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# NEWS RELEASE

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### FOOD RESCUE DRIVERS NEEDED

Hays County -- February 8, 2018

Drivers are an integral part of Hays County Food Bank's (HCFB) operations. This elite crew of volunteers rescues food seven days a week and delivers it to distributions for residents who are in need. Current drivers are spread thin, as it is a very small group who divides the typical 17 driving shifts between them. It is the food bank's hope that more volunteers will want to sign up to help with food transportation.



#### **Qualifications of a Driver**

Volunteers who wish to help with rescue and distribution of food must be at least 18 years of age, have a valid Texas Drivers License, and have no driving infractions in the past three years. Drivers must also take an online driving course and complete a ride-along with a staff member or HCFB volunteer driver. Training will be provided. No special drivers license is required to operate our vans.

#### **Typical Shift of a Driver**

Food rescue shifts generally take place in the morning and food distribution shifts in the afternoon. Driving shifts are typically only 2 - 4 hours long.

Recurring drivers are a big help, as the food bank can depend on them from week to week. The food bank hopes organizations will want to adopt them, i.e. provide one driver for a specific shift each week.

If you are interested in becoming a driver and have never volunteered with the food bank before, please fill out our online application form at [www.haysfoodbank.org](http://www.haysfoodbank.org). Under 'Get Involved,' choose Volunteer Application. Email Jessica Cruz at [JCruz@haysfoodbank.org](mailto:JCruz@haysfoodbank.org) once

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you have completed the application and let her know you would like to become a driver. You can also call her at (512) 392-8300 x222. If you are a member of an organization and would like to look into becoming a recurring driver/group of drivers, please let Jessica know.

*In 2017, Hays County Food Bank and its 20+ partner agencies distributed 791,838 pounds of food to an average of 2,022 food insecure individuals each week. These residents were senior citizens, children, and many others facing economic challenges. "Food insecurity" refers to the availability of food and one's access to it. Hays County Food Bank is a not-for-profit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the public to perform its mission. For more information, please visit [haysfoodbank.org](http://haysfoodbank.org) or visit us on Facebook or Twitter at @HaysFoodBank.*

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