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FOR INFORMATION CALL

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August 19, 2021

Ald. Cavalier Johnson  
(414) 286-3591

## Grocery gift cards, free food available to those impacted by power outages

Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin and the City of Milwaukee are teaming up to support those who lost power last week as a result of storms by offering **FREE** grocery gift cards and food starting this weekend. **Common Council President Cavalier Johnson** urges residents citywide to take advantage of this offering.

“I want to thank Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin for stepping up to provide such crucial support to the many who lost power, in some instances for days, and had to throw away food in the process,” Alderman Johnson said. “A number of the food distribution sites are in the 2nd district, and I would encourage the residents that I represent, and those across the city, to utilize this resource if they are in need.”

Grocery gift card distribution will take place tomorrow – Friday, August 20 from 6 a.m. – 10 a.m. at the following Pick ‘N Save locations:

- 1100 E. Garfield Ave
- 7401 W. Good Hope Rd.
- 250 W. Holt Ave.

1,000 gift cards will be available at each location, will be limited to one per household, and are first come, first serve while supplies last. Residents are asked to bring proof from We Energies that their power went out and can obtain such letter by contacting We Energies. There will also be support on-site to help verify addresses that suffered from loss of power.

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## **Food Support/ADD ONE**

Beginning Saturday, August 21 and running through Thursday, August 26 there will also be food distribution at select locations in Milwaukee. All distributions are first come, first serve while supplies last. The dates, times and locations include:

- Greater New Birth, 8237 W. Silver Spring Dr. from 7 – 11 a.m. on Saturday, August 21
- UMOS, 2701 S. Chase Ave. from 1 – 4 p.m. on Monday, August 23
- Children’s Hospital Midtown Clinic, 5433 W. Fond Du Lac Ave. from 8 a.m. – noon on Tuesday, August 24
- WestCare E.A.T.S. Harambee Community Center, 335 W. Wright St. from 9 a.m. – noon on Wednesday, August 25
- Hope Lutheran Pantry, 1115 N. 35<sup>th</sup> St. from 9 a.m. – noon on Thursday, August 26.

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**DID YOU LOSE POWER  
LAST WEEK AND THROW  
YOUR FOOD AWAY?**



**HAVING TROUBLE REPLACING THE FOOD THAT YOU LOST?**



**FEEDING AMERICA  
EASTERN WISCONSIN and  
the CITY OF MILWAUKEE  
are partnering to help.**



**We will be hosting distributions of PICK-N-SAVE GIFT CARDS and FREE FOOD**

## **GIFT CARD DISTRIBUTIONS**

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 20**  
6:00 AM – 10:00 AM

**Pick n Save**

1100 E. Garfield Ave.  
Milwaukee, WI 53212

7401 W. Good Hope  
Milwaukee, WI 53223

250 W. Holt  
Milwaukee, WI 53207

### **HOW IT WORKS:**

- 1,000 grocery store gift cards will be available at each location
- Please bring identification and proof from We Energies that your power went out. No exceptions.
- One per household
- First come, first served while supplies last

## **FOOD DISTRIBUTIONS**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 21**  
7:00 AM – 11:00 am  
Greater New Birth  
8237 West Silver Spring  
Milwaukee, WI 53218

**MONDAY, AUGUST 23**  
1:00 PM – 4:00 PM  
UMOS  
2701 S Chase Ave  
Milwaukee, WI 53207

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 24**  
8:00 AM – NOON  
Children's Hospital  
Mid-Town Clinic  
5433 W Fond Du Lac Ave  
Milwaukee, WI 53216

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25**  
9:00 AM – NOON  
WestCare E.A.T.S.  
Harambee Community  
Center  
335 West Wright Street  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53212

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 26**  
9:00 AM – NOON  
Hope Lutheran Pantry  
1115 N 35th St  
Milwaukee, WI 53208

All distributions are first come, first served while supplies last.



**FeedingAmericaWI.org**

# FoodShare is the largest anti-hunger program in the United States.



For every **ONE** meal Feeding America provides...



... FoodShare provides **NINE**



FoodShare allows people to **get out of the pantry line...**



... and into the **grocery store**



FoodShare helps the local economy because dollars are usually **SPENT IN THE COMMUNITY WHERE THEY ARE RECEIVED**

**FoodShare** continues with or without a public health emergency. To apply for FoodShare, visit [access.wisconsin.gov/access](https://www.access.wisconsin.gov/access)

## SUMMER STORMS ARE COMMON IN WISCONSIN

If you receive FoodShare, and had food spoil because of a storm-related power outage, you can have the food replaced. FoodShare members should contact their local agency to request replacement benefits. Replacement benefits are issued for the amount of food lost, up to the amount of benefits already issued for the month.

**HURRY! You have 10 days from when you lost power to request Replacement FoodShare benefits.**

Fill out the form found online and submit it to your agency:  
<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/forms/f0/f00330.pdf>

### WE CAN HELP!

Reach out to Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin for help with FoodShare at [info@FeedingAmericaWI.org](mailto:info@FeedingAmericaWI.org).