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MEDIA ADVISORY
In Need of Food for Food Assistance Program

WHAT: The Salvation Army is in need of food for Harrison, Hancock, Pearl River and Stone Counties for their food assistance programs. The Salvation Army has assisted 1,535 families with food from our pantry in the past 6 months and needs to restock the pantry.

WHO: The Salvation Army is asking for help to stock the food pantry from individuals, groups or companies. Donations are accepted at 2019 22nd Street Gulfport MS 39501 or at 575 Division Street Biloxi, MS 39530.

If your group or organization would like to arrange a food drive, please call Sergeant Jerry Casey at 228- 374-8301.

WHEN: Now- Wednesday, June 1

WHERE: The Salvation Army Social Services for Hancock, Harrison, Pearl River and Stone counties are served through the Mississippi Gulf Coast Area Command office located in Gulfport at
2019 22nd Street
Gulfport, MS 39501

Food drives, so far are being held at Wal-Mart's in Gulfport, D' Iberville, Biloxi, and Pass Christian.

WHY: Our Food Assistance program is designed to provide food to individuals, families and the homeless community; who have expressed a need for food assistance and have met all Salvation Army's set criteria.

Food Pantry Opens:

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday – 8:30 AM

Monday, Wednesday: 1:30 PM

The pantry is open at the times above and closes when we have reached capacity for that time period.

Availability:

Ages 18 – 65 – May receive food from the pantry once every three months.

Ages 65 and up – May receive food from the pantry once every three months.

Homeless clients may receive food once a week on Fridays.

The Salvation Army also serves food, snacks, and drinks from our mobile kitchen, called a Canteen, during and after disasters, most recently during the floods along the coast of Mississippi and Louisiana. We also provide food bags, hot coffee, and snacks for the homeless every week. Your food donation will go a long way in “Doing the Most Good” at The Salvation Army.

HOW: For interviews or additional information please contact Morgan Shiyou, Public Relations & Marketing Director, The Salvation Army at 228-234-1253 or Morgan.Shiyou@uss.salvationarmy.org

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ABOUT: The Salvation Army, an evangelical part of the Universal Christian Church, has been supporting those in need in His name without discrimination since 1865. Over 31 million Americans receive assistance from The Salvation Army each year through the broadest array of social services that range from providing food for the hungry, relief for disaster victims, assistance for the disabled, outreach to the elderly and ill, clothing and shelter to the homeless and opportunities for underprivileged children. About 83 cents of every dollar raised is used to support those services in more than 5,000 communities nationwide.