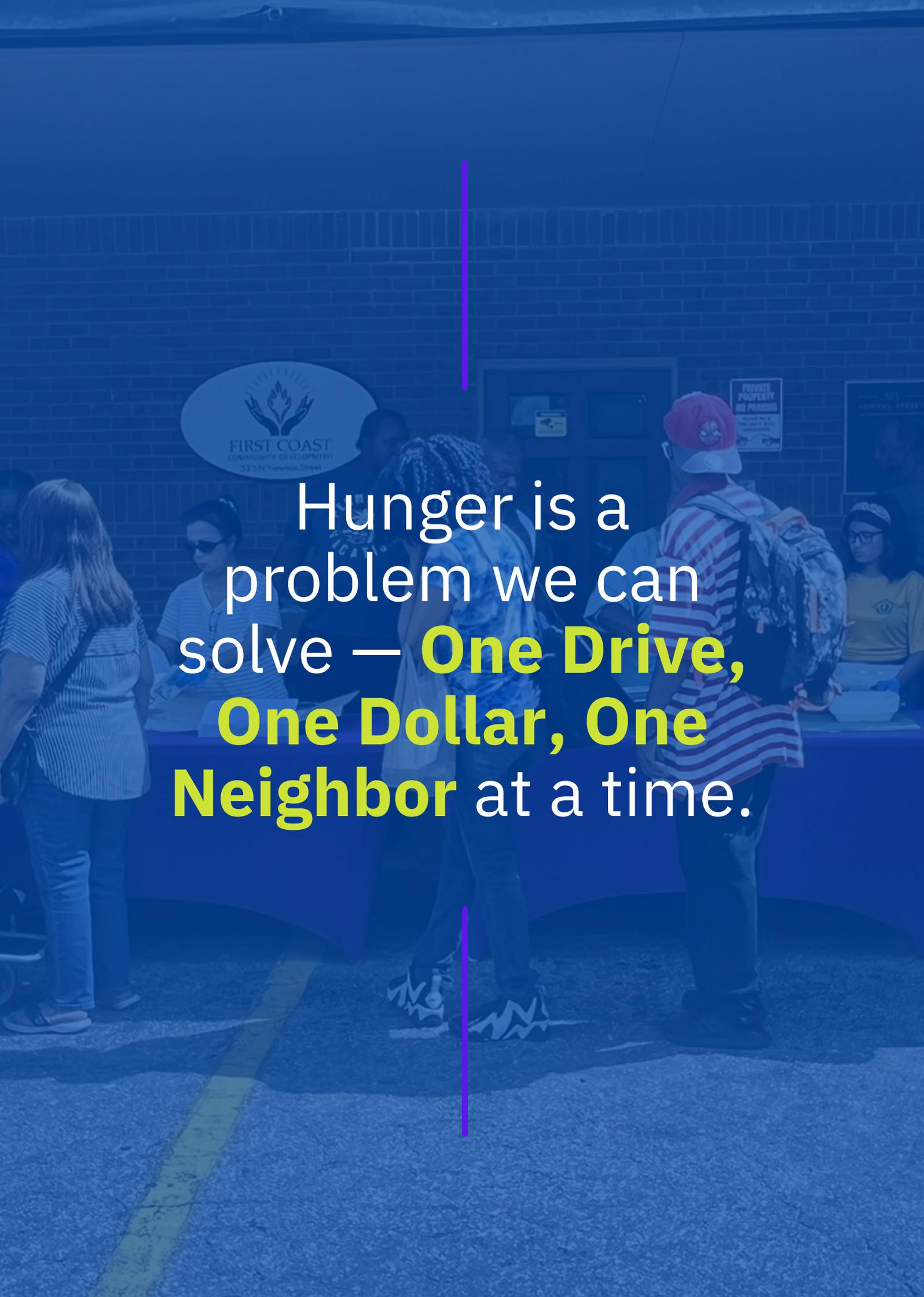




Our Mission

For six years, FCCD Inc. has proudly hosted Serving Saturday every week, providing meals to thousands in Duval County. As the need in our community continued to grow, we listened. What began as a weekly effort evolved into a deeper commitment to consistency, dignity, and nourishment. To better meet our neighbors where they are, FCCD expanded its work into Serving the Block Kitchen.





Hunger is a
problem we can
solve — **One Drive,
One Dollar, One
Neighbor** at a time.

Let's Get Started: Choose Your Drive Type



TRADITIONAL FOOD DRIVE

Traditional Food Drive Organize a collection of non-perishable food items from our Most Needed Items list to help us keep our shelves stocked.

FUND DRIVES

Raise funds as part of a food drive, or at a separate event. We can accept cash, credit/debit cards and personal checks. Fund Drives are equally important to our mission.



VIRTUAL FOOD DRIVES

Organize a virtual food drive and donate money using our Amazon wishlist instead of buying groceries.



Start **Planning** Your Food Drive:

Once you have chosen the method that works best for you, here are some steps to get started:

Register Online

Please complete and submit the form on our website. You can find this form by going to the homepage of our website (<https://fccdinc.org>), clicking on “Ways to Help” and navigating down to the “Host a Food Drive” section.

Make A Plan

Decide on the dates for your drive, and the location for collections. A drive can last for a specific day or for even better results, they can last for 1-2 weeks.

Promote Your Drive

Promote your drive early and often to build excitement and momentum. Share your goal and why it matters through email, social media, and flyers to reach as many people as possible. Make it easy for supporters to participate by clearly listing most-needed items or providing a direct link to your virtual drive.

Deliver Your Items

If dropping off items, our donation hours are Monday – Saturday 10:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Please call (904) 379-8383 the day before delivering your food to schedule a time for drop-off. Donations cannot be accepted when the kitchen is closed. We are located at 525 N. Newman St., Jacksonville, FL 32202.

NOTE: We can pick up food drive collections of 600 cans or more. Please provide your pick-up details when registering your drive.

***The first step you take today
feeds someone tomorrow.***



Every **great impact**
begins with one
simple step





Most Needed Items

- Canned goods- corn, green beans, carrots, tomatoes, fruit
- Bread- Loaves, hamburger, hotdog
- Beef/chicken broth
- Rice- white, yellow, etc.
- Sauces- spaghetti sauce, Alfredo's, individual sauce packets
- Pasta noodles- elbow, spaghetti, fettuccine, rotini
- Seasonings- salt, pepper, garlic powder, onion powder, paprika



Additional Needed Items

- Bags of flour
- Bags of sugar
- Cooking oil spray
- Condiments: Ketchup, Mustard, Barbeque Sauce
- Shelf Stable Milk: Dairy, Condensed, Evaporated, Almond, Soy



Non-Food Items

- Large aluminum pans
- Paper towels
- Dish soap

Frequently Asked Questions

✓ **Q: What's the best way to help FCCD/Serving the Block?**

A: We are always grateful for food donations, and monetary donations can provide an even greater return.

✓ **Q: Can people donate by credit/debit cards?**

A: Yes. They can be entered via our website: <https://fccdinc.org/donate/>
Or they can simply text SERVE to 50155

✓ **Q: Can you accept homemade items?**

A: No, unfortunately, we can only accept sealed items.

✓ **Q: Do you come to collect donations?**

A: Due to the costs involved, we do not typically collect donations. See the "Host a Food Drive" page for more information about delivery and large collections.



Q: As a student, can I earn community service hours for holding a food drive?

A: Yes. Keep track of the time you spend planning, collecting and delivering. We can credit up to six hours per person, per drive if at least 120lbs or \$120 are donated. If you work with a friend, you will need to collect twice that amount. Hours must be verified by a parent, guardian or teacher.